



Running for their lives
The Saint Mary's track and field team competes in its last meet before being nixed as a varsity sport at the College.
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FACULTY SENATE

Members expect to disband

◆ Senate approval of resolution tonight may not result in group's end

By JASON McFARLEY
 News Editor

After a month to reflect on the issue, members of the Faculty Senate will likely vote tonight to dissolve the body.

Senators will consider a resolution to disband at the group's 7 p.m. meeting in McKenna Hall. And while senate leaders say they're uncertain in which direction members are leaning on the measure, the prevailing sentiment is that the senate has become ineffective and discounted.

"Nearly everyone I've talked to

thinks there is a value to the senate," said Jean Porter, senate chair. "But I don't think we have enough respect from the administration or sufficient support from faculty to continue on our present course."

About a month ago, when she proposed the resolution to dissolve the 50-member senate, Porter cited waning support from colleagues and a lack of respect from Notre Dame administrators as reasons to consider disbanding the group.

The resolution, introduced at the senate's April 3 meeting, calls for an amendment to the University's



Porter

Academic Articles. It would strike Article IV Section 3 of the Academic Articles and would have the effect of dissolving the senate.

But passage of the resolution tonight would not necessarily signal the senate's end.

University policy dictates that the senate can only recommend changes in the Academic Articles. Thus, if accepted by senators tonight, the measure would still need approval by the Academic Council, University President Father Edward Malloy and the Board of Trustees.

Also, at tonight's meeting, the 2000-2001 Faculty Senate will adjourn for the last time and six new senators will be seated. According to senate bylaws, the 2001-2002 members could choose to

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Board clears accused sex assaulter

By MYRA McGRUFF
 Saint Mary's Editor

A Saint Mary's student accused of female-female sexual assault has been found not-guilty by a special advisory board, according to the alleged victim.

The victim alleges she was sexually assaulted by another Saint Mary's student on March 22. The alleged victim and the accused both attended a Le Mans Hall party where alcohol was consumed by both students from 11 p.m. March 21 until 2 a.m., according to the alleged victim. The alleged victim returned to her room at 4 a.m. on March 22 escorted by the accused, according to the alleged victim.

The alleged victim returned to her room at 4 a.m. on March 21 escorted by the accused, according to the alleged victim. She awoke in the early hours of March 22 and claims her escort was sexually assaulting her. A security report viewed by The Observer states the alleged victim was not intoxicated at the time of the assault. It is not stated whether the accused was intoxicated at the time of the assault.

"They asked if there was any way that I could have made it up or if it could have been a dream. They asked what my sexual orientation was and if the bruises were self-inflicted."

After reporting the incident to campus security March 26, the incident was referred to Dana North, director of residence life, according to the alleged victim. The alleged victim did not file charges with South Bend Police Department.

North compiled a written statement based on reports filed by the alleged victim with Campus Security and College Health Services, the alleged victim said. This statement was presented to the alleged victim on March 30 in a meeting with North. On April 5, North questioned the alleged victim in another meeting, the alleged victim said. North telephoned the alleged victim on April 11 to say North would be unable to make a decision on her own, and she would convene an advisory board to pursue potential disciplinary action, according to the alleged victim. She also said North told her the incident would be resolved before Easter break.

The board would include two students, two administrators and two faculty members, according to the alleged victim. After the meetings with North, the alleged victim said she attempted to contact North several times to determine if the meeting had been scheduled but was

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2 guys, a dream and a burrito place

ND grad teams with friend to form late-night restaurant

By COLLEEN McCARTHY
 Senior Staff Writer

It all began with a burrito addiction. For John Schreiber and Griffin Collins, the owners of South Bend's Boracho Burrito restaurant, their love affair with the burrito began when they were sophomores in high school. As soon as they had their drivers licenses, they began driving 45 minutes from their homes to a burrito restaurant in a Chicago suburb.

When Collins, a 1999 Notre Dame graduate began school at the University, he was suffering from burrito withdrawal after not being able to find a restaurant selling burritos like those he knew from home.

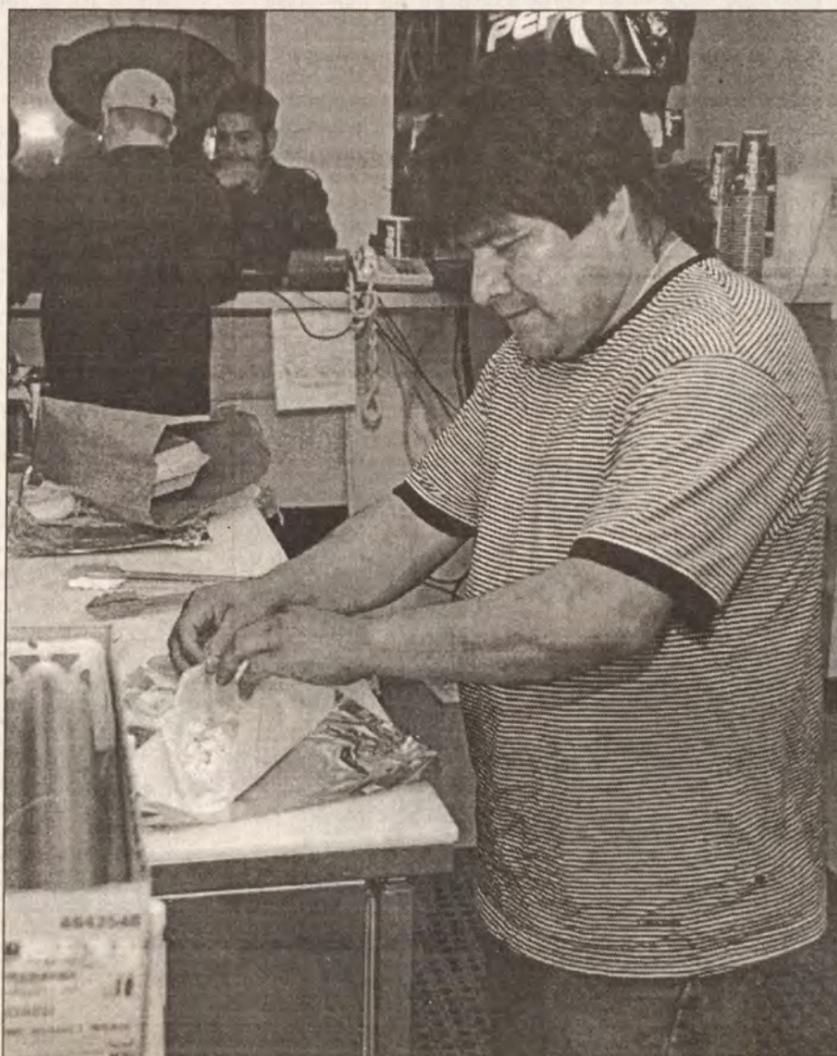
"When Griffin would come home from Notre Dame, we would be going to the burrito place all the time. It was in a shady neighborhood but it was open 24-7, 365 days a year," said Schreiber. "It was burritos for breakfast, lunch and dinner when he [Griffin] was home because he didn't have a place to go for burritos when he was in South Bend."

The lack of a place to get a good burrito led to what is fast becoming the late night hangout for the bar crowd after "last call" — "Boracho Burrito."

During his senior year at Notre Dame, Collins took a class in entrepreneurship. The class required him to create a business plan for a class project. Although Collins mapped out a business plan for what would later become "Boracho Burrito," Collins and Schreiber had thought of creating such a business long before.

Frustrated after a stint in the corpo-

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JOSE CUELLAR/The Observer

A worker prepares a specialty dish at Boracho Burrito. The restaurant was established by 1999 Notre Dame graduate Griffin Collins and friend John Schreiber, who combined a love of burritos with the corporate world.

INSIDE COLUMN

Thanks

One year ago, on the second to last page of this newspaper, Jeff Beam made a farewell cartoon showing a student, hard at work and thinking to himself, "For the past four years, I've worked too much, partied too hard, and slept too little. Man, if I could do it all over again ... I wouldn't change a thing."

The title of his cartoon, "Thank You," was just as fitting.

So in this, probably my last column that will ever be printed, I want to thank everyone that has made these last four years some of the best.

I want to first thank my parents. A little disclaimer to all of you, grab a Spanish-English dictionary, you'll need it. And another thing, I do not use accents.

Gracias por todo. La verdad es que no se como estos ultimos años volaron y pasaron tan rapido. Pero eso si, Si se pudo! Quiero llegar a casa y que haya mariachi. No se como podria haber terminado sin ustedes. Mami, Papi, Brenda, Breny y toda mi familia ... Gracias.

Back to English ...

I want to thank all of my professors for encouraging me. For giving me guidance and for listening when I needed your help.

I want to thank everyone working for this publication. It has been a great experience and the long nights, well, will not be missed. Thanks for the dinners, the parties and the trips. You helped a 21-year-old feel six again and cross off one of the items on my Things-to-do-before-I-was-30 list.

Finally I want to thank every single one of my friends. I cannot name everyone. That would take up too much space.

Funny how I say that now, someone back home once told me that I would never make any friends and that I would end up hating this place.

I was even told that I would end up dropping out. Poop on them.

Anyway, thank you all for the jokes, the puns, the laughs, the tears and enough pictures to make one go nuts. The crazy random nights that ended up with a drop-off of shame. I'll never forget the trips to Meijer's, Denny's, Heartland, Boracho's, Fajita Rita Mondays and all those places that made the last four years special.

I also want to thank those who invited me to their home. I especially want to thank the Allens for adopting me freshman year.

To those that know me better than I know myself (and you know who you are), without you, this year might have had a turn for the worse. I found the courage to trust you and I am lucky I was not disappointed. It has been the first time that someone was actually looking out for me. It means so much that you care.

To any one reading this, you might think this is weird and I understand. At the end of it all you too will end up thinking about the same thing. And maybe you too will be crazy enough to tell the world that you are thankful for everything.

Life will never be the same. And that's a good thing. I want it to change. I do not worry about the future. I don't need to, I am having too much fun.

Before I leave in May, I plan to enjoy the rest of my time here. It is a great feeling knowing that I will not be alone.

Oh, and if you go to Boracho Burrito, tell Griffin you want a Yahili; they're awesome. Oh and tell them that Scott and Jose sent you.

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



Jose Cuellar

Graphics Editor Emeritus

THIS WEEK ON CAMPUS

Wednesday

◆ **Exhibit:** Student Art Exhibition, O'Shaughnessy Galleries, all day.
◆ **Prayer:** Interfaith Christian Night Prayer, Walsh Hall Chapel, 10 p.m.

Thursday

◆ **Concert:** Symphony Orchestra Spring Concert, Washington Hall, 8 p.m.
◆ **Concert:** Acoustic Cafe, LaFortune Student Center, 10 p.m.
◆ **Movie:** "Family Man," DeBartolo 101, 10:30 p.m.

Friday

◆ **Concert:** Swing Dance - The Tom Milo Band, Joyce Center, 7 p.m.
◆ **Mass:** Chapel of Notre Dame Our Mother Mass, Coleman Center, 8 p.m.

Saturday

◆ **Workshop:** Faith and Learning Workshop, McKenna Hall, 9 a.m.
◆ **Movie:** "Pay It Forward," DeBartolo 155, 10:30 p.m.

OUTSIDE THE DOME

Compiled from U-Wire reports

Riots at Ohio State U. damage reputation

COLUMBUS, Ohio

Weekend rioting not only puts students health and safety at risk but is ruining the prestige and reputation of Ohio State University and the marketability of its students.

Ohio State took great measures to educate students and party organizers on safe and appropriate party behavior prior to Saturday night's festivities. Educational campaigns were implemented to instill pride in students and the place that they call home, said Undergraduate Student Government President Ryan Robinson.

"It is a programming and educational effort to work with party hosts to have them keep their parties under control," said CGS President Ron Meyers.

Members of the program met with



party hosts on April 24 from seven houses on 13th Avenue and they signed up nine of the parties. The hosts agreed to fence the parties, have sober hosts and have a doorman.

"To keep the parties under control, the hosts agreed to remove unwanted guests and check IDs. If the hosts would like someone to leave, they could call the police and the police would come and they won't bust the

party," Meyers said.

Meyers said the hosts met with the police on Thursday. "The police worked out with students to keep parties under control, cooperate with police and keep the streets clear," Meyers said.

"Students seem to have a mob mentality where one person does something, everyone follows that person and then people think that as a group they become less accountable for their actions," said Melissa Koch, USG vice president-elect.

"Our behavior is a direct indication of the education and degree we as students are receiving," Koch said.

"I myself am frustrated because I graduate this quarter and my degree and education is being punished by a few people," she said.

PENN STATE UNIVERSITY

President discusses racism

UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa.

On a Pennsylvania Cable Network show Monday night, Pennsylvania State University President Graham Spanier and two state legislators participated in a panel discussion about racism at Penn State, students' safety and the repercussions recent events may have on minority enrollment. "Racism has always existed at a university like ours, and Penn State has been no exception," Spanier said. The show aired as students remained camped out where they have been since Tuesday night. The sit-in, which participants have dubbed 'the village,' came after a racist death threat was sent to Black Caucus President Lakeisha Wolf. Wolf participated in the live call-in discussion at one point in the evening, telling her view of the events at last Tuesday's "No Hate at Penn State" rally. One of the show's first callers, who identified herself as the vice president of a minority student association at a Penn State branch campus, asked the group if they thought the threatening letters would drive minorities away from the university.

HARVARD UNIVERSITY

Rally draws AFL-CIO president

CAMBRIDGE, Mass.

Supporters of a living wage staged the largest rally in the Yard in more than a decade Monday, as the occupants of Mass. Hall continued their 12-day sit-in and administrators worked behind the scenes to establish a new committee to review Harvard University's wage structure. The 45-minute rally lived up to its billing as "unprecedented," attracting a crowd of about 1,100 to hear AFL-CIO President John J. Sweeney offer the Progressive Student Labor Movement (PSLM) a "message of support." Lynne Lyman, student body president of the Kennedy School of Government, left Mass. Hall during the noon rally, 12 days, 22 hours and 58 minutes after entering the building. Lyman's departure leaves about 30 students inside, down from the 48 who entered the building two weeks ago Wednesday. "I hear space in tent city is filling up fast, and I wanted to get out and reserve a spot on Justice Avenue before they were all gone," Lyman told the cheering crowd.

LOCAL WEATHER

5 Day South Bend Forecast
AccuWeather® forecast for daytime conditions and high temperatures

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Thursday	72	52
Friday	72	50
Saturday	70	50
Sunday	73	53
Monday	74	55

NATIONAL WEATHER

The AccuWeather® forecast for noon, Wednesday, May 2.
Lines separate high temperature zones for the day.

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City	High	Low	City	High	Low	City	High	Low
Atlanta	76	60	Las Vegas	94	66	Portland	71	50
Baltimore	79	58	Memphis	78	61	Sacramento	81	55
Boston	75	61	Milwaukee	73	57	St. Louis	85	63
Chicago	80	62	New York	78	61	Tampa	80	67
Houston	80	66	Philadelphia	82	60	Washington DC	80	60

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Campus buildings to open as scheduled in fall

Observer Staff Report

When students return to campus next fall, construction will be finished on the new Malloy Philosophy/Theology Hall and the Hayes-Healey-Hurley complex and new construction and planning will be in progress.

The Malloy Philosophy/Theology Hall, located between Decio and O'Shaughnessy Hall, will house the offices of Theology and Philosophy faculty and graduate students. The Hayes-Healey Center and Hurley Hall, which have been undergoing renovation, were formerly home to the College of Business Administration and most recently administrative offices during the renovation of the Main Building. When the buildings reopen this fall, they will contain the offices for the departments of math and international relations, in addition to classrooms.

While these construction projects are completed, three additional projects will begin during the summer or next year. There will be additions onto Stepan Chemistry Hall and the Hesburgh Center for International Studies. Construction of the new Marie DeBartolo Performing Arts Center on the DeBartolo quad will also begin.

During the next year, the University will work the Ayers/Saint/Gross architectural firm to update the campus' master plan. During the update of the master plan, future building placement, open space, campus landscaping and academic space planning will be considered. The process, which was last completed during 1994, will take 12 to 18 months to complete.

A major issue to be investigated during the drafting of this master plan is pedestrian traffic across Juniper road. Since this issue was last studied almost 15 years ago,

the Pasquerilla Center, Band Building, Fischer Graduate Residences, Early Childhood Development Center, Eck Baseball Stadium and Rolfs Recreation Center, as well as new parking areas were all constructed, requiring students and faculty to cross Juniper Road to reach the new buildings from the main part of campus. Currently there are more than 20,000 pedestrian crossings of Juniper a day.

When construction begins on the new science teaching facility in 2003, the number of daily crossings is expected to increase to 40,000. In reaching a solution to increase the safety of pedestrians and drivers, the University will solicit the opinions of the members of the University community who cross the road and community members who drive on Juniper. The University expects to present local officials a plan of action for Juniper by the end of the summer.



SARAH FUCHS/The Observer

University officials expect construction of Malloy Philosophy/Theology Hall to be completed this fall. The building will house faculty offices.

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Burrito

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rate world after graduation, Griffin called up Schreiber and proposed opening what became Boracho Burrito in South Bend.

"At the time, I was running a night club in Chicago and Griffin was working in corporate America," said Schreiber. "He [Collins] didn't like having a boss and having people to answer to so when he called me up, I think we were both ready to get away from what we were currently doing."

What followed was a process of scouting locations in South Bend for the restaurant that began in February 2000 as well as meetings with various people from the area.

"It took quite a while to get it [Boracho Burrito] up and running," said Schreiber. "Last summer we spent the whole summer making phone calls in the morning and golfing in the afternoons and then if people hadn't called us back we would call them back in the evening. We averaged about one meeting a day. Last summer was great because we really improved our golf games."

However, after checking nine potential sites to use for the restaurant and being denied for various reasons from landlords to neighbors to septic tanks, Schreiber and Collins found the restaurant's current location at 1724 N. Ironwood Drive and began construction on the restaurant on Nov. 8. Construction ended Feb. 15.

"All the locations were around campus and Turtle Creek apartments," said Schreiber. "This location is actually of all that we checked out, the farthest away from campus."

The restaurant officially opened for business on Feb. 18 but was not open for full hours. Schreiber and Collins consider Feb. 19 their first official day of business. Currently they are open Wednesday through Saturday from 11 a.m. to 4 a.m. and Sunday through Tuesday from 11 a.m. to 2 a.m.

They've kept the menu at the restaurant simple and inexpensive to cater to the late night, after-bar crowd.

"We took our favorite burrito recipes from all the places that we went to in Chicago," said Schreiber. "We give people a lot of food and keep it inexpensive because we know they don't have a lot of money."

According to Schreiber, the burritos never fall below 1.5 pounds and if ordered with extra meat can top the two-pound mark. Besides burritos (\$4.25), the menu also features quesadillas and tacos.

Coming up with the name for the restaurant was the easy part.

"When I was working in a club in Chicago, we had a guy who called all the patrons 'boracho' which means drunk in Spanish," said Schreiber. "There are a lot of different interpretations for the meaning of the name because first of all, a lot of our clientele after a certain time of night is 'boracho' or drunk. But also, the size of the burritos will leave you burrito drunk. When you put one of those burritos down, it will knock you out and you will need a nap."

Schreiber and Collins also ran into conflicting spellings of the word 'boraccho' which they learned that depending where one is from, it can be spelled with two 'r's' or one 'r'.

"We decided to go with the one 'r' spelling because we thought it would be easier to pronounce and also because it was one less letter we had to pay for the sign," said Schreiber.

The only problem Schreiber sees with the name is that "we may have a problem sponsoring a little league team," he said.

Since the restaurant opened, Boracho Burrito has been Schreiber's and Collins' life. With five other employees who do the cooking, either Schreiber or Collins is at the restaurant each day working the cash register. This means they each work at least five 12-hour days and one 16- to 17-hour day per week.

"For now, this is my life," said Schreiber. "My father is a cardiologist and we actually talked to him about how to work out our schedules for hours we are working because the hours we are putting in are similar to what he did during his residency. What we have worked out now is good because it affords us each one-day away and that helps quite a bit. In the beginning before we each started having one day away from here, we were starting to get burned out and getting short with the customers."

Schreiber and Collins first day off came on Easter Sunday. They ordered pizza.

Still, the pair say working more than 10 hours a week at their own burrito restaurant has not left them repulsed at the mere sight of a burrito.

"I could never get sick of burritos," said Schreiber. "A while ago I went six months eating a burrito every day. When I get sick of chicken burritos then I switch to steak burritos and you can have a chorizo and egg burrito for breakfast."

Both Schreiber and Collins site the stress that has come with the restaurant as the most difficult thing they have faced since opening the restaurant. Schreiber lost 41 pounds in seven weeks, he said.

"It was just stress and all the work and being too stressed to eat," said Schreiber. "It's really difficult working all the hours and still being as friendly as you can. It's more than that though. It's also the stress of building a successful business. You want the food to be good and you want the customers to keep coming back so there are a lot of things to worry about."

"We definitely had a good idea of what we were getting into and that we would be working this many hours but I just thought I would be able to handle it a lot easier," said Schreiber.

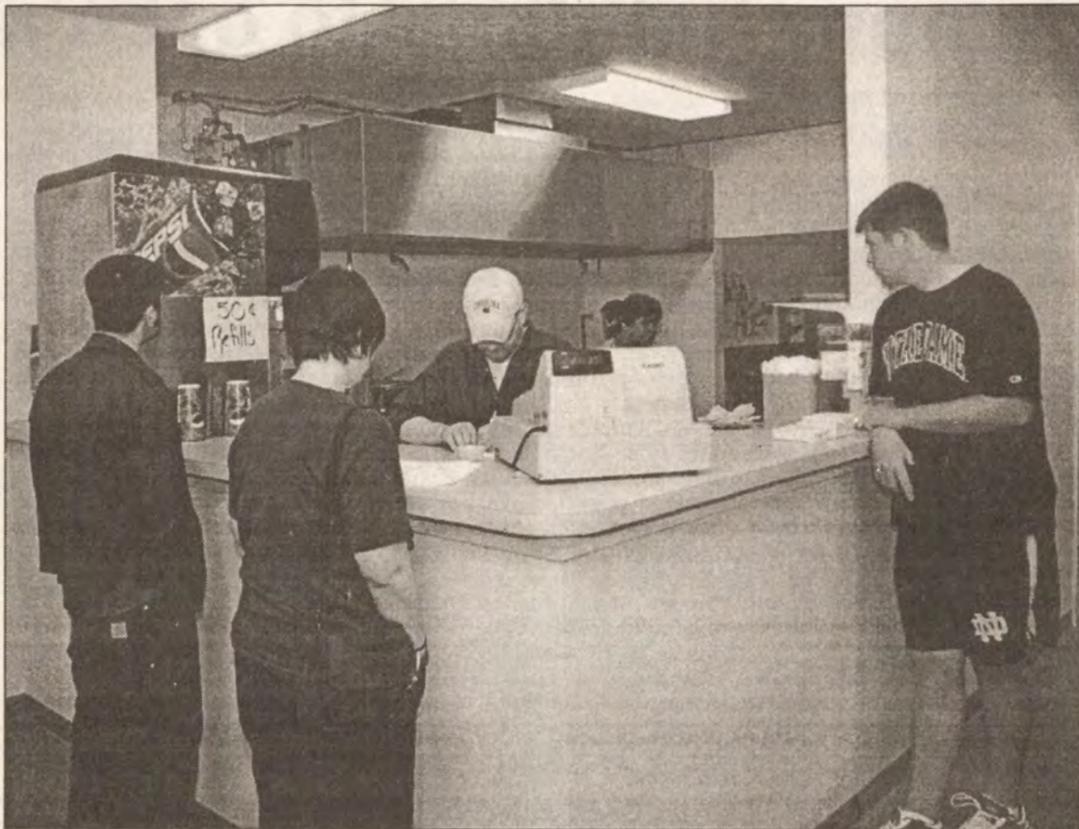
Nevertheless, neither Schreiber nor Collins has regrets.

"The best thing is that I am my own boss. That's the best thing by far," said Collins.

Schreiber estimates 60 percent of the restaurant's business comes from area college students. Enter Boracho Burrito on a Thursday, Friday, or Saturday night after 2:30 a.m. and Schreiber's statistic is proven.

"Between 2:30 a.m. and 4 a.m. are our busiest hours on Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights," said Schreiber. "It's not unusual to see a line going out the door. It's been so busy that with the five booths we have in the restaurant there have been six people sitting in a booth plus people sitting on the floor eating."

Dealing with the somewhat intoxicated crowd hasn't been too difficult, according to Schreiber and Collins.



JOSE CUELLAR/The Observer

Boracho Burrito opened at its current location at 1724 N. Ironwood Drive in February. Founders and owners Griffin Collins and John Schreiber turned their boyhood love of the popular Mexican dish into a business that has obtained a loyal clientele.

"For the most part, they're entertaining," said Collins.

During one late weekend night, no one could hear Collins calling out the order numbers because half of the restaurant would yell 'boracho' and the other half yelled 'burrito', said Schreiber.

"I would describe that particular crowd as being rambunctious, but not violent," said Schreiber.

Boracho Burrito has also developed a crowd of regular customers ranging from college students to cops.

"We've developed some great regulars," said Schreiber. "I

have one guy who has come in for 15 days in a row ordering a chicken burrito with no cheese. We also get a lot of cops who come in. Sometimes they order out and it seems like they are ordering out food for the whole station. Some of them come in and have their favorite booth."

Another regular has been coined "steak quesadilla guy" or "red salsa guy" by Schreiber and Collins.

"He has come in at least eight times a week for over a month, and eight times a week is a conservative estimate," said Collins.

"Sometimes he will come in three times a day. He always

orders steak quesadillas with no tomatoes and always extra red salsa. We think he drinks the stuff. He might have some issues."

Future plans for Boracho Burrito include extending hours next school year on Tuesday through Saturdays until 5 a.m., eventually acquiring televisions, and sponsoring a contest with the Notre Dame art department to get a mural painted on one of the restaurant's walls.

"Eventually, we would like to see this become a chain," said Schreiber. "Of course we'd keep South Bend as the headquarters since this is the original Boracho



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WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Western India battles drought: Still recovering from a devastating earthquake, western India is now battling a drought that is hampering the region's economic recovery, officials said Tuesday. Gujarat and parts of neighboring Rajasthan state have been declared drought areas following two years of light monsoon rains.

Dutch plan drive-thru drug shops: Dutch authorities plan to open two drive-thru shops next year where "drug tourists" can legally buy marijuana and hashish. The officials in Venlo say they want to make it easier on Germans who flock to the southern Dutch border town for drugs by opening two coffee shops with drive-thrus selling drugs such as marijuana and hashish.

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

FBI Chief to retire: FBI Director Louis Freeh announced Tuesday he is retiring, cutting short a term marked by conflict over Clinton-era fund-raising allegations and the recent arrest of a veteran agent accused of spying. Freeh said he would leave by June, eight years into his 10-year term. The announcement came amid investigations into FBI security procedures following allegations that one of the bureau's senior counterintelligence agents, Robert Hanssen, had handed U.S. secrets to Moscow over a 15-year period.

Teachers walk out to protest funds: Angered by state education plans, teachers in Seattle and three suburban districts staged a one-day walkout Tuesday, shutting down classes for 70,000 students. "We're doing this because every day our students are being shortchanged," said John Dunn, president of the Seattle Education Association.

INDIANA NEWS BRIEFS

Governor supports charter schools: A bill that would allow charter schools to operate in Indiana could reopen the school door for some of the nearly 2,000 students expelled from classrooms in Lake County yearly. Governor Frank O'Bannon is expected to sign the legislation. Indiana will become the 38th state to allow charter schools, which are autonomous public schools that are not part of a larger district or under the control of a traditional school board.

CHINA



A U.S. Navy aircraft, like the one pictured here, was involved in a midair collision in international airspace with a fighter aircraft from China. The plane made an emergency landing at a military airfield on the island of Hainan, China.

AFP Photo

U.S. spy plane team arrives in China

Associated Press

HAIKOU

U.S. technicians arrived on the southern Chinese island of Hainan on Tuesday to figure out how to retrieve a damaged Navy spy plane stranded since colliding with a fighter jet.

The team from Lockheed Martin, the main builder of the EP-3E spy plane, will inspect the aircraft on Wednesday, Pentagon spokesman Navy Lt. Cmdr. Terry Sutherland said.

The plane is believed to be held at the Lingshui air base on Hainan, where it made an emergency land-

ing April 1 after the collision over the South China Sea.

The collision touched off a tense 11-day standoff between Beijing and Washington over the 24-member U.S. crew's return. The confrontation sent ties to their lowest point since the United States accidentally bombed the Chinese Embassy in Yugoslavia two years ago.

On Tuesday, departing U.S. Ambassador Joseph Prueher said the sooner the plane is returned to the United States, the sooner relations can mend.

"The airplane is sort of a corrosive element right

now in our relationship. It's a reminder of a hard spot, and we need to clean that up and get on with things," said Prueher, who played a key role in winning the U.S. crew's freedom.

Ending a 17-month tenure in Beijing, the ambassador spoke to reporters at Beijing's international airport before boarding a flight to the United States with his wife, Suzanne.

He expressed hope that China's allowing the U.S. inspection team to visit would speed efforts by the two countries to put the spy plane incident behind

them.

"I hope they'll get a look at it, make an assessment. That's what we have to do first and then get on to get that out," Prueher said.

The U.S. team will have to figure out how to get the \$80 million high-tech plane back to the United States -- whether it can be repaired and flown back or must be shipped back in pieces.

Accounts from both sides indicate the plane lost its nose cone and damaged at least one of its four propeller engines in the collision. The impact pushed the U.S. plane into an 8,000-foot dive before the pilot regained control.

Market Watch April 30

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NYSE: 634.683 -2.81
S&P 500: 1,249.46 -3.59

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SUN MICROSYSTEM (SUNW)	-1.50	-0.26	17.12
JDS UNIPHASE (JDSU)	+11.06	+2.13	21.39

Workers mark May Day with protests

Associated Press

BERLIN

Far-left demonstrators battled police in the streets of Berlin and Sydney on Tuesday, while hundreds of thousands of workers from Russia to Bangladesh marched in traditional May Day labor parades.

Proclaiming causes from anti-globalization to prisoners' rights, demonstrators marched, sang and occasionally scuffled with police in cities across Asia, Europe and Latin America.

Riot police in Berlin turned water cannons on hundreds of young anti-

capitalists activists who pelted them with bottles and rocks, smashed cars and threw up flaming street barricades.

On the other side of the city, jack-booted skinheads hoisted banners calling for foreigners' expulsion. Police ringed far-right marchers to protect them from counterdemonstrators blowing whistles and chanting "Nazis out."

Skinheads also rallied in several other German cities, including Frankfurt, where they clashed with leftists. About 150 demonstrators were arrested, police said.

Berlin authorities had banned anti-capitalist demonstrations this year in hopes of breaking the cycle of violence they say draws "riot tourists." But protesters ignored the ban: In one case, police said they confronted up to 6,000 people in a Berlin park.

"This is a revolutionary Labor Day and I'm demonstrating against the capitalist system," said Vincent Gephard, 23.

Backed by armored cars, police chased protesters through a square, dragging dozens of demonstrators away. About 150 people were arrested, police said.

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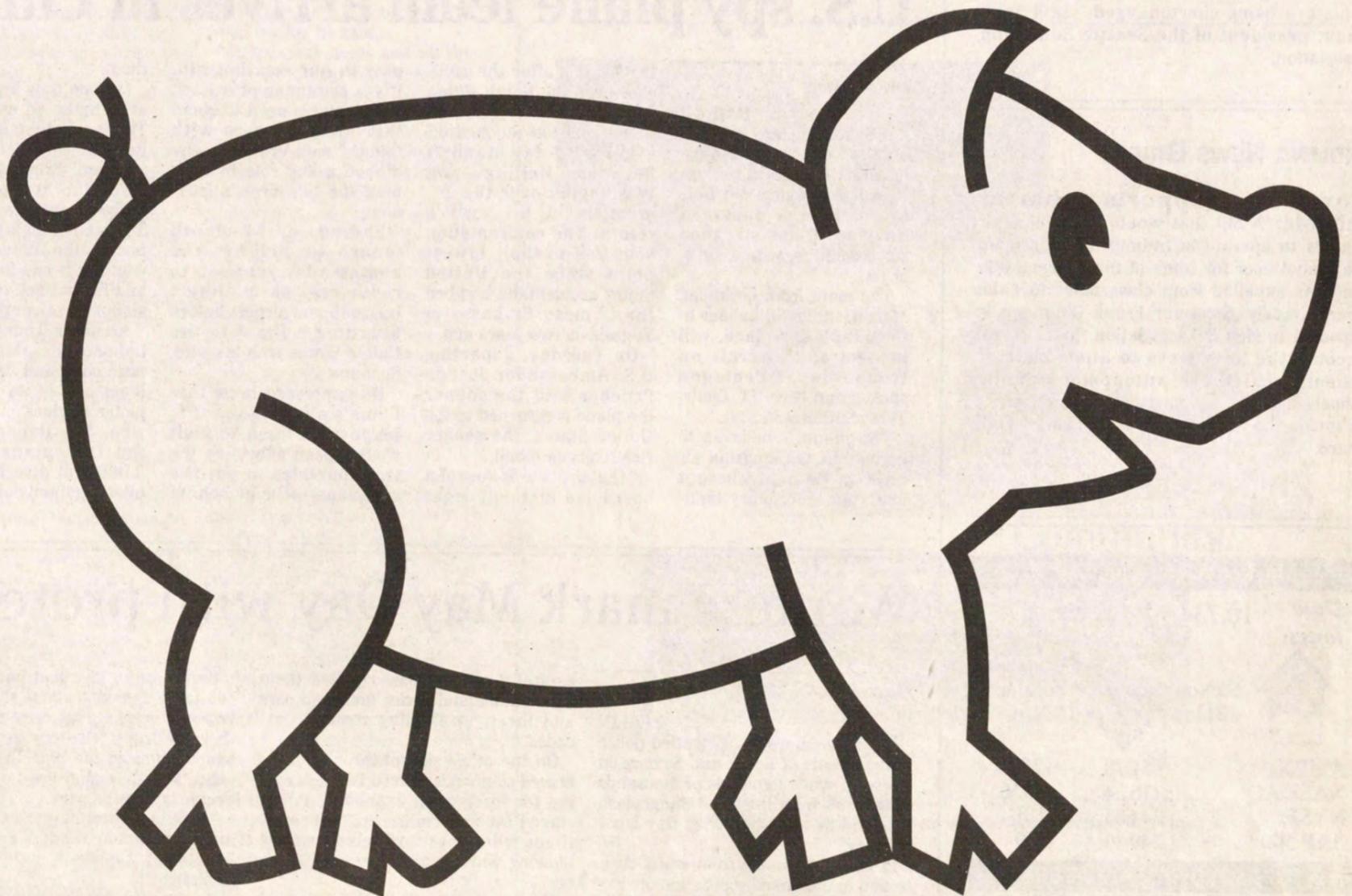
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Plans continue for dining hall

By MYRA McGRIFF
Saint Mary's Editor

Although Saint Mary's students will not see a new dining hall upon their return to campus this fall semester, scheduled planning for the project is continuing as planned.

Drawing bid documents over the summer, Keith Dennis, vice president of finance and administration, hopes ground breaking will happen at the earliest some-time in December 2001.

The committee hopes to draw up a bid and continue fundraising for the projected 18.5 million-dollar project. They hope to begin building

the new dining hall in September or October of 2001.

The new dining hall will sit kiddycorner from the existing dining hall, landing somewhere in the middle of LeMans parking lot. Depending exactly on where the building will be built, Dennis said new parking lots will have to be built.

"We'll be looking at different options for parking," said Dennis.

However, the dining hall is only the first stage of the Master building plan. Dennis says the projected time to complete the first phase is about 18 months from now.

On the completion of the dining hall project, the con-

struction of the new Student Center will mark the start of phase two of the Master Plan. Surrounding the center will be most of the offices and programs that now reside within Hagggar center. Included in these offices will be the SURV and campus ministry departments.

The completion of the Master Plan is dependent on having sufficient funds. Although the bid documents may be ready by September or October, the finances for the project may not be available. To prepare the financial budget, Dennis said the committee has already received permission from BOT [Board of Trustees] to pursue alternative finance options.

STUDENT SENATE

Moscona, members eye work for 2001-02

By ERIN LaRUFFA
News Writer

With its work for the 2000-2001 school year winding down, the Student Senate is already planning a long list of topics to address when it reconvenes in the fall. Plans involve everything from scholarships to social space to drinking water.

One area the Senate will work on is faculty service, tenure and promotion.

"Right now, students and faculty aren't encouraged to intermingle very much," said student body vice president Brian Moscona, who chairs the senate. Instead, according to Moscona, the University encourages professors to do research.

Moscona and Carroll Hall senator Jesse Flores agree that practice does not benefit students.

"The best way for us to learn is by interacting with our professors to learn from them," Moscona said.

Flores said the senate's University Affairs Committee, which he chairs, will investigate how professors go through the tenure process and how to increase student-faculty interaction.

Senators will also try to get excused absences for seniors so students can go to job interviews without being penalized in their classes.

"Companies don't operate on the weekends," Moscona said. "Teachers should be more understanding."

The senate will also research different aspects of financial aid, according to Moscona. Part of that research will focus on the possibility of creating scholarships based on academic merit, community service and leadership.

The senate also intends to look into funding for the College of Arts and Letters, Moscona and Flores said.

"They don't even have clocks in their building," said Moscona, referring to the College of Art and Letters' O'Shaughnessy Hall. He said that the senate wants to ensure "equality for all students, no matter what their major is."

"It's not fair for me as a business major to have ... first-class facilities, whereas if I were an Arts and Letters major, I would be stuck in O'Shaughnessy," Flores said. "We all pay the same tuition."

"There's so much money in the College of Business," said Moscona, adding that the College of Engineering will also soon be getting a new building.

Through its gender committee, the senate will work on improving resources for victims of sexual assault, Moscona said.

"Right not, we're trying to get a counselor hired to deal with sexual assault," he said. That same counselor, if hired, may also deal with eating disorders at Notre Dame.

Furthermore, the senate will also continue working to improve student body elections, according to Moscona.

"It was much better this year, but there's still room for improvement," he said.

Another major area the senate plans to work on next year is use of space in dorms and other University buildings. Flores explained senators want to find

out what campus space students are using and what they would like to see added.

For example, Moscona said senators have been talking about renovating the basement of LaFortune with the Student Activities Office, which controls the student center.

In addition, the senate would like to increase 24-hour space on North Quad, possibly by adding a Reckers-style restaurant to either LaFortune Student Center or North Dining Hall. The University will probably be building such a restaurant on North Quad within the next few years, Moscona said, but the senate would like to create something that students could use in the meantime.

Extending North Dining Hall's hours would also be more convenient for students on North Quad, according to Alumni Hall senator Matt LaFratta.

"We're trying to get North Dining Hall opened later hours during the week," he said. Currently, the facility closes at 7 p.m.

Another facility that figures into the senate's plans is the Joyce Center. Moscona said there is a possibility the University will make the JACC available for event planning in the coming year.

"That would definitely help us if we had that nice facility instead of Stepan," said Moscona.

The senate will also address accessibility to campus facilities for disabled students next year, according to Moscona.

"We want to make sure that everything is convenient for students with disabilities," he said.

Other senate initiatives next year will focus on issues within dorms.

For instance, the senate's Residents Life Committee will research water quality on campus, particularly in older dorms and buildings, according to LaFratta, a co-chair of the committee.

LaFratta said his committee will try to gain consistent access to dorms, so that any Notre Dame student can enter any dorm during non-parietal hours with a student ID card.

Another issue LaFratta would like to look into is having maids come into dorms on the weekends to clean bathrooms, although he added that he is not sure yet if the idea is "feasible."

"Usually on Saturday and Sunday morning, the bathrooms in some of the dorms are pretty bad," LaFratta said.

Phone solicitations are an additional topic the Senate hopes to address. LaFratta said he and Stanford senator Aldo Tesi will be meeting with Bill Kirk, assistant vice president of the Office of Residence Life, next week to discuss the subject.

Notre Dame students frequently receive phone calls from corporations, particularly credit card companies. LaFratta said he is not sure how companies get students' phone numbers.

Although he expects the senate to deal with numerous issues over the next school year, Moscona is confident that the group will accomplish a great deal of what it sets out to do.

"The role of a senator is very time consuming and people know that going into it. All of the senators are very dedicated," he said. "They're all excited about the year, and I am too."

Rakow urges off-campus safety

By JASON McFARLEY
News Editor

Criminals identify off-campus students as prime targets for victimization, Rex Rakow, director of Notre Dame Security/Police, said Tuesday.

At a 45-minute informational session, Rakow told students planning to move off campus in the fall that they will likely experience security concerns that were not part of their on-campus experience.

"It's important when you move off campus to know what's going on around you," Rakow said. "Students are prime victims for burglars, robbers and other criminals."

Rakow said students' structured schedules allow perpetrators to pick up on residents' pat-

terns of being home. Also, students' apartments and houses are often violated because they are left open to visitors and partygoers, he said.

Rakow recommended that students vary their routines and get to know their neighbors.

He also passed out pamphlets detailing safety when walking and driving and a women-only self-defense program sponsored by NDSP.

Rakow said being mindful of safety tips would not guarantee students' security.

"Despite all the precautions you take, you still can't ensure that nothing bad will happen to you," Rakow said.

The talk Tuesday followed the April 12 and 13 armed robberies of two off-campus student residences. The crimes took place at homes on East Howard Street and Turtle Creek Apartments and involved at least a dozen student victims at each residence.

The Office of the Student Body President sponsored Tuesday's session. Student government officials are planning a similar event in the fall.



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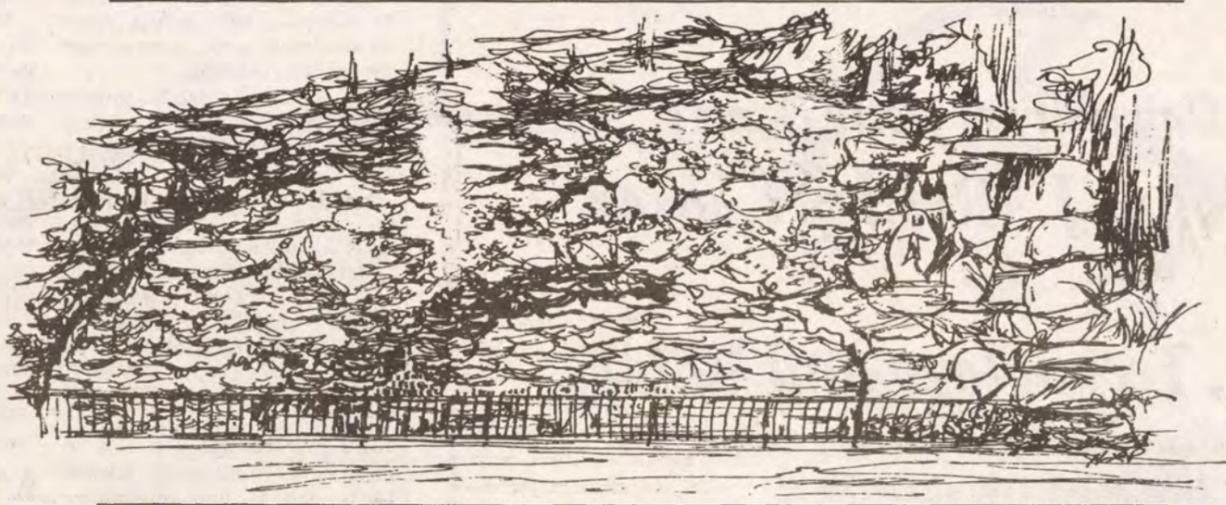
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Rectors Dougherty, Doyle will not return in fall

By ANDREW THAGARD
News Writer

When Notre Dame students return to campus after summer vacation, they may notice the absence of two familiar faces. Father Thomas Doyle, rector of Keough Hall, and Sister Anne Dougherty, rectress of Howard Hall, are leaving the University to pursue other interests.

Dougherty, a Franciscan sister, is transferring to St. Bonaventure University and Doyle, a Holy Cross priest, is entering graduate school to pursue an MBA.

Dougherty was asked by her order to apply for a position at St. Bonaventure, a university

run by the Franciscan friars. She will serve as vice president for university ministries, which entails overseeing the campus ministry department, social concerns center and possibly teaching.

"I was flattered and honored that the friars called our general manager to see if there was someone qualified to do the job," Dougherty said. "She thought of me immediately."

The offer took the Howard Hall rectress by surprise. Her contract with Notre Dame was supposed to last three years but her transfer comes after just one.

"I was expecting a call in three years and then returning to my home region [of

Tampa]," Dougherty said. "At first I thought of 24 reasons why I shouldn't go."

Dougherty's superior, however, encouraged her to think and pray about the offer. Eventually, she accepted the position after an interview.

"I wanted to honor her and honor my vows," she said. "Once I went for the interview ... [I realized] it was right up my alley."

Although Dougherty loves Notre Dame, she is looking forward to the more intimate nature of St. Bonaventure, a smaller school with 2,500 undergraduates and 300 graduate students.

"It's a very small campus and Franciscan oriented which tends to be simpler," she said.

Dougherty is also excited to have the opportunity to work with the dean of the Franciscan Institute, an organization that educates Franciscans for work around the world.

Although she looks forward

to her new position, she said she will miss the Notre Dame community.

"I enjoyed being a rectress ... I like the community experience," she said. "I felt like I was building up a community."

Kate Cawley, Howard Hall co-president, said she and the hall will miss their rectress.

"When she first came, we were all a little anxious," Cawley said. "[but] she jumped into it. She was really great for the community."

"We're going to be really sad to see her go but it's a great opportunity," she continued.

Like Howard, Keough Hall is also saying goodbye to their rector. Doyle has spent a total of 13 years at Notre Dame — five as Keough Hall rector. He feels, however, that now is a good opportunity to pursue an MBA.

Doyle is not certain which school to attend next fall. He applied, and was accepted to, the University of Washington, Kellogg Business School at Northwestern University, and Harvard University. He will make his decision in a week and is considering Harvard most seriously.

In addition to serving as a rector, Doyle has been teaching business ethics at the Mendoza College of Business. He feels an MBA will allow him to pursue these interests here or wherever he is called.

"This is something I've been praying about for the last

three years," he said. "I've been engaged by Holy Cross to continue my studies."

Although the decision was a difficult one for Doyle, he did not make it alone.

"It's been part of a three year conversation," Doyle said.

The rector said that the Notre Dame community will always have a special place in his heart, especially Keough Hall.

"The things I'll miss most are working with the [hall] staff," Doyle said. "They've been so talented and generous. It's a privilege I don't feel I deserve."

"I'll miss those exciting times of Freshman Orientation ... and that change from fear and anticipation to a sense that they belong," Doyle continued. "I'm going to miss celebrating Eucharist and reconciliation here [too]."

Doyle would consider returning to Notre Dame in the future but said that the decision was not for him to make.

"That's up to the congregation of the Holy Cross," he said as he took the time to thank his Holy Cross brothers for helping him to "grow up."

In addition to serving as Keough Hall rector, Doyle has been active in campus ministry with the freshman retreats and the Business school.

Dougherty has been involved with Pax Christi, the Center for Social Concerns and planning retreats.

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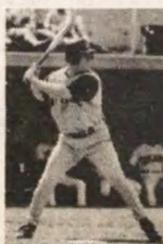
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revoke the resolution, if approved, and continue the senate's existence.

An April 18 forum to discuss the proposal drew about 70 Notre Dame professors — both senate and non-senate members — who expressed reservations about continuing the body as it exists now. Many suggested scrapping the senate and forming a faculty union.

At the forum, Porter said she intended to ask the senate's executive committee to endorse the resolution.

On Tuesday, Porter said she plans to pass chairship to Phil Quinn when the resolution comes to the floor at tonight's meeting and vote in favor of disbanding.

"Unless I hear something that really convinces me that the senate can continue to play an effective role in faculty governance, I believe I'll vote to approve [the resolution]," Porter said.

While he will not vote on the proposal tonight, Quinn said, "I've concluded very reluctantly that the senate ought to vote to dissolve itself."

Both Porter and Quinn said if senators move to disband, unionizing might be a viable option for faculty representation.

They also suggested that revitalizing the local chapter of the American Association of University Professors would be a feasible alternative to continuing the senate. Porter said she has been in contact with national AAUP leaders about reviving the on-campus chapter.

Assault

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referred to Linda Timm, vice president of Student Affairs. Timm's secretary referred the alleged victim back to North, according to the alleged victim.

The date for the meeting was finally set for Tuesday at 6 p.m.

The alleged victim brought two character witnesses to the hearing in the conference room in the office of residence life. Both witnesses attended the party the night of the alleged assault.

The alleged victim waited for 90 minutes outside of the conference room while the accused gave testimony, she said. Following the accused's testimony, the alleged victim said she gave testimony with the accused present. The accused

was granted opportunity to cross-examine the alleged victim, however, because the alleged victim had not heard the accused's testimony, she was not granted the same opportunity, the alleged victim said. The board also asked questions of the alleged victim, she said.

"They asked if there was any way that I could have

made it up or if it could have been a dream," the alleged victim said. "They asked what my sexual orientation is and if the bruises could have been self-inflicted."

A report by College Health Services from March 23 was also presented to the board, according to the alleged victim. The alleged victim claims the report confirmed physical evidence of bruising and possible assault.

A Saint Mary's security officer testified at 9 p.m. after both the alleged victim and the accused left the room, according to the alleged victim. Following the officer's statement, the board deliberated before delivering its not guilty verdict at 10 p.m., according to the alleged victim.

"Dana North called me in and she said that after looking at the evidence the jury found her [the accused] not in violation, but the jury is concerned about my well being and hopes I seek counseling," the alleged victim said.

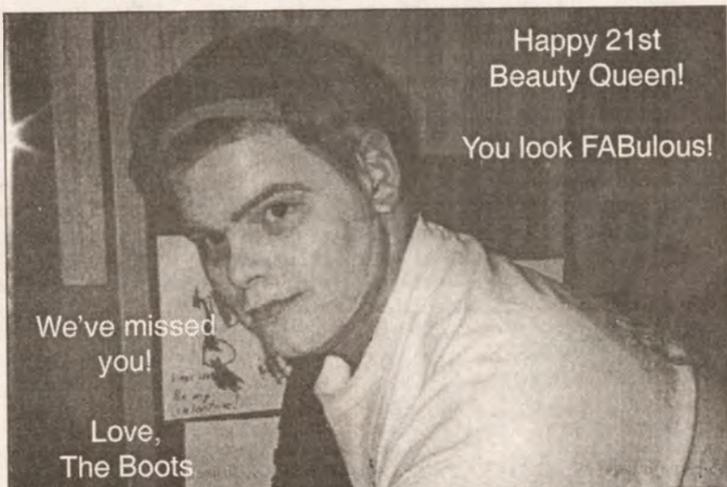
Saint Mary's administrators were unable to be reached in their offices early Wednesday morning. Timm declined comment before the hearing Monday.

The alleged victim will not return to campus in the fall, however, will finish the remainder of the semester at Saint Mary's.

"I am leaving school now," she said. "I don't think it's fair I have to walk around campus seeing her. I don't think it's fair I was treated this way."

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Hall residents use 'Hands and Hearts' to volunteer

By MYRA McGRIFF
Saint Mary's Editor

Resident Hall Advisors kicked off a new program to get students motivated about volunteering. The program, called Hands and Hearts, came into fruition March of 2001, but took a year of planning.

Working closely with the SURV office, Sarah Chaudoir, a junior and community awareness committee chair, gave life to the Hands and Hearts program.

"I wanted to pull all the programs together as well as rec-

ognize what students are doing," said Chaudoir.

She accomplished this goal by creating a program that involved all of the residence halls and encouraged them to keep a log of volunteer hours during a set period of time.

For the first competition the time period set ran from March 10 to April 23. After tallying up all of the hours in proportion to the number of residents for each hall, Regina Hall was announced the winner, with an average of 50 volunteer minutes per resident. The hall members will receive a trophy — a colorfully deco-

"The more you get involved the more you want to do."

Sarah Chaudoir
community awareness committee chair

rated drawer unit. The trophy, designed by art major Eileen Scubulek, represents the program as a whole.

"A volunteer does not just have one characteristic. Therefore each drawer represents one of the qualities that a volunteer embodies," said

Scubulek. "I wanted the colors to inspire a positive attitude and to bring to mind one of the many goals of a volunteer: to help others in positive ways."

Although the program is in its first year, Chaudoir is happy with the results and hopes to involve more next year.

She feels programs like Hands and Hearts are important to help students move beyond their own experience. Setting out her own time to volunteer at areas like the Juvenile Justice Center, Chaudoir understands what an act of volunteering does for the

volunteer. She described the experience as "addictive."

"It shows students places to volunteer and promote a feeling of volunteerism that will spill over into the community," said Chaudoir. "The more you get involved the more you want to do."

Combining the hours of all the residents records Saint Mary's students recorded more than 400 hours of volunteer service at a variety of centers on and off-campus.

Despite the success, Chaudoir said she hopes to get more students involved next year.

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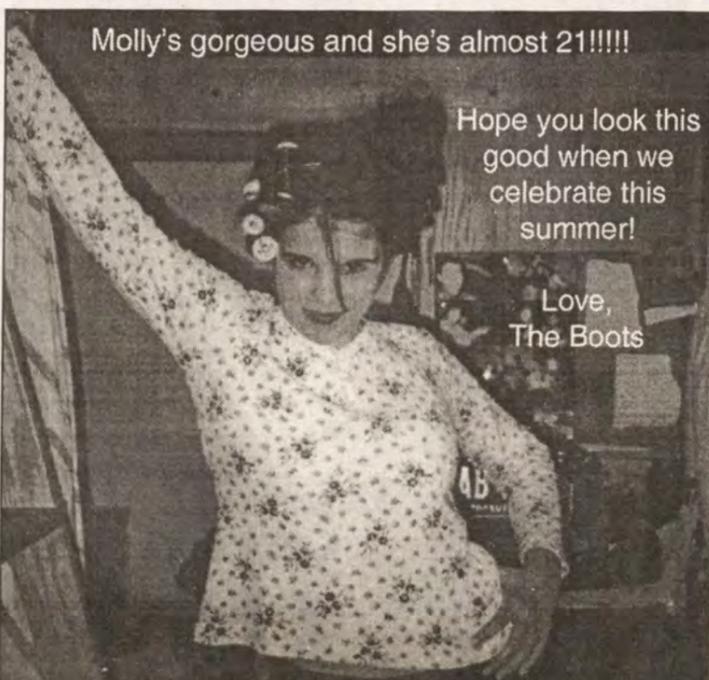
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World governments wary about Bush's missile plan

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Bush

Allies Britain and Canada issued statements that stopped short of endorsing the plan, dealing uncomfortably around the central issue.

Much of the apprehension focused on Bush's declaration that a 1972 arms-control treaty was outdated.

United Nations Secretary-General Kofi Annan said the missile plan would "inevitably impact upon global security and strategic stability."

He emphasized the need to "consolidate and build upon

existing disarmament and nonproliferation agreements, specifically to prevent a new arms race and to maintain the non-weaponized status of outer space," U.N. spokesman Fred Eckhard said.

Annan appealed to all countries to avoid a new arms race and start negotiating irreversible disarmament agreements.

Many of the United States' European allies have been skeptical of Bush's missile defense ideas since his election, fearing that such a system could start a new arms race by prompting both Russia and China to increase their nuclear arsenals.

Neither Russia nor China commented immediately on Bush's Tuesday announcement, his first major defense address.

He said that the 1972 Antiballistic Missile Treaty with Russia, which sets strict limits on testing and deployment of antimissile systems, was a Cold War relic. Today's threats, he argued, come from hostile nations like Iraq, not from Russia.

Supporters view the ABM treaty as a cornerstone of international arms control agreements.

Britain, one of the United States' most loyal allies, said it shared Bush's concerns about rogue states and agreed he "had a case" in arguing that the ABM treaty had outlived its usefulness.

A statement from Prime Minister Tony Blair's office avoided endorsing the defense plan, but praised Bush's promise to work closely with Russia and U.S. allies.

"We would welcome the very open approach the Bush administration has adopted in setting out its assessment of the missile threat, particularly from rogue states, and to setting out its ideas on a new approach to the offensive and

defensive response to that threat," said a Blair spokeswoman, speaking on customary condition of anonymity.

"We share the U.S.'s concerns and we welcome President Bush's determina-

"The president is right to focus on these new security challenges, and I welcome his commitment to close consultation with the allies."

Lord Robertson
NATO secretary general

tion to consult allies on the future of missile defense," she added.

NATO Secretary General Lord Robertson responded similarly.

"The president is right to focus on these new security challenges, and I

welcome his commitment to close consultation with the allies," he said.

Canada was more wary. Foreign Affairs Minister John Manley said before Bush's speech that a unilateral American abandonment of the ABM treaty "would be very problematic for us."

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O'Shaughnessy, spokesman for Canada's department of foreign affairs, was noncommittal, but welcomed Bush's plans to work closely with Russia.

"We note with interest President Bush's proposal for ballistic missile defense," O'Shaughnessy said. "The missile defense program will inevitably have a major impact on the broader global security environment, on strategic stability and on the multilateral arms control and disarmament process."

"Canada's eventual evaluation of the proposed program will depend in part on how these impacts are taken into account."

Swedish Foreign Minister Anna Lindh, whose country holds the rotating presidency of the 15-nation European Union, condemned the American plans.

"We urge President Bush to abstain from the National Missile Defense, just as we urge China, India and Pakistan to discontinue their nuclear arsenals," she said.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Students comment on parietals, protest

In a letter to the editor Tuesday, Ben Powers encouraged all those who slept on the Quad last night to "stand up for something that might actually be worthy of a protest." Hundreds of students (and some interested faculty) gathered on South Quad not to quibble about times, but to let the administration know that we will be respected. The messy result of years and years of students and administrators battling over this issue has overwhelmed the initial statement of protest: we should have a right to choose. We deserve the responsibility.

Today's letter mentioned the "real problems" which other colleges and universities are protesting. Why are they being heard? Because they're being respected. We have to fight for our voice. This has to come first.

Mr. Powers, you're right. Compared to the violent struggles being enacted in the rest of the wide world, fighting for an extra hour with a member of the opposite sex is inconsequential. It's ridiculous. It's pathetic. But that's not why we won't shut up. To everyone who slept outside last night: thank you. For believing in your voice.

Sarah Brook
sophomore
Pasquerilla West Hall
May 1, 2001

I would like to discuss the use of the terms "dictator-like administration" and "tyranny of the administration" on the flyers passed out in front of DeBartolo Hall regarding the protest of parietals.

I don't remember the last time I went outside my door and was met with a member of the secret police of Notre Dame who wanted to drag me into prison and interrogate and torture me. The point is the use of "dictatorship" and "tyranny" is a bit strong for a situation involving parietals. I agree that it is an important issue that the students of this University should desire to speak about. It is true that 80 percent of the student body wanted to change parietals, and in the end, there was no change.

But, this does not make the administration "dictator-like." The use of a term like this sounds childish and absolutely not true.

The fact that the students could protest is diametrically opposed to what it means to be a dictator.

Tim O'Malley
freshman
Old College
May 1, 2001

We agree that the granting of the extension would not drastically alter gender relations at the University. Still, we believe that we, as students, deserve to be heard by University officials. Most people who attended the protest did not actually think that the protest would lead to the revocation of the decision. The camp-out was merely their expression of general frustration with higher-ups. They, like Brigid Sweeney with her letter in Tuesday's Observer, have the right to complain.

Also, her insinuations about the evils of the male gender demonstrate the off-kilter thinking that the parietals revision was attempting to alleviate. In order to overcome the negative gender stereotypes that are rampant on this campus, we must avoid these archaic insinuations and work toward changing rules restricting free interaction between the sexes.

Megan Flynn
Colleen O'Connor
sophomores
Welsh Family Hall
May 1, 2001

This letter is in response to the criticisms made by Brigid Sweeney and Ben Powers Tuesday regarding the protest over parietals which took place last night.

I think somebody's missing the point. You two are bemoaning students for protesting? Since when is there a gauge set for the general worth of a protest? I guess we should take note of schools like Berkeley, New York University or Oberlin, since they always seem to find some saucy reason to have a sit-in or march.

But those schools probably don't have a Big Brother-type administration overlooking everything the students do and underacknowledging them for any sort of independent thought. Keep in mind that when antiwar sentiments during Vietnam reached their climax, President Heschurgh responded to those surly Notre Dame students by officially designating a whole 15 minutes of a single day for a planned demonstration, after which anyone caught protesting would be kicked out of school.

Protest isn't about nobility, or even tact. It's about being frustrated and trying to do something, anything about it.

Adam Frick
senior
off-campus
May 1, 2001

The decision not to extend parietals was a disappointment to many students on this campus.

However, if you listen to students talk about this issue, they will have you believe that they are being abused. Do not believe them. As tyrannical as it is, you can survive the oppression experienced when the University limits your visiting hours to only 14 hours per day.

Some students have decided to protest this totalitarianism by sleeping on the Quad during one of the nicest nights of the year. While some people do this for fun, and call it "camping out," the people you saw on South Quad were protesting and are therefore martyrs.

For the rest of us, let's try to stick it out for the remainder of our Notre Dame careers and try to pretend that we have it reasonably good here despite all the abuse we experience.

Paul Schofield
junior
Keough Hall
May 1, 2001

Princess Sweeney I feel your pain. There is nothing wrong with you or this school. The infamous flier distributor is the enemy. The evil distributor's efforts to have the administration actually listen to us for once is absolutely preposterous.

I want parietals to stay as they are. I want to live in a sterile environment my whole life never having to compromise my life for the opposite sex. I want to never live in a community that mirrors the real world. I never want to grow up. And I definitely never want to be maliciously attacked with the terrible words of "What's wrong with you people?"

The status quo is so easy and that is how life is supposed to be. People aren't supposed to be presented with challenges or questioned. So, evil flier distributor please fly away and allow our college to maintain its position as a great sluggish horse.

David Baroni
sophomore
Knott Hall
May 1, 2001

As students at Notre Dame, our freedom is constrained. Faculty Senate recognized this constraint when they tried to include an academic freedom clause in duLac. Similarly, Student Senate passed a resolution that would grant many forms of free speech to students and student organizations; these freedoms included leafleting, demonstrating and chalking campus sidewalks. Student Senate also passed a resolution to extend parietals by one hour on weeknights.

What came of all these resolutions? They went to the Campus Life Council (CLC), and — with the exception of the free speech proposal, which was tabled until the fall of 2001 — all the resolutions were rejected.

The results of these decisions are obvious. The administration refuses to grant students basic rights and freedoms. The ability to have a rally or protest is not a privilege, it is a right known as freedom of speech. Does this right exist on the Notre Dame campus? Only to a certain degree.

Bill Kirk, vice president of Student Affairs, must approve all protests before they occur, or there will be serious repercussions for the organizers of the event.

Many students complain that parietals are a trivial matter, and that we should support nobler causes. But, we still have a few hurdles to overcome before we reach that point. For example, students must be able to sit-in without facing serious repercussions. The purpose of a protest or demonstration is not to do something where the participants face serious charges; it is to inform and organize people into a unified voice that those in power will hear and listen to. If we protest and are suspended from the University, the administration has even less cause to listen to us.

Do Notre Dame students have a voice? Of course we do, but nobody is listening. Just look at the CLC. They make decisions based on what they believe that we think we want. Liberty at Notre Dame? Not for a very long time.

Paul Graham
sophomore
Stanford Hall
May 1, 2001



Refined etiquette would benefit Frisbee-players

I would like to respond to the letter sent in by Steve Hemkens, the off-campus senior who plays and defends the sport of Ultimate Frisbee.

While I have no beef with classifying ultimate frisbee as a sport, I do have my reservations about the character of the ultimate frisbee players. While I know none of them personally, I am frequently alarmed by their disgraceful appearances and disgusting behavior.

No, I have never been hit in the head

with a frisbee meandering through the quads. What I am referring to is the ultimate team's stain on the character of this fine University of higher learning.

Who wants to see long-haired, crazy people throwing frisbees on the fine trimmed lawns of Our Lady's University? I assure you that I am not one. Who wants to enter the pasta room of north dining hall only to discover that a pack of uncontrollable disc-throwing gorillas has taken over the room and are

filling it with loud and rambunctious laughter.

I, for one, like to eat my meals in peace and in the company of others who observe the finer points of etiquette.

Ultimate players — I have no qualms with your sport. Rather I appeal to your sense of the finer things in life. Would not your sport have a better and more reputable place within Notre Dame if you raised the standards?

Why not wear formal dress, ties and

sport jackets on the days of your tournaments? Why not cut your hair so as to improve your aerodynamic capabilities, as well as improving your appearance? Why not practice on fields which are better suited for your sport? Our quads have sidewalks for a reason.

Brendan Egan
junior
off-campus
May 1, 2001

Students deserve freedom to make study days choice

I admire my professor's dedication. The last scheduled classes before a break are usually sparsely attended, and the students who do attend are at best intermittently attentive. This was certainly the situation in my 2 p.m. class on the Thursday before Easter break, as 10 of us, grumbling all the way, complained that while our peers fled campus when their classes were cancelled, we were stuck in class.

But my professor — whose name I will keep anonymous to spare him criticism from his colleagues — opened class that day by thanking us for attending. Initially, I rolled my eyes at the feeble attempt to win our affections for the next 90 minutes — until he explained why we were having class.

"In my opinion, your professors who cancel class today owe you a tuition refund," he told us. "They get paid to work today, and if they cancel class, it's a free day off. You all pay a lot of money to be here. I have little respect for my colleagues who don't hold their classes today."

After that, how could you argue being in class? With a professor that dedicated, you can't help but want to be there. For the next 90 minutes I paid attention in that last scheduled class before Easter break, with a newfound respect for my professor's passion to teach.

With that in mind, I have difficulty understanding why Saint Mary's administrators and faculty assembly delegates continually shoot down the Board of Governance proposal for study days. Under the premise that removing a class day from the semester schedule would force them to condense their already-overloaded syllabi, the faculty assembly has said repeatedly they will reject study days in any form. I am willing to bet my semester GPA that these delegates have cancelled their own classes at least once in the semester for a break, professional development activities for themselves or personal conflicts.

I'm sorry, but to me, that's just selfish. Canceling classes at whim at other points during the semester because the professor has conflicts doesn't seem like a justifiable argument not to cancel class when the students really need it — right before finals. I've had classes canceled this semester alone for professors traveling to conferences, professors taking personal trips and simply because they wrapped up their syllabi early. As students, we're only asking for one cancellation. It's certainly not unreasonable.

The second criticism of the proposal is that there is a wide misuse of study days across the street — which I won't, for one second, deny. I am not going to pretend that there aren't block parties and cups tournaments and couches that become fixtures on South Quad for days on end. I won't pretend that the vast majority of Domers I know will spend the next two days playing video games, tossing Frisbees and closing out the semester with a round of drinks at the Backer, Boat Club, Heartland or Coach's. I won't pretend that for the next two days, thousands of Notre Dame students will choose partying over studying. And I won't pretend that if Saint Mary's students were granted a study day, hundreds wouldn't make that exact same choice.

But how is that choice any different than the rest of the year? Every weekend in the semester, as students, we are inundated with tests, projects and proposals due in the upcoming week. And every weekend in the semester, students make the choice to party or study. Some will justify partying because they've done too much studying; some will justify studying because they've done too much partying.

Managing time, be it social or academic, is a critical college skill. If a student hasn't mastered the art of choosing between studying and partying by the time they are 18, 19, 20 or 21 years old, they probably have bigger problems than waking up hungover on study days.

The administration and faculty assembly need to allow students the freedom to choose for themselves how to manage their time. Basing a decision on the presumption that all students are unable to make these choices effectively is poor rationale. In the next seven days, I have four papers and one test — and that's on the heels of the other four major projects I have turned in over the past week. If granted a study day, I know I would make the choice to use that day to get some of that work done. I would also, in all probability, make the choice to party with my friends across the street.

And as a 21-year-old college junior, I feel equipped to make that choice.

It's just too bad my administration doesn't think so.

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



Noreen Gillespie

Managing Editor

These are the days

Whether you spend your study days on the beach or

By LAURA KELLY
Associate Scene Editor

It's that time of year again. For weeks you've been keeping a tally of how many classes are left. You've agonized over final papers and projects, and you've glared out the window with envy as your friends snoozed on the quad.

But now classes are finally over and your time has come, for in a rare moment of compassion, the administration has seen fit to grant you a reprieve before the hellish week of finals. Sure, they may intend some actual academic behavior to occur during these alleged "study days." But you know better.

This is the last hurrah, the final nights to cut loose before you empty your brain into blue book after blue book and then pack up everything you own into identical white ND boxes. These are your study days, and you are ready for them.

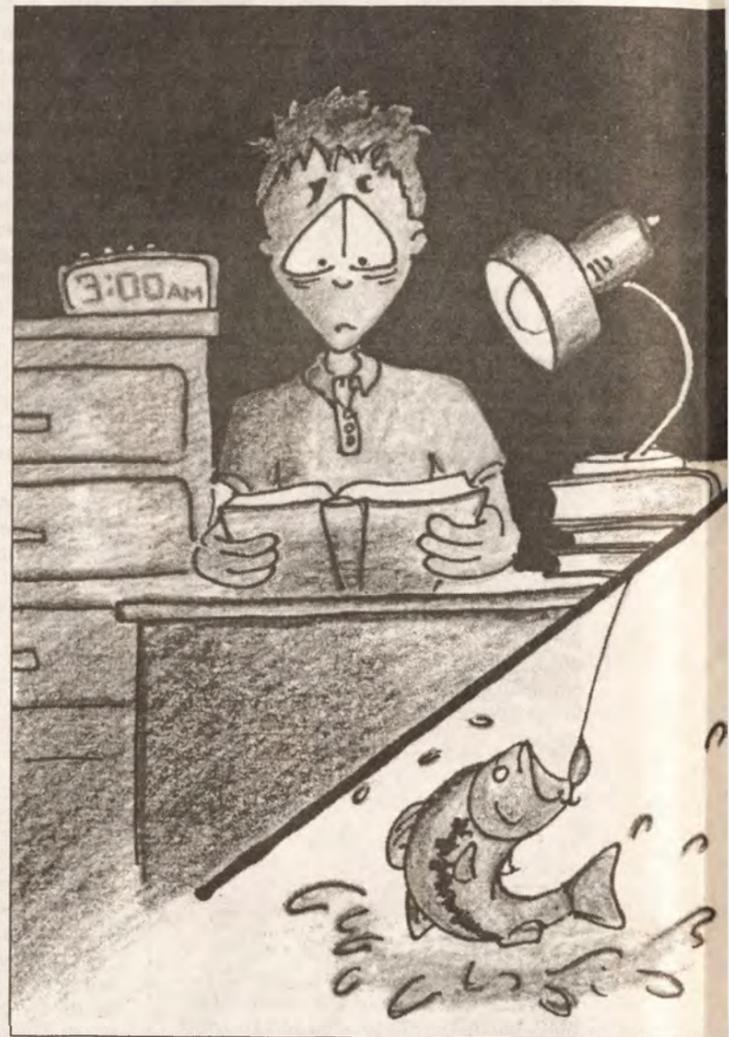
But where to go? What to do? Thursday and Friday stretch out in front of you, beautiful blank pages just waiting to be filled. Make them zany and borderline illegal; make them restful and relaxing. Whatever you do, make the most of them.

Sweet Home Chicago

In the infamous words of Jake and Elwood: "It's 106 miles to Chicago. We got a full tank of gas, half a pack of cigarettes, it's dark and we're wearing sunglasses. Hit it."

And why shouldn't you? Chi-town is the perfect study days escape — close enough to make a day trip, yet far enough from Mishawaka's cornfields to feel like another world. Breathe in that city air and the skyline as you approach the city, and that bio final will somehow seem insignificant.

Spring is arguably the best time of year to visit Chicago. The fountains are back on in Grant Park, the breeze off Lake Michigan is just cool enough and the bright lights of Navy Pier as just begging you to come run around like a



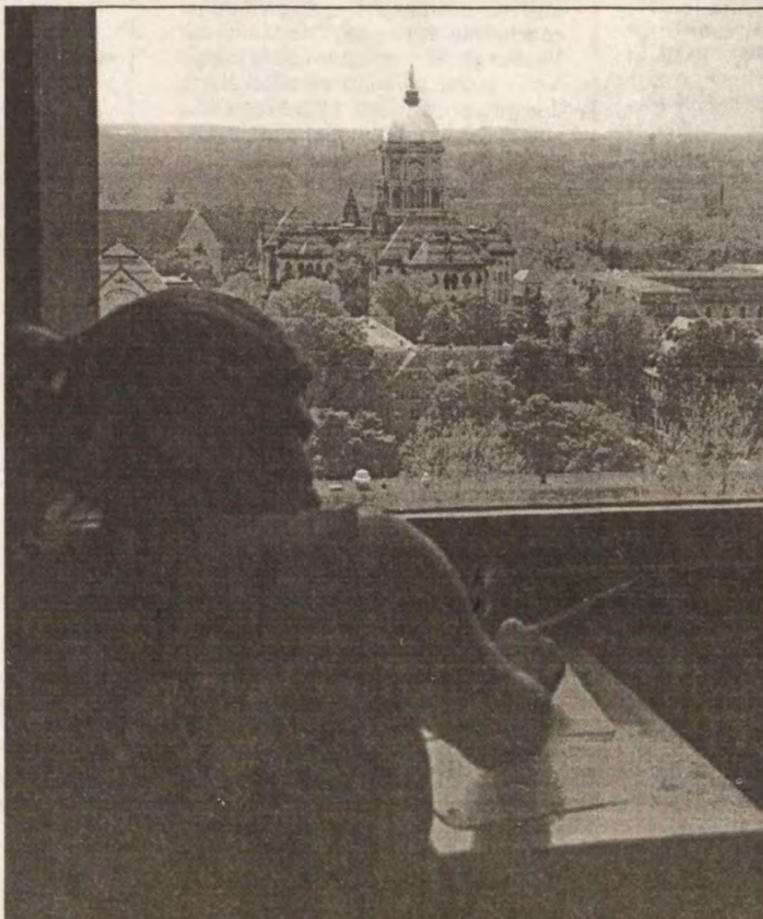
giddy 6-year old in an amusement park.

If you really can't get out of the academic frame of mind, at least have some fun with it. Chicago's museum offerings are as good as any study guide. For anthropology, you've got an Egyptian tomb, the man-eating lions of Tsavo and the bones of the biggest Tyrannosaurus Rex ever discovered, all at the Field Museum. For biology, you can't beat the world's largest

indoor aquarium (the Shedd) or the mammoth Museum of Science and Industry, where you can walk through a giant heart or watch baby chickens being born. That should practically be extra credit.

And lest arts and letters majors feel left out, there's always the Art Institute. You can wander through the endless galleries for hours, or at least until you find a school group for you, Cameron and Sloane to hold hands with and latch onto.

If museums bore you to death even more than engineering homework, take yourself out to the ballgame. The White Sox play away on Thursday and Friday, but the Cubs have afternoon games both days, against Los Angeles and San Diego, respectively. Nothing feels more like playing hooky than sitting in the bleachers with a box of popcorn and the green field stretched out before you in the



Fighting the pull of warm weather, many Notre Dame students will dutifully spend their study days in the stacks of the library.

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you'll remember...
or in the library, make the most of the next 48 hours



sun. Even if it is the Cubs.

So take advantage of all Chicago has to offer. If you have only a day to spare, the drive is generally no more than two hours, and with a scenic tour through Gary, who can resist? Besides, if you can't be away from campus for more than 24 hours without getting homesick, you can always climb to the Skydeck of the Sears Tower — if the skies are clear, you just might spy the gleaming gold of the Dome.

The cost of Chicago —

- ◆ South Shore ticket from South Bend to downtown Chicago: \$9.40
- ◆ Spin on the Navy Pier Ferris Wheel: \$4
- ◆ Window-shopping on Michigan Ave.: absolutely free
- ◆ Spending a day off that would make Ferris Bueller proud: priceless

Oh, Canada

If your comparative government class has you convinced that we've got it all wrong, head for the border for your mini-vacation. The closest international soil also happens to have a lower drinking age than our beloved States — isn't that convenient?

Thursday and Friday stretch out in front of you, beautiful blank pages just waiting to be filled. Make them zany and borderline illegal; make them restful and relaxing.

Windsor is about four hours drive South Bend, depending on traffic. As exotic as leaving the country for the weekend may sound, drop all exotic illusions on the American side of the bridge. All this Ontario city really has going for it is the gambling.

Casino Windsor is one of the largest and most popular casinos, offering all kinds of slot machines and table games from blackjack to craps and poker.

The self-contained hotel joins the casino in overlooking the Detroit River and skyline, and the strip of downtown bars and clubs nearby provides more than enough entertainment for those used to deciding between Heartland and Club 23.

If you still need a school-related excuse to waste your money away on slots and shots, consider these angles: the addictive nature of gambling (psychology), the immorality of gambling (theology), the political battles concerning the legality of gambling (government) or the economics of the industry (self-explanatory).

And if you strike it rich, you won't even need to take exams.

The cost of Canada —

- ◆ Room at Casino Windsor: \$169 Canadian
- ◆ Minimum bet at Casino Windsor's Blackjack table: \$5-\$25 Canadian
- ◆ Adding "eh?" at the end of every sentence: obnoxious, but free
- ◆ Making a 213 mile pilgrimage all in the name of legal drinking for 19 year-olds: priceless

From Dome to Dunes

Not everyone has the urge or the cash for a lavish trip during study days. But our very own state of Indiana provides its residents with more than enough ways to amuse themselves. Honestly. And it's not all cornfields, either.

The Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore and Dunes State Park is only an hour away from Notre Dame, on Indiana's southern shore. Here are the natural wetlands and tall sand dunes that Lake Michigan is known for. With projected highs in the 70s for Thursday and Friday, a day at the beach is the perfect way to unwind before the stress of exams.

If you want to make the excursion into an overnight adventure (and maybe — gasp! — break parietals while you're at it), consider camping. As long as one member of your happy party is older than 21, the state park will let you crash for only \$12 to \$15 per site. For that, you have three miles of shoreline to explore, trails to hike and a whole lake to fish or swim, if you dare brave the chilly waters this early in the spring.

Camping at the dunes may not bring the same proud rebellion as protesting on South Quad. But if your eyes are bleary from hours in front of a computer screen

getting back to nature may be more than a perfect pre-finals retreat — it might be necessary for your sanity.

The cost of the dunes —

- ◆ Campsite at Indiana Dunes State Park: \$12-15
- ◆ 10 oz. bottle of Coppertone: \$6.99
- ◆ Cookout essentials — brats, burgers, buns and s'mores ingredients: depends on how much your crew can pack away.
- ◆ Laughing as your roommates tumble head-over-heels down a huge dune and wind up at the bottom with a mouthful of sand: priceless

Home Sweet Home

Despite wishful thinking, most of us will spend these days of study right where we are: good ol' South Bend. Before you heave a great sigh, consider this: in a little more than a week, you'll be missing this place like crazy. Plus, with the latest spell of warm and uncharacteristically sunny weather, northern Indiana is not a bad place to be.

So if you are stuck here for the weekend, do not despair. You can still have one last weekend of partying and go out with a bang, or you could even consider cracking open the books and getting a head-start on all your friends — a novel thought.

Try studying some place new: Lula's for the coffee and comfy chairs, Barnes and Noble for the distraction of thousands of books much more interesting than the one you're reading, or the new Coleman Morse center for the free Coke and popcorn. Brilliant.

Remember to treat your poor brain to some down time this weekend as well. Sit in the back row of Movies 14 and toss popcorn at lovey couples. Go out to dinner with friends and spend some quality time together before summer send you your separate ways. Or just take a leisurely walk around the lake and feed the ducks.

So even if you're swamped in work — and in all honesty, we all should probably spend the next 48 hours in the library — make the most of these study days. They'll be gone before you know it.

The cost of South Bend —

- ◆ 12 inch pepperoni pizza from Bruno's: \$8.95
- ◆ Student discount at Movies 14: \$5
- ◆ Cappuccino at Lula's: \$2.75
- ◆ Realizing that everyone who partied through study days is just that much more screwed come finals time: smugly priceless.

SCENE ASKS

How are you planning to spend study days?



"We celebrated Festivus last year"

Gabe Brown
sophomore, Stanford Hall

"I had my appendix removed."

Adam Perry
sophomore, Stanford Hall



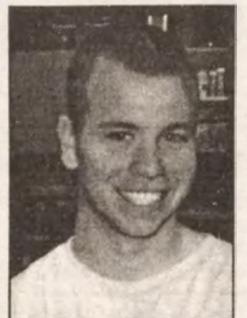
"I'm running a half-marathon in Indianapolis."

Michael Boldt
sophomore, Dillon Hall



"I'm celebrating Cinco de Mayo on a lofted couch"

Jimi Fishburne
sophomore, Morrissey Manor



"I'm actually going to study, and then do a lot of working out to transfer the stress from my brain to my body."

Karrie Koski
freshman, Farley Hall



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NBA PLAYOFFS

Bucks move to semifinals with win against Magic

Associated Press

ORLANDO, Fla.

The Milwaukee Bucks won't give themselves much time to enjoy their first NBA playoff series victory in 12 years.

Ray Allen scored 26 points and Sam Cassell had 14 of his 25 points in the third quarter as the Bucks defeated Orlando 112-104 Tuesday night to win their first-round series 3-1.

"We have a day, maybe, to celebrate, but we're hoping to make this a beginning, not a celebration," Milwaukee coach George Karl said.

The Bucks, who hadn't won an NBA playoff series since 1989, advanced to face Charlotte in the Eastern Conference semifinals. The Hornets swept favored Miami in the first round.

The Magic were led by 25 points from Tracy McGrady, who set an NBA playoff record for a four-game series with 123 field-goal attempts. Rookie guard Mike Miller broke out of his shooting slump to score 22 points.

Milwaukee, the league's second-highest scoring team in the regular season, entered Game 4 shooting only 41 percent from the field. But the Bucks scored 75 points in the second and third quarters behind 56.1 percent shooting (23-for-41) to take control.

"We are not a fast, athletic, speed team, but we are a fast-shooting team and that's how we like to play," Karl said. "It's been a lesson on my part, learning to accept some of the crazy shots we take, but that's what we do well."

Orlando coach Doc Rivers said he knew his team was in trouble early when the Magic built a

double-digit lead in the second quarter.

"I really thought if we kept playing at that pace, it was going to come back and haunt us," said Rivers, who was in his first playoff series as a coach. "When you play at that pace against a team like the Bucks, you are saying that we are going to try to outgun you — and you cannot outgun them."

The Bucks took the lead for good in the third quarter behind Cassell's two 3-pointers, which started and ended a 10-2 run to open the second half, giving Milwaukee a 67-63 advantage.

Cassell later had six straight points, beating Darrell Armstrong, as the Bucks went ahead 82-75 after the Magic rallied to take a two-point lead.

Keeping the Magic from disaster during the Bucks' outburst was, as usual, McGrady, who averaged 33.8 points in the series. He had 13 points in the quarter, including five straight on a three-point play and a jumper to cut Orlando's deficit to 90-87 with 2:38 left.

"He's a talented player, and we don't have a mechanism to disrupt him like maybe some of the other teams do," Karl said.

But Milwaukee ended the period with a 7-0 run for a 97-87 advantage, and Orlando never got closer than seven points in the fourth quarter.

McGrady blamed fatigue for his fade down the stretch. He missed all four of his shots in the final quarter.

"I came to the sideline after the first timeout and my legs were just gone, shot," McGrady said. "I felt like I was running in cement. I knew it was going to be a long night for me."

Milwaukee, down 16 points in the second quarter, closed with-

in four points at intermission with 8-0 and 9-2 runs. Tim Thomas had 10 of his 15 points in the period, and Allen added nine.

Orlando broke out to its largest lead of the series early in the second quarter on Michael Doleac's dunk off a steal and coast-to-coast breakaway. That put the Magic ahead 40-24 with 10:46 before halftime.

Orlando's backcourt depth, already hurt by the one-game suspension of Dee Brown, took another blow when reserve point guard Troy Hudson sprained his ankle in the second quarter and didn't return. Hudson had six points and two assists in eight minutes before leaving the game.

Brown had to sit out the game as punishment for leaving the bench during a brief scuffle in Game 3 on Saturday night.

Everything was falling for the Magic in the opening minutes as they hit 12 of their first 18 shots en route to a 29-18 lead with 3:09 left in the first period.

"We were shell-shocked to start the game," Allen said.

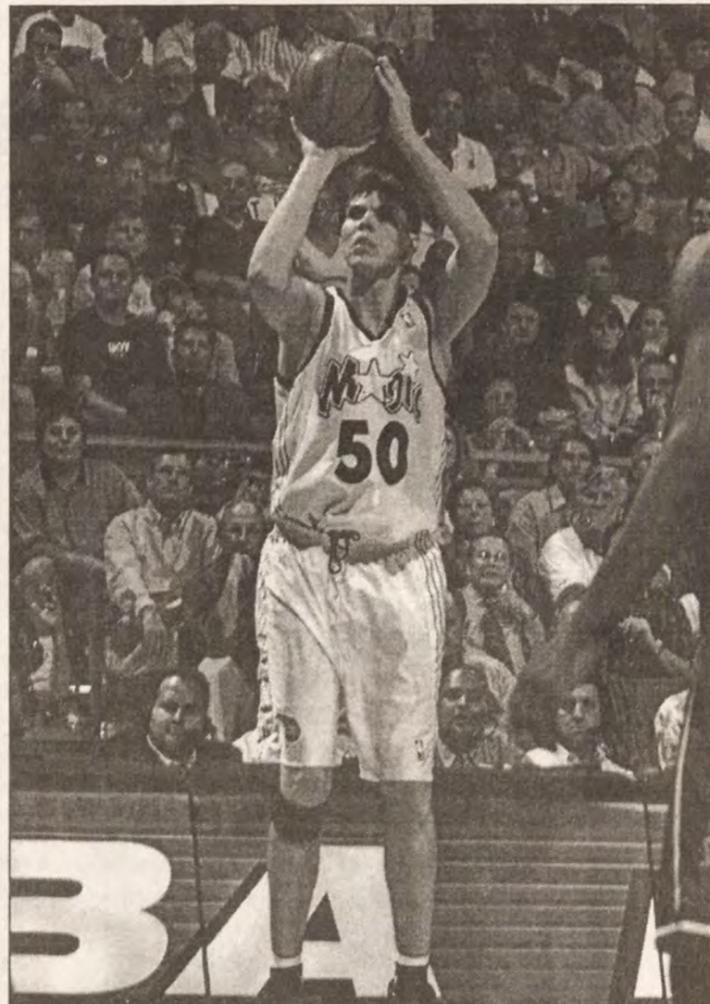
Miller, who entered the game averaging 8.7 points on 33.3 percent shooting, was 4-for-5 in the opening period and scored nine points.

Mavericks 107, Jazz 77

The Dallas Mavericks are growing up fast.

Dirk Nowitzki scored 16 of his 33 points in the third quarter, and Steve Nash had 27 points as the playoff-novice Mavericks routed the Utah Jazz in Game 4 to force a decisive fifth game in their first-round series.

The series finale will be Thursday night in Salt Lake City. The winner takes on San Antonio in the second round,



APF Photo

The Orlando Magic's Mike Miller shoots in Game 4 of the first-round playoffs against the Milwaukee Bucks. The Bucks defeated the Magic, 112-104.

starting Saturday.

The Mavericks head West on quite a roll as their Big Three of Nowitzki, Nash and Michael Finley, who had 20 points and 13 rebounds, are finally clicking.

The magic began in the sec-

ond quarter, when Nash and Nowitzki combined for 22 of Dallas' 28 points as Dallas turned a 10-point deficit into a 45-42 halftime lead. The final basket was a long 3-pointer by Nash with two Jazz in his face.

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Clark

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in exhibition games. The new head coach has seen only a glimpse of his new team, but is thrilled with what he's found.

"So far I am very excited. I think we've done a lot of good things," Clark said. "Having said that, I think we still have a long way to go. They're working, and that's the nice thing. I wouldn't be here if I didn't think it could be done. I wouldn't have left when I left if I wasn't sure that Notre Dame could attract the top student athletes so we can get a team that can challenge for national honors."

Players grumbled privately last season as Apple changed the team's offensive approach and starting lineup nearly every week. As the team struggled, the young coach frantically looked for a fix. The solution never really arrived, and along the way the continuity on the team fell apart.

"They have their system that they like to play," said rising junior goaltender Greg Tait. "They kind of try to teach us it and teach us how to apply it to

every single team. They're not really going to try to change things up from game to game."

While Clark is less likely to make constant changes to his starting lineup, he stresses that every player on his team has a role.

"I'll be honest, you're not going to win a championship with 11 players," Clark said. "Last year's team at Stanford that I thought had a very good chance of winning a national championship, played 18 players. I had total confidence in any one of those 18 players."

"There's going to be some games when it's going to be working for someone, and there's going to be some games when it's not. At least 16 players have got to come out. Everybody's got to be into it, that's the key. You can't be selfish; good teams aren't selfish. You can be disappointed at not having the goal you want, but you can't be selfish."

To be sure that everybody in the locker room is on the same page, Clark breaks his athletes up into three separate roles — all essential in a winning program.

"The team's going to fall into three guys: the guys that are pretty well your key players,

your starters; the guys that are coming off of the bench; and your guys that are practice players," Clark said. "But I want the practice players to be pushing the guys coming off the bench, and I want the guys that are coming off the bench to be pushing the guys that are starting."

While Clark wants to make sure players know their roles, he doesn't want them to become satisfied and complacent.

"I want everybody out there to know their role, accept their role and in some cases not be satisfied with their role," Clark said. "Even the guys that are starting, I want them to be pushing and driving to be the best in the country. They're not going to be satisfied with just a starting spot, they've got to be looking for being the best in the country."

Still, one thing comes first on any team coached by Clark.

"It's very important that the players put the team first," Clark said. "And that's not easy because most of the players that come here have been in their own little environments where they come from and been star players. Some of them have to deal with not getting the key role. When you hit the elite

level, you might not be in the same role that you had."

Bridging the change

While much of the Irish program has changed since the team played its final game on Halloween, one thing has remained the same. While Nino Berticelli, Mike's son who served as an assistant coach last fall, has left to pursue a master's degree at Thomas University in Florida, assistant coach Mike Avery remains on Clark's staff.

"Mike did a great job in the transition between Coach Apple and the new coach, me, coming in," Clark said.

The other assistant coach on Clark's staff is Brian Wiese, who played under Clark at Dartmouth and has remained at his side ever since.

"Brian played with me at Dartmouth and he followed me to Stanford and did his masters in engineering there," Clark said. "For the first couple of years he was doing his masters and we had a volunteer graduate assistant type of situation. When he finished his degree at Stanford, he decided he wanted to coach. He's been my full-time assistant for the last three years at Stanford."

Clark is not wholly unfamiliar with Notre Dame, having crossed paths with the program during the Berticelli era.

"In 1998 I came up and did a clinic for Mike here," Clark said. "I've known Mike over the years. In fact we helped Andrew Aris — the New Zealand boy — come here [when Clark coached the New Zealand national team]. He was on my under-18 squad in New Zealand and I recommended him to Coach Berticelli. Everyone's been touched at some time by Mike Berticelli."

While Clark maintains he was happy coaching at Stanford, the lifestyle and atmosphere at Notre Dame lured him to take a new position and move his family halfway across the country.

"They're both very good academic schools," Clark said. "They both have tremendous athletic traditions. From a family living point of view I thought South Bend would be a much nicer place to live. The only thing I can take out of that is the weather. Take away that I think it's a terrific place for my wife and I."

"We just really liked the atmosphere," Clark added. "It's a gut feeling. Maybe it's a Scotsman coming among the Irish, it was just a gut feeling."



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SOFTBALL

Notre Dame faces Big East challenge at Villanova

By PETER FRASSO
Sports Writer

This Friday, the No. 9 Irish women's softball team faces possibly their biggest test in Big East play, as they face second place Villanova on Friday in a road double header.

The game will clarify the Big East picture and could decide the conference's regular season championship.

The Irish have won 29 straight, the longest streak in the nation, and are currently undefeated in the Big East at 16-0. Villanova stands at 13-3 after losing both

games of a double header to Connecticut. "This is an unusual situation for them," says coach Liz Miller on the Wildcats. "Usually the best teams in the Big East are UConn, BC and us."

Villanova stands at a strong 38-6 on the season, but Miller explains that record might be deceiving.

"We will be the best team they've faced all year," Miller said, pointing out that Villanova does not play

the strong schedule that the Irish do. "They haven't faced the pitching they're going to see."

The pitching match-ups will most likely be Notre Dame's Jen Sharron (24-2, 1.04) vs. Villanova's Theresa Hornick (16-1, 0.74) in game 1, followed by Irish hurler Kristin Schmidt (23-1, 0.43) against Wildcat Keri Stoller (19-5, 1.40). Schmidt was the most recent Big East Player of the Week, tossing four shutouts, including a one-hitter and a no-hitter. Miller said Hornick is a drop ball pitcher, while Stoller is a rise ball pitcher.

In addition to dealing with Villanova's strong record, Notre Dame will also have

to counter Villanova's style.

"They have a lot of speed, and a lot of lefties. They're very similar to DePaul," said Miller. "We'll have to adjust defensively."

Villanova showcases two highly talented offensive players in Jackie Pasquerella and Sara Carlson. Pasquerella is hitting .356, but the speedster's best statistic is her 24 steals in 25 chances. Carlson is the slugger of the team, hitting eight home runs with a .753 slugging percentage.

On Saturday, the Irish will complete their Big East schedule at Rutgers in a doubleheader, then look forward to the Big East Championship, starting May 10.



Miller

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Cordova, Indians beat Royals by 13-2 margin

Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Mo. — Marty Cordova hit a 455-foot homer, one of five home runs by Cleveland as the Indians routed the Kansas City Royals 13-2 Tuesday night.

Juan Gonzalez, Eddie Taubensee and Cordova each homered and drove in three runs, and Ellis Burks and Russell Branyan also connected. Gonzalez, who hit a two-run drive off Blake Stein in a six-run seventh, has 29 RBIs in 24 games.

Cleveland, which set a season high for runs, hit all its homers with two outs.

Chuck Finley (2-2) won for the first time in five starts, improving to 16-11 against Kansas City. He allowed two runs and six hits in seven innings.

Chad Durbin (0-1), called up a day earlier from Triple-A Omaha, gave up a two-run homer to Burks in a four-run first and a three-run drive to Taubensee in the fourth that made it 7-0.

Durbin allowed seven runs and five hits in four innings.

Doug Henry gave up the 455-foot drive to Cordova. Three pitchers later, he allowed 435-

foot homer to Branyan.

Durbin, who split time last year between Triple-A Omaha and Kansas City, walked Kenny Lofton leading off the first, then allowed an RBI double to Omar Vizquel. After a walk and a sacrifice, Gonzalez hit a sacrifice fly.

Durbin then retired his next nine batters before Cordova and Branyan singled ahead of Taubensee's homer.

Mike Sweeney's sacrifice fly drove in a run for Kansas City in the fourth after second baseman Roberto Alomar's first error since last Sept. 27. Rey Sanchez had an RBI single in the fifth.

Marlins 4, Cardinals 3

Mike Lowell hit a two-run homer, Andy Benes walked in the tiebreaking run and the Florida Marlins rallied past the St. Louis Cardinals.

St. Louis stranded 11 runners, grounded into three double plays and had a runner tagged out straying off third base on a missed bunt. Florida improved to 3-7 in one-run games.

Rain fell during much of the game, but there were no delays.

Ray Lankford hit his fifth home run and J.D. Drew his ninth in the fourth inning to help St. Louis take a 3-0 lead.

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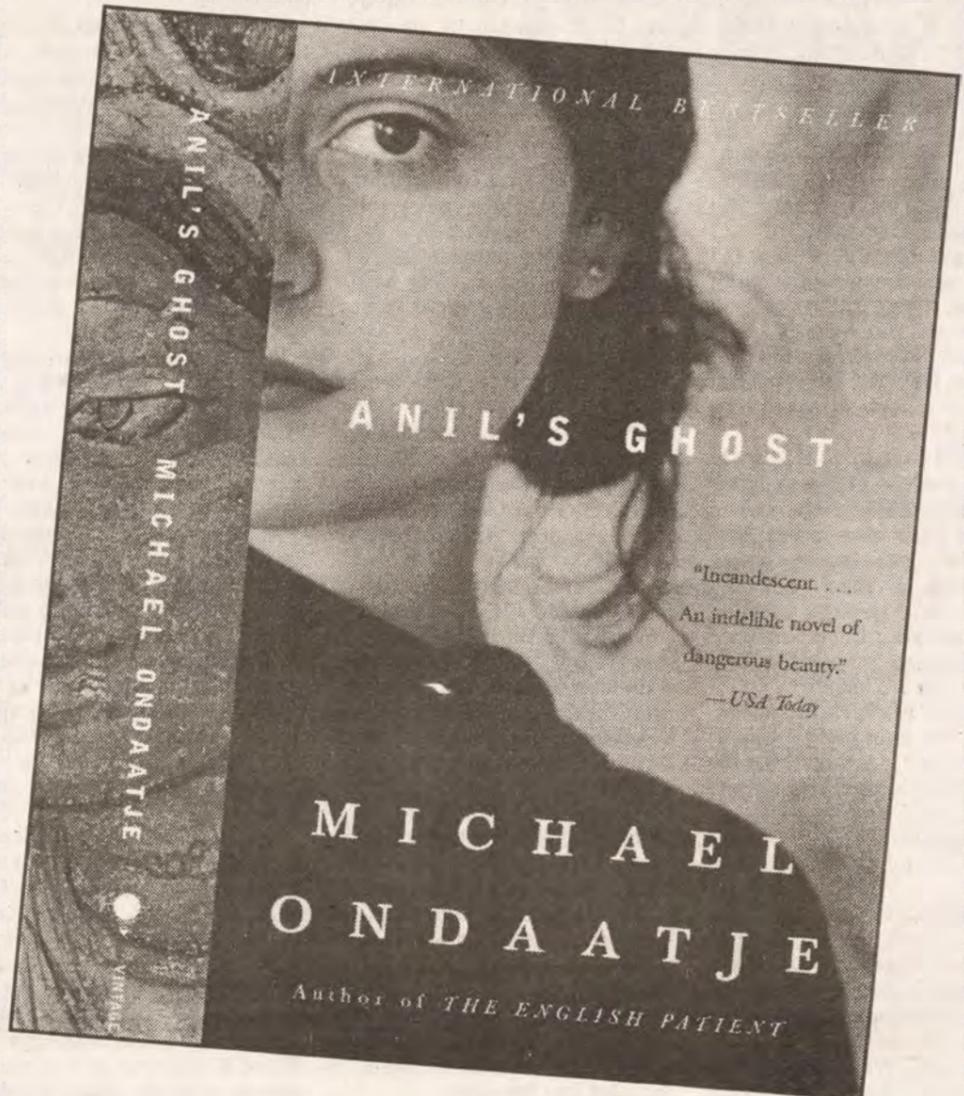
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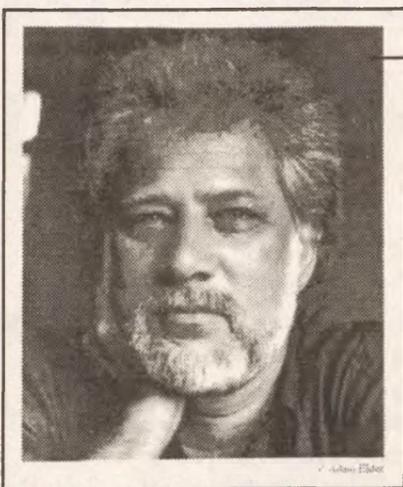
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MEN'S BIG EAST TRACK AND FIELD CHAMPIONSHIPS

Repeat not likely as Irish head to New Jersey

By NOAH AMSTADTER
Sports Editor

A year ago, Notre Dame dominated the Big East outdoor championships, finishing with 164 points to second place Connecticut's 111. But that was a team that boasted graduated senior stars Chris Cochran, Marshaun West, Tim Kober, Phil Mishka and Matt Thompson. Now they all are gone, and some key Irish athletes are competing at less than 100 percent.

"We graduated a ton of points," said Irish head coach Joe Piane. "We'll still score in a lot of areas, but I don't know how many big points we'll get. We'll do OK. We were third indoors, we hope to equal that outdoors."

They will have to do that without the services of top sprinter Tom Gilbert. Gilbert, who owned the team's top time in the 200-meters during the indoor season, is limited to long jumping because of a lingering hamstring injury. Last year Gilbert finished fifth in the long jump with a leap of 23 feet, 11 1/2 inches.

"It kind of works to my advantage for the long jump," Gilbert said. "I'm just jumping at the Big East. Without sprinting, long jumping is going to be a lot easier. Long jump at Big East is going to be my main focus right now."

But Gilbert's event coach, Scott Winsor, doesn't necessarily think Gilbert is competing at his best.

"The only reason he feels comfortable long jumping is because he's not running full speed down the runway," Winsor said. "I've told him that. It's a speed event.

At the same time, if he can't run full speed, you've got to get what you can get."

With Gilbert off the track, the pressure is on senior Travis Davey to produce in his final career Big East meet. Davey, who finished sixth in the 100-meters last season, enters the week with the No. 2 time in the 100-meters and the No. 7 seed in the 200.

"This being his last meet I hope it'll give him a little more inspiration," Irish sprints coach John Millar said of Davey, a New York native likely to compete in front of his family. "On the men's side in the sprints he's going to be key for us."

The injury bug also hit the Irish in the 400-meters. Senior Terry Wray fought off an ankle injury in early April and failed to run a qualifying time for the meet in the 400, his main event. With Wray out, only freshman James Bracken will compete in the 400, while Wray will strengthen the Irish 4x400-meter relay team.

Wray will be joined on that team by Mike Mansour, Napoleon Suarez and Bracken. With Gilbert out, Millar will field a 4x100-meter relay squad of Davey, Mansour, Marton Gyulai and Bill Hurd.

Suarez and Mark Barber, Notre Dame's freshman hurdlers, both should compete for points. Barber placed first in the 110-meter hurdles at Purdue last weekend in a time of 14.86 seconds while ending up second in the 400-meter hurdles at 56.23. Suarez ran the 400-meter hurdles in 53.75 seconds, a time ranked ninth in the conference heading into the week.

"He ran well and he's come around," Millar said of Barber. "If he continues to improve, he may be able to sneak in there and score some points. At least you feel like he's going to be competitive."

The Irish should be strong in the triple jump and high jump with the return of junior Quillian Redwine. Redwine, who underwent knee surgery in March, posted a 47-7 mark in the triple jump at Purdue last weekend. He already has cleared 6-11 in the high jump outdoors this season.

"He's doing a great job," Winsor said. "We're going to need to get some good points out of both of those events."

Winsor is looking for rejuvenated efforts from the No. 2 athletes in each of Redwine's events. In the high jump, Andrew Cooper finished first at the indoor conference meet, but has gone out early the past two weekends.

"He assured me yesterday that he'll be ready to go," Winsor said. "Coming from Coop, I like that. I'm confident he'll do well."

Godwin Mbagwu, who cleared 50 feet in the triple jump during the indoor season, sat out the last two weeks to nurse an ailing knee. Mbagwu will compete alongside Gilbert in the long jump and Redwine and Scott Kelley in the triple jump.

"I think he's feeling really really good," Winsor said. "He's feeling refreshed and healthy. He's going to have to perform for us to finish where we want to be."

In the pole vault, Josh Heck — who finished second during the indoor season — should compete for the title while teammate Joe Yanof is expected to compete for points. It is uncertain whether



TIM KACMAR/The Observer

Marton Gyulai passes the baton to Godwin Mbagwu at a home meet earlier this season. Gyulai will run in the 4x100 relay while Mbagwu competes in the long jump and triple jump.

Nathan Cahill, nursing a sore hamstring, will compete.

"Josh is doing real well," Winsor said. "He's on the verge of vaulting real well. He can go out there and if he vaults well he can win."

In the throws, the Irish hopes rest on Derek Dyer, who is seeded first in the discus. Freshman Juan Alba is also expected to score in the disc.

"[Dyer is] seeded No. 1 and if he can go out there and throw well he can win it," Winsor said. "For the men to do what we want them to do, our throwers are going to have to pick up some points."

John Scolaro and Brian

Thornburg will be looked at in the hammer, while Matt O'Brien and Mike Madigan are expected to score points in the javelin.

In the distance races, the Irish are peaking at the right time. Ryan Shay has qualified for the NCAA's in the 5,000- and 10,000 meters, while Pat Conway has posted impressive marks in the 1,500 meters. Freshman David Alber finished second in the 3,000-meter steeplechase at Purdue.

"I think we're starting to come together," Shay said. "Everyone on the team no matter what event knows that everyone to a man is going to have to come through for us to do well."

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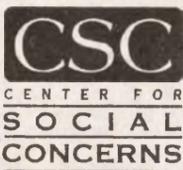
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Baseball

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Ogilvie kept the ball down and made us infielders look good."

Ogilvie's performance has been typical of the sophomore this season, and the righthander has turned into the Irish's most reliable mid-week starter. With Tuesday's win Ogilvie took his season record to 4-1 and secured his first complete game.

Mainieri saw control as the essence of Ogilvie's performance.

"He had total command of his pitches," Mainieri said.

"After the first inning, I felt I pitched pretty well," said Ogilvie, who leads the team in ERA with a 1.20 mark. "My curveball was on."

The first inning saw Michigan score its only run of the game.

Wolverine leadoff hitter Scott O'Tousa opened the inning with a single, and after Brock Koman knocked a double to move O'Tousa to third. He eventually scored on a sacrifice fly by rightfielder

Gino Lollo.

O'Tousa was the only Wolverine hitter Ogilvie didn't dominate, as the senior second baseman had three of Michigan's five hits.

The Irish struck back with two runs in the second, and again rallied in the seventh for four more runs.

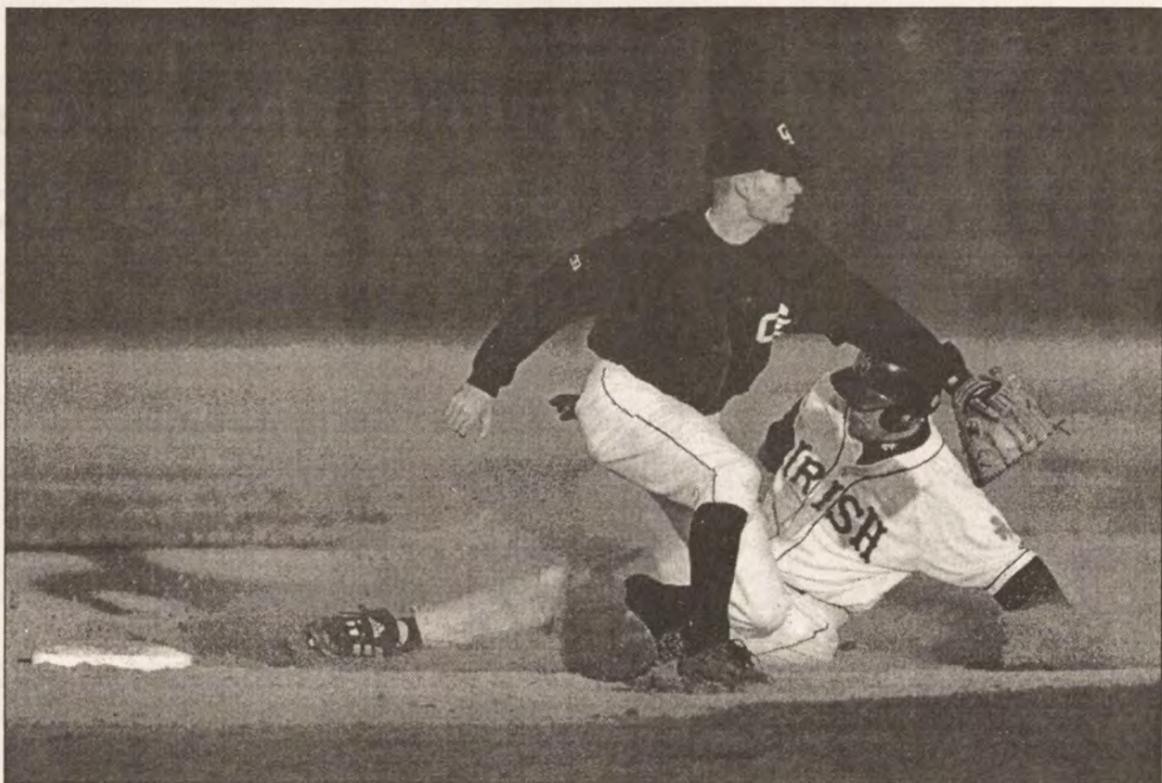
Ogilvie was glad to see his team take the lead early. "Once our offense put a couple of runs on the board, it was

better," he said.

The Irish ran their record to 41-6-1 this season, and tangle with Western Michigan at home in Frank Eck Stadium today.

"After the first inning, I felt I pitched pretty well. My curveball was on."

Pete Ogilvie
pitcher



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WOMEN'S TENNIS

Belles look to end season with championship

By KATIE McVOY
Associate Sports Editor

It's time to live happily ever after. After finishing a fairy tale season with a perfect record in the MIAA, the Saint Mary's tennis team is looking for the first-ever MIAA title in Saint Mary's history at this MIAA Championships this weekend.



Knish

With an 8-1 victory against Calvin on April 10, the team clinched a historic first place finish in the regular season. All that's left is the ending.

A win at the Championships would top off a dominant 7-0 MIAA season. Beginning with a 9-0 victory against Adrian in March and wrapping up with a 9-0 win against Alma last weekend, strong play all season has answered the question of which team is the best. Now the Belles have to prove it one final time.

"We're really excited and we're looking to go in there and finally take a championship," team co-captain Annie Knish said.

Although any member of the team could come home from the tournament a champion, the team is looking to freshman Kaitlin Cutler to win the No. 4 singles championship. Cutler has finished the season with a perfect record in both MIAA play and non-conference play.

"Kaitlin Cutler is undefeated at No. 4 singles," team captain Annie Knish said. "It would be no shock to us if she brought home a conference championship."

Cutler is not the only Belle who has faced MIAA competition undefeated this season. Joining their classmate on the undefeated list in singles, are freshmen Jeannie Knish and Kris Spriggle and sophomore Elisa Ryan. Ryan dropped only one MIAA match in No. 3 doubles against Hope.

As freshmen, Knish and Spriggle have both completed excellent seasons. Knish finished her first year in college competition with only two losses on the year, both to Div. I competi-

tion. Spriggle also dropped only two matches, playing all season despite recurring blisters. Both are looking to add a conference championship to an already successful season.

"I'm looking to win, but I know its going to be difficult especially with some of the three-setters I played," Spriggle said. "I'm going to have to step it up and stay focused."

Ryan also faces the possibility of coming home a champion. The sophomore, playing her second full season of college tennis, dropped only one match all season in singles.

No. 1 and No. 2 singles players Annie Knish and Natalie Cook, although lacking undefeated records, are ready to make the day work for them.

"If it's our day, it's our day," Knish said. "Everyone's had a real strong season and anything could happen out there."

Knish dropped two singles matches to league competition, falling to Albion's Tracy Gray and Hope's Kristen Kooyer. Knish is looking to repeat her close victory against Calvin's No. 1 singles player and revenge her losses to Gray and Kooyer.

"The greatest win I had was against Calvin's No. 1 singles player and I won that match 6-4, 7-5," Knish said. "I'm looking to take home another win against her. I'm playing the best I've played all season and I'm looking to go in there with a positive attitude."

Cook also dropped two matches, one to Albion's Amiee Greene, the other to Calvin's Sally Slodinski.

The Saint Mary's doubles teams have been the consistent point winners for the Belles. The three teams have only dropped two matches out of 21 during MIAA play. Jeannie Knish and Cutler are undefeated in the MIAA at No. 2 singles. Annie Knish and Cook have posted a 6-1 record at No. 1 doubles and Ryan and sophomore Trisha Jones wrapped up a 6-1 record at No. 2 doubles with a win over Alma on Saturday.

The tournament is run on an individual basis. Each player plays off for places, securing a spot between one and seven. Team scores are tallied from the results of individual place finishes.

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Irish athletes take home honors at all-sport banquet

Special to the Observer

Ruth Riley, who led the Irish women's basketball team to the 2001 NCAA title and was the national women's basketball

player-of-the-year, was the recipient of two of the Notre Dame Athletic Department's major awards presented at the seventh annual All-Sports Banquet Monday night at the Joyce Center Fieldhouse.

The banquet honored more than 700 student-athletes from its 26 varsity sports with CBS Sports' Lesley Visser serving as the keynote speaker. The three major athletic awards presented were — The Byron V. Kanaley

Awards, The Francis Patrick O'Connor Award and The Chris Zorich Service Award. In addition, a member of each of team was selected from the Notre Dame Club of St. Joseph Valley Rockne Student-Athlete Award and the Notre Dame National Monogram Club MVP.

Riley was one of four recipients of the Byron V. Kanaley Awards, the most prestigious honors presented to monogram athletes who have been exemplary as both students and athletes. Joining her as Kanaley Award winners were baseball standout Mike Naumann, swimmer Matt Hedden and men's soccer midfielder/defender Connor LaRose.

In addition to being one of four Kanaley honorees, Riley also was the winner of The Christopher Zorich Award which was first presented in 1998. It was created to recognize the contributions of Notre Dame student-athletes to the University and the community at-large. The award holds the name of Christopher Zorich, a two-time football All-American and 1991 graduate.

Tennis All-American Michelle Dasso and men's soccer player Reggie McKnight are the winners of this year's Francis Patrick O'Connor Award. Since 1973, the University has presented this award named for a student-athlete who died in 1973 following his freshman year at Notre Dame. Pat O'Connor was the son of William "Bucky" O'Connor who played guard in football for Notre Dame in the 1940's.

The award honors one female and one male student-athlete who best display the total embodiment of the true spirit of Notre Dame as exemplified by their contributions and inspirations to their respective teams. To be considered, student-athletes must possess those qualities attributed to Pat O'Connor himself — caring, courage, confidence, encouragement, humility, honesty, humor, kindness and patience.

Riley distinguished herself in 2000-01 as the best player in women's college basketball winning nearly every player-of-the-year accolade, including the Associated Press and Naismith awards. The two-time Associated Press All-American was named the Most Outstanding Player at the NCAA Final Four and Midwest Regional. The Irish co-captain became the first KODAK All-American in the history of the women's basketball program at Notre Dame when she was named to the 10-member squad this season.

In addition, she swept all three major Big East Conference awards and was recognized as the league's player of the year, defensive player of the year (earning that honor for the third straight year) and women's basketball scholar-athlete of the year. She also was honored as the Big East's overall female scholar-athlete award winner.

Riley led the Irish in scoring and rebounding for the third consecutive in 2000-01 as she averaged 18.7 points and 7.8 rebounds. She is the only player in Notre Dame history to score more than 2,000 points and 1,000 rebounds with career totals of 2,072 and 1,007, respectively.

A two-time first-team Verizon Academic All-American, Riley also was selected as the

Women's Basketball Academic All-American of the Year in 2001. A member of the Academic Honors Program at Notre Dame which pairs gifted student-athletes with a faculty mentor, she has been named to the Dean's List all seven semesters and owns a 3.648 grade point average.

Coupled with her athletic and academic accomplishments, Riley was been extremely involved with Notre Dame's Life Skills Program and has been the featured speaker at many local schools within the South Bend community throughout her four years at the school and has participated in many local service projects involving elementary, middle and high school age students.

Hedden, a two-year monogram winner on the men's swimming and diving team, he served as team co-captain in 2000-01 and helped the Irish to a 7-2 dual meet record. The recipient of the Charles Blanchard award for outstanding contributions in physics, he has the highest cumulative grade points average on the men's swimming team with a 3.927 grade index in physics. Last October, Hedden traveled to Williamsburg, Va., to present a research paper in physics to the Division of Nuclear Physics of the American Physical Society.

LaRose, a three-year starter in the midfield for the Irish and a tri-captain of the men's soccer team in 2000, collected three goals and dished off seven assists during his career. Enrolled as a pre-professional major with a second major in economics, he has been named to the Dean's List on four occasions and owns a cumulative grade point average of 3.449. He earned his first 4.00 grade index perfect 4.00 grade index following the 2000 fall semester and has been a three-time member of the Big East Academic All-Star team. LaRose also was a third-team selection to the NSCAA Scholar-Athlete squad.

Naumann, a three-year monogram winner, is a member of Notre Dame's pitching rotation that leads the nation with a 2.51 earned run average. The only left-handed pitcher on the Irish roster, he has a 3-1 record this season and overall 10-2 career mark. He has helped the Irish to the No. 1 ranking in this season as his team has compiled a 40-6-1 record.

Naumann owns a 3.92 overall grade point average and has earned a perfect 4.00 grade index on three occasions. He was Notre Dame's male scholar-athlete nominee for the annual Big East Conference award and has been named to the league's Academic All-Star squad three times.

McKnight, a four-year monogram winner, started 29 of the 66 games for the Irish men's soccer team, and scored five goals, while dishing off seven assists. A member of the Academic Honors Program and a Dean's List student, he is an American Studies major with a 3.463 grade point average. McKnight has been extensively involved in Notre Dame's Life Skills Program and participated in the NCAA Foundation Leadership Conference in May of 1999. A three-time member of the Big East Academic All-Star team, he earned the Notre Dame Club of St. Joseph Valley Rockne Student-Athlete award as a junior.

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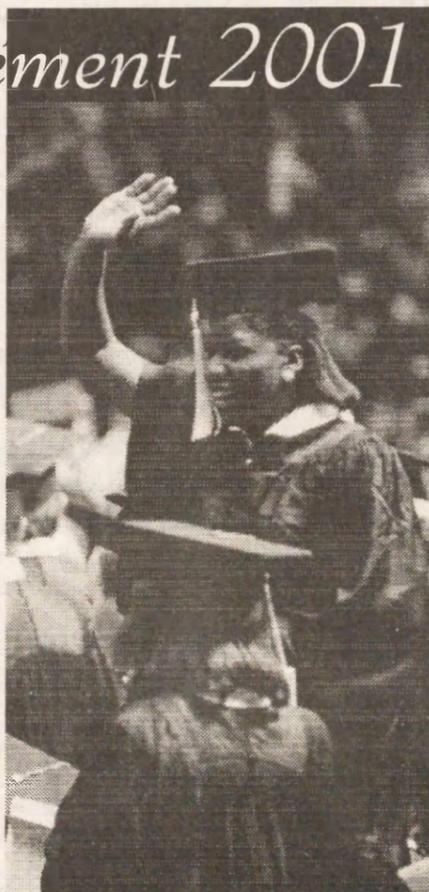
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WOMEN'S TRACK AND FIELD

Grow hopes to overcome two losses to take home gold

By NOAH AMSTADTER
Sports Editor

Liz Grow is looking for redemption — in a small, golden package that she can hang around her neck.

When the Irish head to New Jersey this weekend for the Big East outdoor track championships, Grow — the 2000 indoor champion in the 400-meters — will try to overcome two straight losing performances in her main event. She finished fourth at the 2000 outdoor meet and second at this year's indoor championships.

"I'm definitely ready," Grow said. "I didn't have a good outdoor meet last year. I'm ready to get out there and kick some butt."

The Irish finished tied for third at the outdoor championships in 2000, a finish head coach Joe Piane feels his team can surpass.

"A lot of the women didn't graduate from last year's group. We're a little bit stronger than we were so we'd like to think we can be as good if not a better than we were at last year's meet," Piane said. "We can get points in a lot of areas."

For the first time in recent memory, one of those areas is the sprint relay teams. The Irish bring the top 4x100-meter relay time into Piscataway, an NCAA provisionally qualifying mark of 44.74 seconds.

The team of Grow, Kristen Dodd, Ayesha Boyd and Tameisha King clocked in at 45.44 last weekend at the Drake Relays.

"We've never had a strong sprint relay until this year," Grow said. "We're competing on a national level. It's going to be awesome to take that home."

Subtract King from that group and add sophomore Kymia Love and the relay becomes Notre Dame's 4x400-meter squad that provisionally qualified for the NCAA's at Drake with a time of 3:37.06. Despite his teams' recent success, Irish sprints coach John Millar is taking nothing for granted at the Big East meet.

"I think we're fourth in the conference in the 4x400," Millar said. "Georgetown, Seton Hall, Pitt and Miami are ahead of us. In the 4x100 I think we're second behind Seton Hall."

The Irish sprint core will also be relying on Boyd, Dodd, Love and King in individual events.

In the field events, Jaime Volkmer and Dore DeBartolo have busy weekends ahead of them.

Volkmer will compete in the pole vault, triple jump and long jump.

She broke her own school record in the pole vault last weekend at Purdue, clearing 12 feet, 6 inches.

Irish field events coach Scott Winsor says Volkmer, just six inches off of qualifying for the NCAA's, is vaulting with added confidence as of late.

"I think she's just now understanding the vault," Winsor said. "Knowing that when she leaves the ground she has left the ground in a way that is going to get her penetration into the pit, so she's not going to miss the pit. If you leave the ground with that confidence, it's going to help the whole vault. She's vaulting with much more confidence."

While she is expected to compete for first in the pole vault, Winsor is just hoping to see

Volkmer compete for points in the long and triple. "I'm just hoping that she can be fourth or fifth," Winsor said of the triple jump. "She's going to have to perform very well to do that. The national champion in the triple jump came from the Big East two years ago. It's a very, very competitive event."

DeBartolo will throw the shot put, discus, hammer and javelin in a busy weekend.

Winsor expects the junior to score points in the shot put, hammer and discus — an event he feels she can win. The team's hopes of competing for a high overall finish depend on it.

"Our women have a shot," Winsor said. "We can go out there and be in it. For us to do that our throws kind of rely on Dore. She's going to need to go out there and perform."

King, who finished second in the long jump at the conference meet a year ago with a leap of 21-1 1/2, comes in this year

ranked third.

Winsor thinks she can do better after not long jumping last weekend.

"We gave her the weekend off from jumping. I think she needed it," Winsor said. "She's going to have to step up to the plate. She's seeded third and she's going to have to place hopefully better than third. She's definitely capable of jumping further than she has this year."

In the final field event, Winsor thinks freshman Jennifer Kearney can score in the high jump.

"She's going to have to go and clear 5-7 on her first attempt," Winsor said. "Misses are always crucial in the pole vault and the high jump. It can drop you three places in a heartbeat."

In the distance races, the Irish are led by freshman Megan Johnson. Johnson finished third at the Mt. Sac relays in the 1,500-meters earlier this spring with a time of 4:30.66.



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Irish sprinter Liz Grow competes in a relay earlier this season. She will compete at the Big East championships this weekend.

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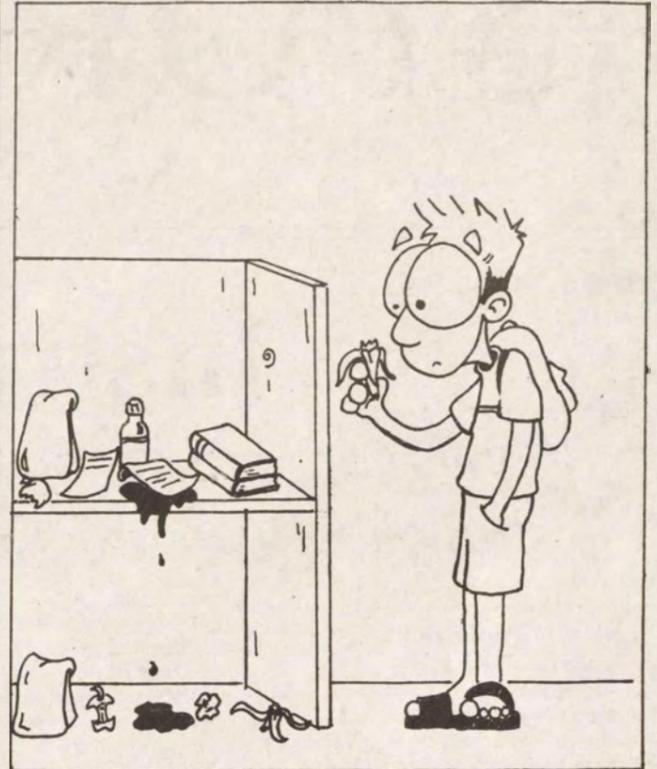
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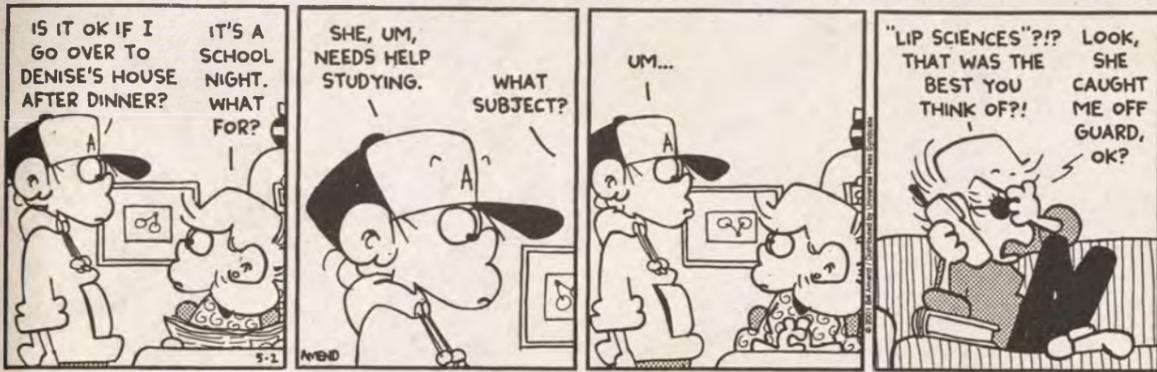
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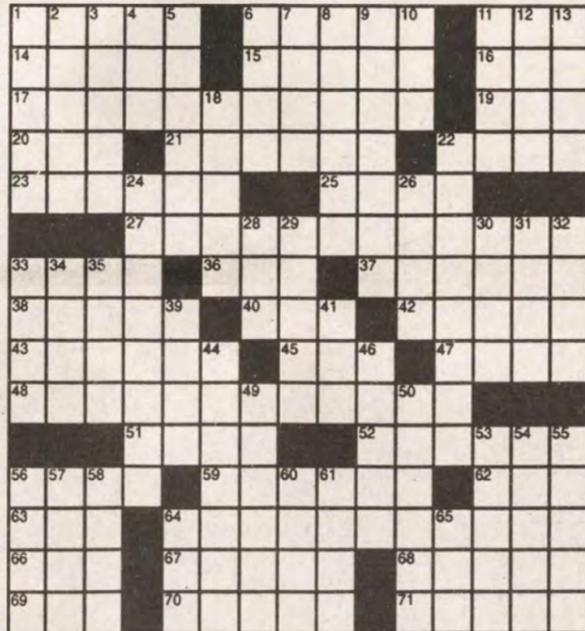
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Big drawer?
 - 6 Duck
 - 11 Groundskeeper's purchase
 - 14 Be of service to
 - 15 Kind of pie
 - 16 Forum greeting
 - 17 Blithe fish?
 - 19 Good time, informally
 - 20 Suffix with block
 - 21 From the sticks
 - 22 Spill the beans
 - 23 Tightly packed
 - 25 Shake off
 - 27 South American misfit?
 - 33 Item on a card
 - 36 Ingrid's "Anastasia" co-star
- DOWN**
- 37 Word with sand or bottom
 - 38 Sen. Hatch
 - 40 Tattoo favorite
 - 42 Cut's partner
 - 43 More crackers
 - 45 Start of a triple jump
 - 47 Oodles
 - 48 Elvis movie sequel?
 - 51 Slave girl of opera
 - 52 Liver is good for it
 - 56 Act the mother hen
 - 59 Exasperating
 - 62 Dancer Miller
 - 63 Bit of binary code
 - 64 Forbidden tea?
 - 66 Fix, in a way
- DOWN**
- 1 Colorful parrot
 - 2 Duck
 - 3 Had a feeling
 - 4 Ltd., in Paris
 - 5 Noyes or Nobel
 - 6 With 61-Down, a Big 12 campus city
 - 7 ___ Cong
 - 8 Treasury Secretary Paul
 - 9 Freezing
 - 10 First of 50: Abbr.
 - 11 It's a long story
 - 12 Like an oxeye window
 - 13 Pigeonhole's place
 - 18 Not pale, as a complexion
 - 22 Prevaricate
 - 24 Was creative
 - 26 Pen provisions
 - 28 No-good
 - 29 Western airline
 - 30 To boot
 - 31 Drudge in cyberspace
 - 32 Son of Zeus
 - 33 Long pass

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE



Puzzle by Greg Staples

- 34 Like some traditions
 - 35 Language of Pakistan
 - 39 Nostalgic soft drink
 - 41 Pronoun for Miss Piggy
 - 44 Extend, as spokes
 - 46 Eighty-eight
 - 49 Sing like a bird
 - 50 They're full of bullion
 - 53 Language from which "kiwi" comes
 - 54 Central
 - 55 Frequent Woody Allen theme
 - 56 Driver's alert
 - 57 Module
 - 58 Nintendo rival
 - 60 Zen riddle
 - 61 See 6-Down
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 - 65 "Well, ___-dih!"
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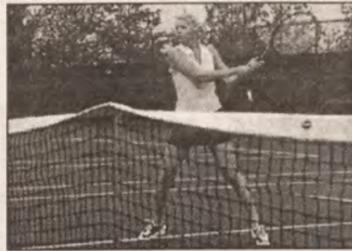
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The Saint Mary's tennis team is looking to wrap up a fairy tale season at the MIAA Championship Saturday.
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MEN'S SOCCER

Instructing the Irish

Bobby Clark brings focus to struggling Irish program

By NOAH AMSTADTER
Sports Editor

Change is in the air. After a 7-8-2 season in which the Irish men's soccer team failed to qualify for the NCAA Tournament, the Notre Dame athletic department decided not to re-hire interim head coach Chris Apple. Instead, they launched a nationwide search for a head coach that netted Bobby Clark, Stanford's head coach since 1996.

As the head of the Cardinal program, Clark's teams amassed a 71-21-12 record in five years, including a trip to the NCAA Championship game in 1998. Before Clark's arrival, the Stanford program struggled to finish above .500.

The native of Scotland becomes the third Irish head coach in three seasons. Mike Berticelli coached the Irish for 10 seasons before his sudden death last winter. Following Berticelli's death, assistant coach Apple was named head coach. Apple is now the head coach at his alma mater, Rochester.

Teaching the Game

Clark coached at Dartmouth before coming to Notre Dame and prides himself in his role as a teacher — a role many players found lacking in the program last season.

"I'd like to think that I am a teacher," Clark said. "I want to think that would be my biggest strength. Hopefully I can satisfy that need. That would be possibly my strongest suit."

In fact, it was that desire to teach talented student athletes that brought Clark to coach in America.

"I think that was the way I always looked at my reasons for coming to

this country to work in soccer was the fact that I could both work with top-class athletes and I could also be a teacher," Clark said. "If I stayed in Scotland, there doesn't really exist that opportunity."

So Clark relished the opportunity to work with the caliber of athletes that play in the NCAA, first at Dartmouth, and later at Stanford.

"Coming to a Dartmouth, to a Stanford and certainly to a Notre Dame, this gives you a tremendous opportunity to work with smart young guys, who also may be the top athletes in the country," he said. "For me it's a perfect situation."

What Clark finds most attractive about such challenging academic institutions is the type of student-athletes they attract.

"Most people who come to places like Stanford and Notre Dame are very highly motivated," Clark said. "The one thing you can do when you take over a program, you can't change the personnel, you can't alter the skill level dramatically, but what you can alter is the attitude and the desire."

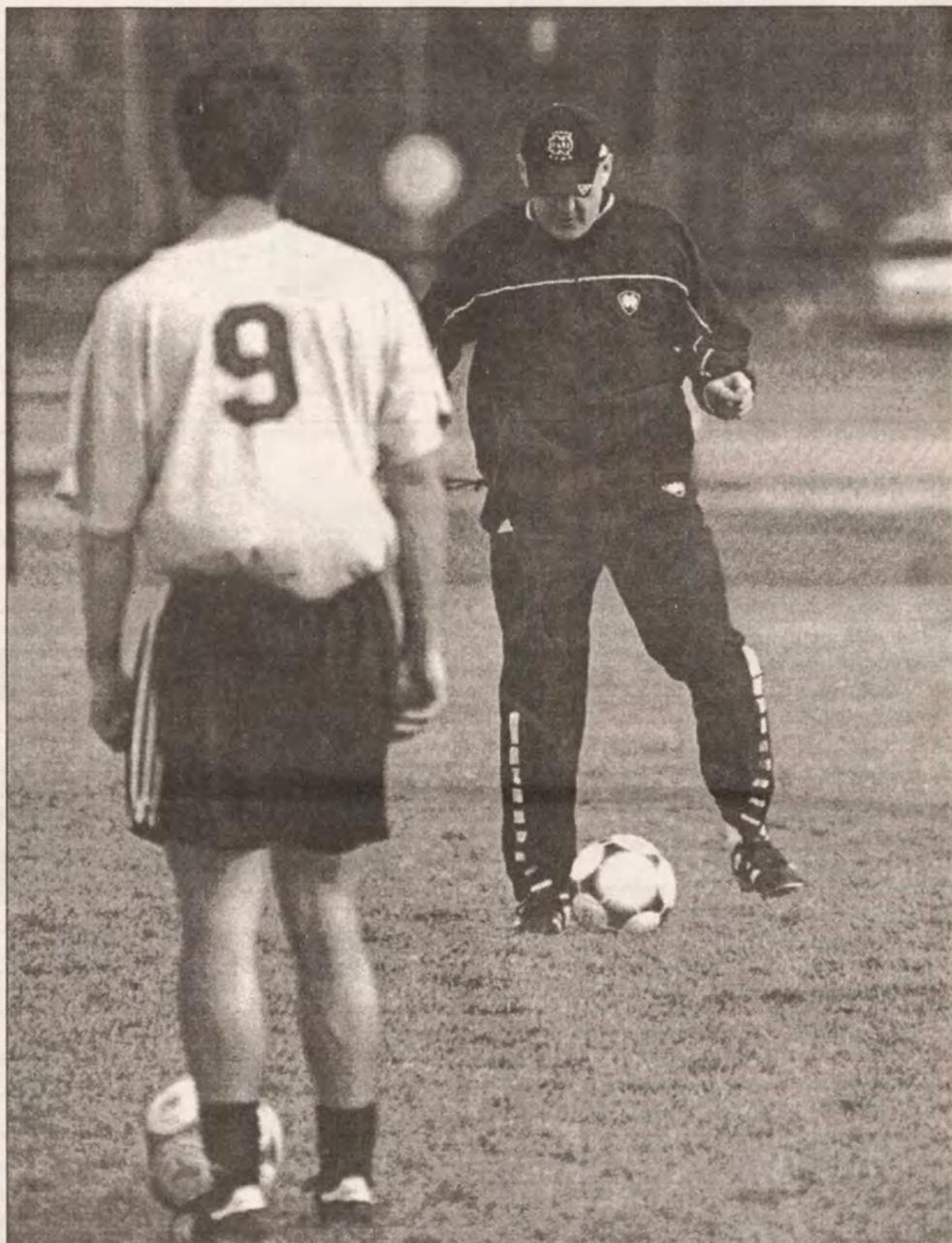
Clark noticed this trend just after arriving in South Bend and observing the Irish women's basketball team's run to a national title.

"What Muffet McGraw has done, as far as I understand she had no McDonalds All-Americans on her team, was win a national championship and win it well," Clark said. "We've got people that really want to do well in the college years."

First step

The teaching started this spring, as the team practiced daily from mid-March on and posted a 3-2-2 record

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BRIAN PUCEVICH/The Observer

Irish men's soccer coach Bobby Clark demonstrates a technique for rising sophomore Filippo Chillemi during a practice earlier this spring.

Ogilvie leads Irish to 9-1 blowout against Wolverines

By JEFF BALTRUZAK
Assistant Sports Editor

When it's Michigan, don't expect Notre Dame to take the game lightly.

Michigan was on the receiving end of the Irish drive in a 9-1 blowout of the Wolverines Tuesday at Comstock Park, Mich.

Starting righthander Peter Ogilvie pacified the Maize and

Gold, giving up just five hits and a single run in his complete game effort.



Ogilvie

the upperclassmen always

look forward to this game," said senior shortstop Alec Porzel, who had an RBI in the contest. "You can't help but get excited."

Irish head coach Paul Mainieri readily agreed with his captain.

"I can't lie, I think there's a little extra energy in our guys when you look over and see 'Michigan' across their chests," he said.

The Irish offense jumped up

early on the Wolverines and continually put Michigan pitching on the ropes, guided by Porzel's two hits and multi-hit performances by center-fielder Steve Stanley and designated hitter Ken Meyer.

"On offense, every time we had an opportunity the guys came through with the big hit," said Mainieri.

Lost this season among the Irish's nationally recognized pitching staff and resurgent

offense has been defense. Notre Dame didn't make an error against the Wolverines, and the defensive effort was punctuated by what Mainieri called "major-league plays" in the field.

Stanley complimented his offensive outbreak with several highlight catches in center-field.

"The defense played out of its mind," said Porzel. "Pete

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The Finish Line

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Belles cross finish line victorious

Standing at the finish line and looking back at the race, the runner hopes she has achieved a victory. Maybe her victory is a first place finish, a personal best or a new record. But perhaps her victory is simply finishing the race.



Katie McVoy

She looks back at the time she has spent preparing. She looks at the last year, the last month, the last week, the last 10 seconds of the race. She thinks about each step on the way to the finish line and she wonders what she has accomplished.

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She thinks about the sweat of hard work, the pain of losing and the tears of victory. She looks at where she stands now and she wonders if she has won.

The Belles are approaching the finish line. But it's not just the end of a race they are facing, it's the end of an era. There is one final race to run and when it is over they will stand wondering what they have accomplished.

On Saturday, each member of the Saint Mary's track team will put on her uniform for the last time. She will ask her coach for some final advice for the last time. She will wish her friends luck as a teammate for the last time. And she will cross the finish line for the last time.

The race will be over and there is no starting line in the

future. Next year, with no starting line to look at, there will be plenty of time to look at the race from the finish line. What kind of race was it?

It was a race for survival, it was a race for the love of a sport and it was a race full of sacrifice.

The 11 women who will be taking part in the MIAA championship meet on Saturday will be looking at the sweat of their hard work, the pain of their losses and the tears of victory.

The sweat of hard work

All season the Belles have struggled to raise money to keep the team in existence. They have worked at fundraisers and called on their fellow students to show their support. Each one has labored at practice to reach a personal best and show the Saint Mary's community she is not going to go out quietly.

The team meets daily to practice. It travels the distance not only in the race, but just to reach practice. These women are willing to spend the time traveling to Saint Joseph High School or to Notre Dame to use facilities that are currently unavailable to them. They have worked at every meet they have competed in, some of them participating and placing in three, four or even five events on any given Saturday.

The sweat that has fallen from their hard work has reached ground that will be broken as a new era begins in Saint Mary's athletics.

The pain of loss

It's obvious where the loss of this race lies. Early this semester Saint

Mary's athletic director Lynn Kachmarik announced that the athletic department would no longer sponsor a varsity track team. The 2001 season would be the last one for now.

The women of the track team face losing a sport they have been dedicated to for most of their lives. They face the loss of a coach who has supported their school for 18 years without asking for anything in return. They face the loss of the comradeship created by working together and supporting each other as a team.

But even these great losses may find justification in the victory that has been achieved by these women in the last months of their existence as a team.

The tears of victory

It is a bittersweet day that has come for the women of this team. Victory is theirs, but it does not come without tears.

The accomplishments of this race are more than can be counted. Each member of the Saint Mary's track team that has crossed this final finish line should cross with her head held high. She has crossed the hardest finish line of all — the finish line that brings with it a start for someone else.

Participation numbers have doubled since last season. Four school records have been broken, and the Belles have a possible national qualifier among their numbers. Those are worthy accomplishments in any race. But those are not the ultimate victory.

With the finish of this race, the track team has promised a new beginning for the athletic department. By sacrificing a sport that they love, these



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Freshman Anne Dudding passes the baton to teammate Becky Shepkowski during a practice for the 4x100 relay.

women have opened the door for a new era in Saint Mary's athletics.

The department has been struggling with a limited budget, and in order to move forward towards a new starting line, some race had to end. But now, the new starting line is at least in sight. And think of the possibilities — a first class athletic program that highlights the importance of the life of the body, consistent first place finishes in the MIAA, a new track team with equipment worthy of women who won't give up.

Thanks to the sacrifice of one group of women, these things are now possible.

Standing at the finish line and looking back at the race, these women can say that victory was theirs.

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

Up close and personal with the Belles



Adebamowo

Kemi Adebamowo
Year: 2004
Hometown: New Orleans, La.
Events and personal bests:
Shotput
Discus
Javelin - 85 feet
Notes: Recently recovering from a sprained ACL.



Garcia

Nicole Garcia
Year: 2004
Hometown: Mishawaka, Ind.
Events and personal bests:
1,500 - 5:42
3,000 - 11:52



Shepkowski

Becky Shepkowski
Year: 2004
Hometown: Coal City, Ill.
Events and personal bests:
Long jump - 14-2
Triple jump - 32-7
4 x 100 relay



Bergeman

Kara Bergeman
Year: 2001
Hometown: Milan, Ohio
Events and personal bests:
Javelin - 49-11
Shotput - 25-0
Discus - 69-7
Notes: Team co-captain



Graf

Laura Graf
Year: 2002
Hometown: Aberdeen, S.D.
Events and personal bests:
800 - 2:19.77
Notes: Graf's 800 time is second in the league, possibly good enough for a national qualifier



Stoerger

Lauren Stoerger
Year: 2004
Hometown: Cisco, Ill.
Events and personal bests:
Javelin - 76-0
Notes: Recovering from three stress fractures



Burket

Erica Burket
Year: 2002
Hometown: Grand Rapids, Mich.
Events and personal bests:
100 hurdles - 16.24 (record)
triple jump - 34-0 (record)
high jump, 400 hurdles
Notes: Team co-captain



Omarova

Akmaral Omarova
Year: 2002
Hometown: Almaty, Kazakhtan
Events and personal bests:
long jump - 12-7
triple jump - 27-5



Thompson

Jaclyn Thompson
Year: 2004
Hometown: Clinton, Mass.
Events and personal bests:
pole vault - 8-6 (record)
Notes: Thompson is the first pole vaulter in Saint Mary's history.



Dudding

Anne Dudding
Year: 2004
Hometown: St. Joseph, Mich.
Events and personal bests:
100 hurdles - 18.76



Ross

Whitney Ross
Year: 2003
Hometown: Barrington, Ill.
Events and personal bests:
1,500 - 5:36
3,000 - 13:05
Notes: Missed last season because of a knee injury

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Easy going to the very end

◆ Szczechowski wraps up 18 years as Belles coach

By NOREEN GILLESPIE
Sports Writer

Like he has done every afternoon for 18 seasons, coach Larry Szczechowski walked out behind the softball diamond Monday, two under-



Szczechowski

class athletes following in his footsteps. He lifted the door of a dilapidated, paint-chipped garage on the back of Saint Mary's property and took out equipment for the afternoon practice.

Out of sight from the main doors of Angela Athletic Facility and hidden by the freshly-painted dugouts of the softball field, Szczechowski made small talk with his players about biology finals, about the upcoming MIAA championship meet, about the afternoon's practice. On a makeshift green where two of the field athletes practice javelin and discus, he offered cautious advice, casually supervising, never getting excited.

"Not so high," he called out to freshman Laura Stoeger, who continually pushed the coach's limits by throwing harder. "You don't want a sore arm for Saturday."

But then again, that's Coach Ski — cool, calm and collected. Even at the heels of a Jan. 30 administrative decision that means his 18-year tenure as coach of Belles track and field will end along with the program, his calm demeanor has held the last fragments of the team together. Like he's done for the past 18 years, Coach Ski makes do with what he has — even if there's not much left.

The lone coach for a team of 13, Szczechowski has coached the Belles team flying solo for the past 15 seasons. Spreading himself over the sprinters, the distance runners and the field events, Szczechowski has been a one-man show, driving the team in the school van to away contests and setting up agreements with Notre Dame and St. Joe High School so his athletes can practice on real facilities. When the numbers dwindled on his team, he went out on a recruiting campaign by himself to boost the numbers.

"He is going so far and beyond the resources that Saint Mary's is giving him," said Lyn Kachmarik, director of athletics. "He'd do it for free, but he shouldn't be doing this for free."

Szczechowski is the longest-employed member of the entire Saint Mary's athletic department. He has worked under four separate athletic directors and has been the only stable figurehead of the nine varsity sports that have trouble retaining coaches for longer than three years. With no practice facilities, dwindling roster numbers and low pay, it's hardly the dream coaching job.

But he doesn't care.

"To me, the best thing that

ever happens to me in coaching is when an athlete says, 'Coach, that's the best I have ever done,' he said. "We have people here that over the years have gotten the opportunity for recognition ... it's just the dedication you get out of people and [the] desire to improve."

His attitude is not lost on his athletes, who range from 1999 All-American Stacy Davis to this year's senior captain Kara Bergeman — who wouldn't have even joined the track and field team at Saint Mary's had it not been for Szczechowski's coaching approach.

"He is the only reason why I joined," Bergeman said. "I went to the track meeting freshman year, and wasn't going to sign up. But there was just something about him that said, 'It's OK, you'll be able to make it.'"

For Bergeman and the other athletes on the track and field team, Szczechowski continues to make it OK, arriving early and staying late during scheduled practice times to accommodate athletes with conflicting majors, clubs and commitments. He runs three separate practices a day for the distance runners, the sprinters, and the field events after his full-time job as a physical education teacher for South Bend Public Schools.

But again, he doesn't care.

"It's not that hard," he said. "For any track athlete, you don't need to spend a whole lot of time [practicing.] You can be done in an hour and a half, two hours."

After 18 years of effort — of making do with what he's got — Szczechowski will turn in his varsity coaching towel at the end of this weekend when the Belles track and field team takes to the lanes for the last time. And while he promises to come back to coach his athletes on a club team he wants to start next fall, that doesn't mean he's made his peace with the decision.

"There's a lot that I don't understand as a coach," he said. "They say we need 30-35 [athletes] to be competitive, and that would be great. We would like to be like Calvin, we would like to be like Hope. But Olivet has seven [athletes] ... Adrian has 17, Albion has 17 or 18, Alma has 21 ... we're in the ballpark with those teams."

For the track team to be reinstated, athletic administrators have said that nearly \$1 million needs to be poured into the program. But with other construction projects connected with the Master Plan on the horizon, fundraising efforts specifically for the track and field team aren't even a possibility at the moment, said Szczechowski and Kachmarik.

"The timeline is that building project," Szczechowski said. "They told us not to do any fundraising because if we got any big amount of money they would have to talk that person into giving money for the Master Plan."

"The College is very commit-



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Head coach Larry Szczechowski gives Lauren Stoeger some running tips in preparation for the MIAA Championships Saturday. Szczechowski coached at Saint Mary's for 18 years.

ted to the Master Plan, and athletics is a part of that," Kachmarik said. "If somebody comes along and wants to donate 1 million, people are going to have to sit down and say, 'This is what our priorities are.' Of course we need a new athletic facility. But the decisions the College made about the Master Plan were not made lightly."

Still, even after his program was cut, Szczechowski still made do with what he had — and checked into resources of his own. Calling around to contractors who built another local track, he came up with a price tag of his own — \$220,000.

"That's a big difference from 5 - 600,000," he said.

Still, as the program nears its own finish line, despite promises from the administration to bring it back, it's hard for the coach who has made do for so long to let go. As the

phone still rings in the coach's office with prospective students looking for information about the program, Szczechowski isn't returning the calls anymore.

"They didn't want me to come to Spring Day on Campus [to recruit] so there wouldn't be confusion," he said. "I have [a recruit] I can't even call back — because what do you say to them?"

For a young squad — one that Szczechowski has hand-built with seven freshmen — the future, he thought, was looking bright. Numbers were up, and if projected numbers came through, he expected to add seven or eight more freshmen to the roster next year. Still, with poor retention rates, the program still struggles, churning out a few notable athletes in the MIAA every now and then.

"We don't have a first team or a second team. Everyone is able to compete and that's good," he said. "We wanted to be competitive and have a conference champion — and we've done that. We think we have an outside chance at having a conference champion again this year."

Whether they're the stand-

outs or the bottom half of the lineup, the athletes that sign up for Szczechowski's roster appreciate his effort, and have noticed the toll the decision has taken on the coach — however selfless he is.

"He tries to put up a good front for us ... a mature front," said junior first-year track athlete Jessica Coulter. "He's hurt, I think ... but he's trying to be professional. It's more of a quiet resignation. He knows that there isn't anything he can do."

"My heart goes out to him ... this is his life. I know its going to kill him next year," said junior Erica Burket.

Szczechowski won't let his team think about the end going into the Championships this weekend, however. From the get-go after the decision was made, he told his team they would do one thing: stay competitive, and show Saint Mary's and the MIAA they were competitive. And when the weekend is over, Szczechowski will hang up his varsity coaching career, stop checking his mailbox in Angela for a paycheck, and look to next year when he'll take over the proposed club track program — for free.

Belles no longer building for the future

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For three years, Kara Bergeman gave her life to the track team. She made sacrifices physically, academically and socially for the team. Her senior year was supposed to be the culmination of three years of dedication.



Bergeman

Instead, after athletic director Lyn Kachmarik and college administrators canceled the track and field program at Saint Mary's on Jan. 30, it has been a nightmare.

"What happened this year has killed my senior year," the lone senior on the team said. "I am so angry at the administration and at the College. It has killed my senior year."

Bergeman has been through a lot in her four years as a thrower for the Belles, but nothing prepared her for Kachmarik's announcement. When Bergman talks about end of the program, she can't help but cry.

"It is so incredibly sad," Bergeman said. "We have such talent in our team. All of those girls are so talented and to squelch that is just wrong."

Bergeman is far from the best athlete on the team. She will not challenge for the top spot in the MIAAs this weekend or break any school records. But her dedication to the Belles is unquestionable.

In her freshman year, she injured her knee and missed the entire season. Not once did she throw a discus or heave a shot put. But she also never missed a meet. She hobbled from event to event and meet to meet cheering for teammates. She said watching Belles All-American Stacy Davis, then a junior, fly down the track is one of her favorite memories of college.

Her teammates noticed the freshman's dedication as well.

"One of the juniors turned to me and said 'Thank you for coming, it has meant so much to us,'" Bergeman said. "But for me it was nothing. I loved watching my team compete. It was exciting and it mean so much to me."

Her junior year was even more difficult for Bergeman. After ending the 1999 season with 24 athletes and high hopes for even greater improvement in 2000, the Belles instead found themselves with just three athletes competing at the 2000 MIAA Championships. A combination of injuries, academics and frustration slowly whittled the team down to nearly nothing. Even the three captains left the team.

Bergeman believes academics

were the main reason the squad lost so many athletes — and eventually the support of the athletic department and the administration.

"Saint Mary's has always said that in the choice between academics and athletics, academics come first," she said. "Because so many athletes put academics first last year, they are punishing us."

Bergeman vowed to keep the team together this year. As the sole senior captain, she wanted to help her team overcome academic pressures and compete in the MIAA Championships — even if they did fall on the weekend before finals again. With a talented group of freshmen and several enthusiastic newcomers, Bergeman was prepared to rebuild the program for the future.

But when the administration pulled the funding from the team, her senior year suddenly changed. This year was no longer about building for the future. There was no future.

Despite all her anger and sadness, Bergman said she could not leave the program, could not walk away from something she had dedicated three years of her life to — even if it was on its deathbed.

"We all said there is now way we were leaving now," she said.

Bergeman's dedication seems to fill her teammates as well. Not a single player quit after Kachmarik's announcement. Some have battled back from past injuries, some are still struggling through injuries but they all have one goal — to compete at the MIAAs.

"This year we've had so many girls coming out and sticking with it," said Laura Graf, who transferred to Saint Mary's from Augustana College this year. "We wanted to prove we have the girls who want to compete. We don't care what happened in the past. We are stronger this year."

Graf is one of four athletes that coach Larry Szczechowski said chose Saint Mary's partly because of its track and field program.

Laura is another. The freshman javelin thrower came to Saint Mary's hoping to compete in the heptathlon. But three stress fractures in her legs limited her to competing only in field events. She would almost certainly injure herself worse if she ran, and still runs a greater risk of injury in the throwing events.

"I am not supposed to be doing anything right now," she said. "My parents aren't too happy. The trainer isn't too happy. But I have to compete in the conference. I feel like I would be letting my teammates down if I didn't try."

There are plenty of other stories of injured athletes pushing themselves to compete this year. Sophomore Whitney Ross missed her freshman season



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Freshman Lauren Stoerger prepares to throw the javelin during practice on Tuesday. Stoerger will be competing with three stress fractures on her legs during Saturday's MIAA meet.

with an injury but will compete this year.

Szczechowski thought Kemi Adebamowo would miss the entire season with a knee injury but the freshman rehabilitated her knee and is ready to compete.

Other athletes will push themselves further than they ever have before.

Junior Erica Burket has been the workhorse for the Belles all year.

She has regularly competed in four events and this weekend will add the 4x400 relay to her repertoire. But with no chance for tomorrow, Burket does not care how tired she might get.

"I know it will be tough the second day but I want to do everything I can to help the team because this will probably

be my last chance," Burket said.

Graf is probably the only athlete with a chance to compete after this weekend. If she runs a fast enough time in the 800, she could qualify for the NCAA Division III Championships.

Next year, when the track team will be reduced to club status at best, no matter how fast she runs, she cannot qualify for NCAAs.

"We are looking for good things from her and we think she can set a school record," Szczechowski said. "But next year, there will be no where for her to go. She can't qualify. She can compete at meets but she won't get the recognition she deserves."

Bergeman jokes that she sticks with the team for the recognition. She claims she

came back for a fourth year to claim the watch that four-year athletes receive. She cries when she talks about the end of the program and anger fills her voice when she talks about the future that will never be.

If she were an underclassman, she is not sure she would even come back to school next year.

"I feel fortunate that I don't have to come back next year," the senior said. "I am so angry with the administration right now that I am not sure I would come back."

But upon further reflection, Bergeman would still join the team.

"But in reality, I am in it for the girls and for the love," she said. "This year has not been disappointing at all."

From Start To Finish

Spring 2000	October/ November 2000	January 26	January 29	January 30	Spring 2001	May 5
Kachmarik weighs options for balancing athletic budget and moving program forward.	Saint Mary's administrators and athletic staff begin discussing the possible dissolution of the track team.	Saint Mary's president, Marilou Eldred, upon the recommendation of athletic director Lyn Kachmarik, makes the decision to discontinue the track and field team following the 2001 season.	Kachmarik announces the decision to the MIAA, giving the necessary one year notice.	Kachmarik announces the discontinuation of the track team to the athletes.	Team members work to raise funds and awareness in an attempt to save the team.	The Saint Mary's track team participates in its last meet