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By MAUREEN ALLEN

Editors Note: This is the final part of a three part series exploring the use of tobacco at Saint Mary's College.

By MAURIE HURLEY and LORI ALLEN

You've come a long way, baby.

According to health officials, Virginia Slims' slogan reigns true, as the trend in women's smoking has moved through history from a form of social rebellion to an increasing social habit.

Statistics from the American Lung Association of Northern Indiana state that the age when Americans begin smoking is getting younger, especially among females.

In light of this fact, in a recent Observer poll, 67 percent of Saint Mary's women surveyed stated that they have tried smoking, with 39 percent declaring themselves as regular smokers.

However, 44 percent of those who say they are not regular smokers consider themselves "social smokers," who only smoke in bars, at social gatherings, or with friends.

On a national scale, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services cites 23 percent of women in America as smokers, steadily gaining toward the 28 percent of men smokers.

Smoking is becoming a major women's health issue, as research in the past decade has explored this increasing trend towards women smoking.

The death rate for women has gone up 452 percent over the years since women started smoking as much as men do. Furthermore, lung cancer currently causes more deaths for women than any other cancer, according to the American Cancer Society.

Couples with gender issues, health officials state that starting smoking during high school or college is an added risk factor.

Individuals who start smoking between ages 15 and 24 are 10 to 14 times more likely to die of lung cancer than the nonsmoker.

The American Cancer Society states that many students do quit after college, noting a trend that education level affects smoking rates. According to statistics, this is shown by a consistent decrease in smoking rates in groups with a higher level of education.

"Smoking is disgusting. I don't understand why anyone would even start," said Amy Johnson.

"It smells, it's gross, and you can't breathe."

One anonymous smoker said, "I started to smoke because, basically I was a stupid teenager who didn't know any better at the time. I have no strength to quit now, and I know I should. Smokers are rightly discriminated against."

However, smokers on campus cite various reasons for starting the habit, and reasons why they plan to continue smoking.

According to the American Lung Association, most women begin smoking in social situations or for social reasons.

"I just like smoking. My old boyfriend smoked, and so did all of his friends and all my friends," said Jill Fetnermaker.

"I never thought about the health effects."

Many misconceptions exist that lure women to smoking, according to Surgeon General
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Since it began, the Republican primary race has focused on the issues of crime, the economy, and tax cuts. Taxes have been left behind in the issue debate.

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Forum examines women’s rights

Delegates explore recent changes in roles, stereotypes
By DONNA MIRANDOLA

Women and men from throughout the world gathered in Beijing, China, for the Fourth World Conference on Women September 4-14, 1995. With over 50,000 participants, this was the largest event in the history of the United Nations.

Sister Mary Turgi represented the Sisters of the Holy Cross as a participant in this world-wide event, and spoke about her experiences Monday afternoon in Igagger Parker.

Turgi, a former Sister Mary's faculty member and current social organizer of Covington Community Center in Covington, Kentucky, explained the two meetings which comprised the Forum.

The first group that met was the Non-Governmental Organizations (NGO). Over 30,000 representatives, mostly women, met in an open meeting which was held from Aug. 30 to Sept. 8. This was the group that captured the most media attention, and where the most sharing of cultures and ideas took place, said Turgi.

The "official" UN conference was held from Sept. 4 to 14. This was a formal congregation of 5,000 official government delegates.

"These delegates were not necessarily women, or people who knew very much about women's concerns," stated Turgi. During the overlapping time of the two meetings, the accredited NGO representatives had two missions.

"These groups needed to observe what the delegates were doing, but most importantly lobby the delegates. The groups would meet and decide what was or was not going well and strategize to influence their own delegates," said Turgi.

Turgi said, "We knew it wouldn't be easy. We did what we had to do. We got together to celebrate women and to strategize for what came next."

The job of the UN delegates was to approve the document, "Platform for Action." The platform not only addressed stereotypical concerns of women such as reproductive health and violence, but for the first time, the UN stated publicly that there is discrimination against women and that many times the discrimination starts in the womb.

The document also acknowledged that women do contribute resources to the economy. "Women do much unpaid and uncounted work which is not reflected in a country's GDP. This idea is pivotal in welfare reform. Many countries say that women are not "working" and have no economic value. People who do contribute to the economy should therefore be entitled to social services from the government," said Turgi.

The UN declared that women's rights are indeed human rights. Human rights take precedence over religious and cultural customs. Therefore, practices such as genital mutilation and women dying on their husband's funeral pyres will now be seen as in violation of the UN's definition of human rights.

Turgi came away from the conference with many lasting impressions and memories. She remembers the incredible sense of determination and organization of the women, especially since the site of the conference had been changed to 30 miles outside Beijing only weeks before the conference.

There was a deep sense of community and eagerness to communicate with each other despite language barriers, according to Turgi. The wide ranges of women of different cultures and economic backgrounds that came together to celebrate each other's customs and ideas is something Turgi will always remember, she said.

Turgi concluded, "It is important for young women to keep the global movement strong. We need to realize how similar the lives of women outside of the US are to our own. Issues of women from East Asia aren't very different from ones which are important here. It's a matter of being connected to women all over the world and ultimately, enhancing all of humanity."

Auction proceeds surpass goal

By DEREK BETCHER

The final proceeds doubling those of last year's fundraiser, Saturday's Fifth Annual Auction to benefit South Bend's Center for the Homeless was labeled a success by its organizers.

"It was extremely successful," said Tammy Oehm, the event's coordinator. "We exceeded our goal of raising $100,000."

Oehm noted that the auction's hottest items were two armchair quarterback packages donated by Lou Holtz and the Notre Dame Football Office.

The packages entitled their purchasers to choose any home football game for 1996, and on that Saturday attend the team mass, dine at the team's pre-game meal, watch the game from the sidelines, and mini-game in the locker room following the game.

"Those went for $10,000 apiece," Oehm said. The presence of Notre Dame football players at the event, Oehm stated, was also well-received.

Former star Tony Rice and several of the team's current seniors were present Saturday evening.

"They just came on their own good will to mingle with the bidders and sign auto­graphs for the people who attended. The Center really appreciates their help," Oehm said.

"On the whole, we had phenomenal volunteers. We had quite a few from the Notre Dame administration that helped out. I can't say enough about what a big help they were, too," she added.

Proceeds for the event were entered into the center's regular operating budget.

"That money will be used to buy food and pay for other daily expenses," Oehm said.

Exhibit debuts

The display, "Africa at the Crossroads" was unveiled yesterday. The exhibit, displayed on the second floor of Hesburgh Library, will run for three months.

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Election
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Griffen's team picked up 427 votes versus 220 votes for the Duda ticket. The team for senior class officers was won by the ticket of Bill Hammoud, president; Mike Schwartz, vice-president; Dirk Koester, secretary; and Eric Cebec, treasurer.
Their platform, which stresses an addition of new ideas, proved to be popular with their classmates. The Hammoud ticket also wants to plan a Senior formal and class trips.

The Hammond group defeated the ticket of Mike Eger, Brian Zavitzak, Tom Kelli, and Peter Harrison 502 to 342. It was the third failed attempt to be a president this month for Eger, who unsuccessfully ran for Student Government President earlier this semester.

In the race for off-campus co-presidents, the ticket of Mike Irvine and Brendan Tobin defeated Sorin residents Alex Saksen and Michael Sweeney 206 to 130. Irvine and Tobin stressed the importance of better parking for off-campus students.

Students were delighted about their victory and emphasized their desire to help their classmates. "We live off-campus this year, so we think we will be more able to deal with the parking problem," said Irvine. Tobin added, "We encourage all off-campus students to contact regarding their concerns. They can e-mail us, or call us. We are open to suggestions."

The picture of the student Senate race was less blurry than an off-campus race for the sophomore and junior class officers. In District One, one of the candidates, Jim Bigelow scored a convincing victory over Ryan Cox, defeating him 157 to 172. In District Two, Sorin Hall resident Mike Gaffud defeated Carroll Hall sophomore Pat Belton 277 to 245.

Gaffud hopes to personalize all future commencement ceremonies, a hot topic of debate at the polls. He also wants to improve communication between students and administration.

Gaffud's victory was sealed by the high level of support he received in Sorin, which had the highest voter turnout in District Two. "I'd like to thank all the guys in my dorm for voting," he said.

The winning candidates all expressed optimism with regards to achieving the goals on which they campaigned. Senior class vice-president Elik Mike Schwartz, who is currently junior class president, expressed a desire to increase the amount of trips to sporting events in Chicago.

"With the funds available, we should get tickets for Bulls, Blackhaws, White Sox, and Cubs games for class trips," said Irvine. "And Tobin stressed the importance of better parking for off-campus students to contact regarding their concerns."

Their campaign included participation in service projects. Michele Costello, who is running on the Occo setting as a vice-presidential candidate, said, "For example, we want to start a project with the Boys and Girls Club in which we would assist in painting a mural at the club along with the kids."

A tutoring program is an ongoing service for students both in local schools. We want to start a project with the Boys and Girls Club in which we would assist in painting a mural at the club along with the kids. They also plan a "battle of the bands" fundraiser and party at the Indiana dunes to coordinate the computer facilities," said Squyres. "The OIT is very excited about students taking the initiative in providing opinions about the computer facilities," said Squyres. "It is very important to students in that it is a chance for them to essentially sit down with the administrators and tell them what should be changed for next year."

A computerized version of the survey is also available at: http://www.ics.nd.edu/survey/
**Mexico**

**Capital city suffers from crime epidemic**

By BILL CORMIER

Mexico City’s crime wave swept up Jesus Navarro when a man jammed a pistol into his ribs and told him to put in his money bag, which he had with his wife and two toddlers.

"Daddy, who are these people?" his 3-year-old daughter asked.

"These are friends of mine," said Navarro, 33. "And we're going for a ride."

During that 45-minute trip last September, the three gunmen robbed the family of $100 in pesos, a costly Swiss watch and a gold necklace. They then dumped the family unharmed on a dark street and sped away. The van was later found wrecked.

Mexico City — long considered relatively safe, considering it is home to 8.5 million people — has seen a sudden upsurge in crime over the past 14 months. Although the level of crime is still nothing to rival that of many big U.S. cities, the epidemic has stunned residents.

The timing of the criminal surge coincides with the nation’s economic crisis. Economic woes have thrown 1 million Mexicans out of work and pinched the pockets of many others.

Now it is being blamed for helping to fuel the carjackings, burglaries, bank heists and muggings that have soared since 1994 in the federal district of Mexico City.

Between 1994 and 1995, premeditated murder rose 9.6 percent to 1,204 cases — more than New York’s 1,182 homicides. Home burglaries shot up 41.3 percent to 6,734 cases. Non-violent auto thefts more than doubled to 35,116 in 1995 — still well shy of New York’s 74,603 grand larceny auto thefts. But Mexico also saw a 69.8-percent jump in violent auto thefts — to 21,382 cases in 1995.

Security for the British royal family also has been stepped up following reports that an IRA bomber is killed by his own bomb in London on Feb. 18 and had maps and other documents suggesting the IRA may have Queen Elizabeth II or her relatives in its sights.

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**Northern Ireland**

**Peace talks fail to produce resolution**

By SHAWN POGATCHNIK

Talks between IRA supporters and the British government, aimed at ending bombing attacks and creating a framework for peace negotiations, broke up without agreement Monday.

The two-hour meeting between British civil servants and the IRA-aligned Sinn Fein party was the first since the Irish Republican Army broke its 17-month cease-fire with a bombing in London on Feb. 9.

Sinn Fein had sought a guaranteed starting date for negotiations. Britain said that would be unrealistic unless the IRA first guaranteed a lasting cease-fire.

"The British government was not prepared to give us a specific date when all-party peace negotiations would begin," Sinn Fein representative Martin McGuinness told reporters outside Stormont, the government seat east of Belfast.

McGuinness, a reputed former IRA commander, called the situation "very grave indeed."

Sinn Fein first sat down with a team of British civil servants in December 1994, three months after the IRA stopped its quarter-century campaign of violence against British rule. Those talks bogged down when Britain demanded that the IRA stop violence and resume limited foot patrols in Northern Ireland, where the IRA has yet to strike, raising overall troop strength there to about 17,500. Soldiers resumed limited foot patrols in Catholic parts of Belfast on Friday.

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Clinton steps up sanctions

By RON FOUNNIR Associated Press

WASHINGTON  President Clinton slapped new sanctions on Fidel Castro's government Monday for downing of a U.S. air force plane in late May. The administration says for­mer Castro's political team invited response "a c­cess by Clinton of "coddling Castro." The president suspended travel to Cuba, Clinton loaned restrictions in 1995, and 120,000 people flew to Cuba from the United States. • Expand Radio Marti, the U.S. propaganda network that broadcasts in Cuba. • Offer American tourists travel in the United States. • Authorize additional restric­tions on travel in the United States. • Seek compromise with Re­publican lawmakers on a bill that would dramatically expand sanctions. But he did not ad­dress the major sticking point: his opposition to a GOV provi­sion allowing Cuban-Americans and others to sue in U.S. feder­al courts for compensation from companies that buy prop­erty expropriated by the Castro government.

One presidential rival, Senate Majority leader Bob Dole, said Clinton "laid an egg." "After months of moving the wrong way toward coddling Castro -- the president has yet to understand that the only way to deal with Castro's tyranny is firmness and pressure," Dole, R-Kansas, said.

Still, Dole said, while Clinton did not go far enough, "I sup­port these measures as steps in the right direction." In a brief statement to re­porters, Clinton said he decided to • Ask Congress to compen­sate victims' families from $100 million in frozen Cuban assets. The United States wants the United Nations to press Cuba for reparations, as well as to impose international sanctions. • Suspend U.S. charter air travel to Cuba. Clinton loaned restrictions in 1995, and 120,000 people flew to Cuba from the United States.

"The alternative, of course, was a flagrant violation of international law," he said, "and the United States will not toler­ate it." Cuba said the shooting oc­curred over its airspace, and that its pilots were provoked. "Patriotic, violent, and incorrupt­eurs out of the blue," said Ri­go­tor, two Cuban, president of Cuba's parliament.

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U.S. foreign policy faces harsh criticism

GOP candidates attack Clinton's diplomatic record

By TERENCE HUNT Associated Press

WASHINGTON In a few short days, a deadly mix of misadventure and bo­bbling Clinton foreign policy has been a source of pride for the president, one that he talked up in last month's State of the Union address.

The White House handshake that Clinton engineered be­tween PLO chief Yasser Arafat and the late Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin has been a prominent spot in Clinton's campaign video.

Tuesday's suicide bombing in Jerusalem triggered a six-month lull in terrorist attacks, it came at the opening of Israel's cam­paign for national elections May 29 and could give a boost to opponents of Israeli­Palestinian peacemaking.

Similarly, IRA bombings in London have seriously threat­ened the peace process. And the downing of the civilian planes by Cuba ended a period of relative calm between Washington and Havana that had seen slight progress on refugee issues and other mat­ters.

Bosnia remains the Middle East and Northern Ireland, though, it may be that the setbacks are more than temporary — a bump in the road. With Castro, the United States has been unable to make a dent despite decades of pressure.

The administration says for­eign policy requires patience, discipline and steady leadership. This is the administration's belief. But its image of a world that has lost patience with the United States was sharply damaged over its airspace, and that its pilots were provoked.

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Runaway satellite ruins ten-year shuttle project

By MARCIA DUNN
Associated Press

FLORIDA

Like a child watching a balloon slip from his hand, scientists looked on in distress as a half-ton satellite being towed by space shuttle Columbia broke loose and floated off into the black void, dangling 12 miles of frayed and curled cord.

For those who had devoted years and even a decade to the electricity-generating project, it was a cruel blow, all the more so because everything was going so well up until the accident.

"A lot of things were disappearing there," astronaut Jeffrey Hoffman, a Harvard-educated Ph.D. in astrophysics, said Monday. "We all did have a lot of hopes. We got about halfway there in terms of being able to deploy the satellite and to just get what people's appetites for the incredible scientific investigations that could be covered. Scientists have lost a lot, and I deeply feel for them."

In a split second Sunday night, the cord and the instrument-packed satellite were gone forever, a $400 million-plus experiment now just space junk.

NASA flight director Chuck Shaw said it would be too dangerous to send the shuttle after the Italian satellite -- the spaghetti-thin cord could wrap itself around the spaceship.

The junk poses no hazard to Columbia and its crew for the remaining 1 1/2 weeks of their mission, and it will re-enter the atmosphere and burn up within a month, officials said.

NASA officials refused to speculate what went wrong. But Hoffman reported that the final end of the cord remaining aboard Columbia looked as though it had been charred and melted.

The cord -- made of braided copper, nylon and Teflon -- broke off inside a tower that was being used as a fishing rod to cast the satellite into space.

Italian scientist Marino Dobrowolny said the insulation may have been stripped away, exposing the copper wire. Data on the ground showed the equivalent of a spark or discharge, which may have occurred as the copper passed near metal on the deploying equipment, he said.

NASA immediately impounded all data associated with the U.S.-Italian project and established an investigative board.

Columbia and its seven astronauts were the entire time.

It could have been much, much worse. If more of the tether had remained attached to Columbia, the cord could have whipped back and become entangled with the shuttle.

When Hoffman shouted the alarm, there were a few millisecond flashes of "an adrenaline rush," shuttle commander Andrew Allen said. But within a second or two the astronauts realized they did not need to fear for their lives, given the location of the tether break and the speed at which the satellite was drifting away.

Three of the crewmen, in fact, were asleep at the time.

"I got up in the morning and when I came on the flight deck and saw the disappointed faces of my colleagues, I knew something wasn't quite right," pilot Scott Horowitz said at a space-to-ground news conference. "They said, 'Look out the window,' and the tether was gone."

"It was kind of like one of those really bad sinking feelings. You're hoping to wake up in this beautiful sight of this tether all the way up there and then do all this science, and there it was gone."

Depending on the cause of the problem, this could be the end of space tethers for the foreseeable future. Scientists had hoped to prove with this flight that tethered satellites could be used to power spacecraft and drop packages to Earth.

Until the accident, the tethered-satellite system had been working better than expected, generating up to 3,500 volts of electricity as the metal ball and the cord swept through Earth's magnetic field.

U.S. and Italian scientists were overjoyed, after all, the first time the tethered satellite flew in space, four years ago, the cord jammed at 840 feet, and the combination generated a feeble 40 volts.

Then came Hoffman's startled shouts, not quite five hours into the experiment and with only a half-mile of tether left to be unreeled, "I yelled, 'The tether has broken!' flight controllers and scientists stared in disbelief at their computer screens. Tether tension had dropped to zero.

"I felt bad," Dobrowolny said, "but then I recovered rather quickly because even though it was only five hours, we collected an enormous amount of data."

Noble Stone, a NASA scientist on the ground, said the tether's success up that point made the loss particularly painful.

"I have a black lab at home and if you take a piece of meat and you go by real fast and you get his attention, he looks at it but he really hasn't realized what he's missed yet," Stone said.

"If you hold it in front of him, he begins to drool all over the place before he has some anticipation."
Dole changes tactics in search of victory

By TOM RAUM Associated Press

MARIETTA, Ga. — Tired of coming in second, Sen. Bob Dole put a new campaign team in place Monday, telling his polls had been too rosy and his ads too negative.

"I want to start winning," he asserted on the eve of three Western primaries.

But Dole aides conceded it was unlikely the politically weakened Senate majority leader could expect a sweep on Tuesday in the Arizona, North Dakota and South Dakota primaries.

Campaigning in Georgia, Dole scanned the political calendar for comeback prospects while his campaign announced the series of personnel changes, including naming a new chief strategist and a new political commentator.

"We're getting into a very important month here," Dole told reporters. "The changes have been made and we're moving on. That's it."

 Asked by a reporter in Marietta if Americans could expect to see "a different Dole" as a result of the shakeup, Dole wisecracked, "Flavor of the week."

Dole conceded he needed a win badly to stop commentator Pat Buchanan's surge. "I'm tired of coming in second," he said, explaining the staff changes.

One result of the shakeup: new, more positive ads designed by the new chief strategist, Don Sipple, will begin running in primary battleground states as early as Tuesday.

"Changing campaign managers is not Senator's Dole problem," former Tennessee Gov. Lamar Alexander, another of Dole's opponents, said at a rally in Marietta. " Senator's Dole's problem is that he doesn't seem to have one idea about where to take the country."

The staff reshuffling came after Dole defeats in New Hampshire last Tuesday and Delaware on Saturday.

For Tuesday, Dole campaign officials were not optimistic about either Arizona — with 39 winner-take-all convention delegations, the biggest prize to date — or South Dakota.

On Saturday, South Carolina holds its first-in-the-South primary. A Dole defeat there, especially if he loses Tuesday in Arizona, could deal a lethal blow.

Dole continued to blame his poor showing in early primary states on the multimillion-dollar negative ad campaign waged by publisher Steve Forbes.

"Sooner or later we've got to get out of these states where he has spent a lot of money. Sooner or later, we'll be out of money," he said grimly.

Oh sure, it looks innocent. But it could be wired to a no-name company that has no qualms about overcharging broke college students.

So, calling card in hand, you dial 1 800 CALL ATT and save yourself some much-needed cash.
Zapped: Elimination of affirmative action leaves little hope

At the close of last week, the governor of Louisiana, Mike Foster, abolished affirmative action in his state. The proposer of the new idea in Louisiana, Mike Foster, abolished affirmative action before the last election. This was not only an attack on affirmative action but also a sign of the death of affirmative action as an issue in the United States. Mike Foster abolished affirmative action before the last election, and his decision was met with little hope for the future of affirmative action. Senator Mike Foster is a strong supporter of affirmative action, and the vote in favor of Mike Foster's resolution was overwhelming.

First, the Republican-controlled Congress demanded President Clinton eliminate affirmative action. Mike Foster abolished affirmative action, which was a direct result of the demands from Congress. President Clinton has shown little support for affirmative action, and his administration has been accused of weakening affirmative action policies. Mike Foster abolished affirmative action because he believed that affirmative action was ineffective and that it did not address the root causes of inequality.

The elimination of affirmative action has left little hope for the future of affirmative action. The scope of affirmative action has been significantly reduced, and many believe that its importance has diminished. Mike Foster abolished affirmative action, and his decision was met with little hope for the future of affirmative action. President Clinton has shown little support for affirmative action, and his administration has been accused of weakening affirmative action policies.

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From dining hall ‘stalkers’ to computer...  
the ups and downs of unrequited love...

By AMY CRAWFORD  
Accent Copy Editor

“Every breath you take, every move you make...”  
When the all-too-familiar refrain of this immortal Police classic reverberates over the radio waves, many listeners are bombarded with images of Sling, in his black and white glory, standing seductively over a bass and singing about the painful reality of unrequited love. For many, the words conjure up memories of past relationships gone sour or those never materialized, for others, such melodic phrases are an everyday reality.

In her article entitled, “Trespassers of the Heart,” reporter Lynda Edwards defines stalking as “willful, malicious, repeated, strange, and unwanted contacts; persistent surveillance and following aimed at creating an overwhelming fear of harm.” According to Edwards, such psychopathic stalkers have become an “American archetype,” from the dither obsessed with the movie star he’s never met to the corporate workaholic fixated upon the colleague he barely knows.

Yet “stalking” can be used to describe any number of amorous pursuits, especially those devoid of such combinations of terror and violence. In grade school, such obsessive love was termed a “crush” and often meant little more than occasional encounters in hallways, during recess, or lunchtime.

Though collegiate life has brought many to a level of intellectual and social sophistication surpassing their earlier years, many of the same behaviors have survived, though now termed differently. At Notre Dame, this so-called “social stalking” can be a catch-all phrase for a variety of actions, from seeing someone occasionally on the quad to studying on the same floor of the library to determining higher biographical information such as full name, home state, campus address and major field of study.

Yet unlike its sociopathic relative, such behavior is completely anonymous and always without intention of harm or violence. According to Becky*, a self-proclaimed “monogamous stalker,” such obsessive love is without malicious intent. “I would never approach these people. There’s no pestering, no phone calls, and no random visits just to see their dorm room. It’s always just someone that I like,” she says.

Many engage in social stalking as a means to learn more about a person’s daily schedule, eating habits, and social activities while the dogbook and student directory were named as the perfect venue by many social stalkers.

“Spies” and “researchers” were engaged in an extensive search for the true identity of a Morrissey “Mystery Man.” Weeks of research and surveillance were successful as the gentleman later escorted one of her friends to their SYR.

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“My initiation into obsessive love began when an interest in an architecture major spurred him to visit her at her study...” he says, “at that point I knew I was crossing the line.”

Many social stalkers employ a complex web of “spies” and available biographical information in compiling the personal profiles of their potential love interests. Friends were cited by all as the most useful means of learning about a person’s daily schedule, eating habits, and social activities while the dogbook and student directory were named integral components to any social stalker’s arsenal.

“By using the directory, you but also who lives down the hall. It’s easier just to have asked him face-to-face without all of the research and investigation,” she says.

D.B. and his friends have seen potential love interests while standing seductively in the dogbook, “crush” someone catches your eye and out it.” D.B. explains.

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In many ways, aspects of everyday burdening encourage and even aid such amorous pursuits. Snap-a­-seam, world-wide web availabilities at campus computer centers, a n y m o n y m u s access to voice-mail, and the of computer programs, can tell your friends, "Hey, check

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are "I notice things that other person is wearing a skirt with her last name on a necktie," he says. If I see a ten to the call in order to hear an even more developed means of getting girls . Nicole and her friends have called to be psychology students conducting and them if they're twenty-one and so we'd know if they would be going too," she says. *

approaches, nearly all social stalkers have one commonality—their love is totally secret and always from afar. "The biggest fear is that they will find out you're stalking them. I would simply die if it ever got out," Becky adds.

G.S. agrees. "I'm afraid to be set up with a few of these ladies," he notes. "I've seen them so much that I'm afraid they'll say 'Hey, you're the one who's always staring at me.'"

Though most social stalkers remain physically distant and entirely secret admirers, some take their crushes a step further. Ann's of my notebook. Having someone to like makes going to class more fun," she admits. G.S. adds. "I'm afraid to be set up with a few of these ladies," he says. "On a crowded Thursday night at Senior Bar last semester, I walked by the pursued. This way, you might be able to take the edge off the agony."

So, you've already burned your skin, the skin is inflamed, and much much hotter than normal, as any­one who has been burned can attest to. Try cooling the pain down with one of the following methods. First, right in front of a fan to heighten cooling. Cold water is the "cool" way to go. Dip your hands in water (and maybe a few ice cubes) and lay the cloth over the burn. Repeat every few minutes as the cloth warms up. Skin milk is very soothing, says Dr. Schreiber. Mix 1 cup skin milk with 4 cups water, and cool compresses for 10 to 20 minutes. Oatmeal water can also be relaxing. Wrap dry oatmeal in cheesecloth or gauze, and run cool water over it. Discard the oatmeal after the first hour. The best anti-stall ef­fects are still on the surface in the liquid. An alternative to compresses, especially if you're bashing in the sun, is to use a bag of ice or something like it; I used this effect to keep the temperature of the water down. I also used a cup of vinegar or a few sprinkles of baking soda to soothe and relieve. Moreover, according to Becky, obsessive love adds an exciting dimension to her humdumd academic routine. "For awhile last year I wasn't stalking anyone, but it was just boring. There was no one to look at, no one to think about, and no name to scribble in the margin of my notebook. Having someone to like makes going to class more fun," she says. For the social stalking community on campus, the love-burn contin­ues to take it one day at a time, constantly looking ahead to future pursuits and helping others find love. "Now people come to me if they want to know information about a particular girl on campus," G.S. adds.

*Names have been changed to protect the obsessed.

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Tuesday, February 27, 1996

MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

When Jimmy Key and Dwight Gooden will pitch on the mound Tuesday, it may be the biggest moment of the spring for the New York Yankees.

Afer throwing in two batting practice sessions last week, Key and Gooden will put their comebacks in the Yankees' intra-squad game in Tampa, Fla.

New Manager Joe Torre, who expects both two pitch innings, has been impressed with what he's seen of Key and Gooden so far in camp now, however, he'll see them in game situations for the first time.

"I really don't foresee any problems," Torre said Monday.

"Then again, pitching to hitters is a lot different than the side or throwing batting practice.

The Yankees are planning to have Key and Gooden as part of a solid rotation which will include David Cone, Kenny Rogers and Dave Treadwell. Both are eager to see how their comebacks are progressing.

Key pitched in a game since May 16, 1995, his last outing before undergoing shoulder surgery. Gooden is making his first appearance since being suspended in June 1994 for violating baseball's substance abuse aftercare program.

"It's another hurdle," Gooden said. "I'm looking forward to it.

"I'm just continuing to throw and trying to build-up arm strength," Key said. "I hope I don't have to miss any more days."

"It was no big deal," Red Sox manager Kevin Keyes was back at Boston's camp in Fort Myers, one day because of a "legal" problem.

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Great One close to being Blue

Associated Press

The St. Louis Blues may be on the verge of landing Los Angeles Kings superstar Wayne Gretzky. The only thing left to clinch the deal, according to reports, are the financial arrangements.

The "hockey part" of the deal is already complete and the players have been agreed upon, ESPN reported Sunday. But a new contract for Gretzky must be worked out, ESPN said, and that could be the most difficult part. It apparently was the reason a trade wasn't made earlier between the Kings and New York Rangers.

Gretzky was expected to play for the Kings Monday night against Winnipeg. "At this point, he is definitely playing," Gretzky's agent, Mike Burnett, said Monday morning.

The Rangers had reportedly offered the Kings Luc Robitaille and Ray Ferraro and about $2 million in cash for The Great One. But the deal fell through when Gretzky presumably wasn't able to come to terms with the Rangers on his contract.

Gretzky is making about $6.5 million this season. He likely would want a three-year deal of $21 million to remain as hockey's highest-paid player.

Gretzky has expressed a desire to stay in the sport for a few more years, particularly for the opportunity to win a gold medal in the 1998 Olympics.

He would also like to add another Stanley Cup to his collection of four, which is the reason he is on the trading block these days.

Gretzky is unhappy with the way things are going in Los Angeles, and has asked the Kings to either upgrade the team so they have a chance to win a Cup or trade him to a team that is a contender.

Gretzky will be a free agent after this season, and if the Kings don't sign him they will risk losing him without compensation after the season.

Kings general manager Sam McMaster denied that any deal had been made with the Blues regarding Gretzky, but did acknowledge:

"We have spoken to the St. Louis Blues about a lot of our players in the last week, including Wayne Gretzky. We have stated before that we would entertain trade offers for any of our players, including Wayne Gretzky."

McMaster made the comments in an interview Sunday with The Canadian Press from Winnipeg, Manitoba, where the Kings play the Jets tonight. Meanwhile, ESPN reported that a deal involving Gretzky and the Blues might be wrapped up as early as Tuesday and that he would be in a Blues uniform for their game Thursday night at Vancouver.

And the Toronto Sun reported Sunday that Gretzky's trade to St. Louis was "on the verge of completion late (Saturday) night."

The Sun added that "some last-minute technicalities could delay its announcement until Tuesday."

To acquire the NHL's career leading scorer, the Blues apparently will part with three prospects — Roman Vopat, Patrice Taridif, Craig Johnson — and a first-round 1997 draft pick.

Both Blues general manager-coach Mike Keenan and Blues star Brett Hull say they would be delighted to see Gretzky in a St. Louis uniform.

When asked about Gretzky as a player, Keenan said, "It's sure able to control the play when he has the puck. You can obviously see that."

When asked about the process of trying to acquire him, Keenan said: "It's only frustrating if you allow it be. It's kind of beyond our control. For most people to the league, it's been kind of fun because they're not involved."

Added Hull, a longtime friend of Gretzky's: "I've thought about Wayne being in a Blues uniform ever since I was 21 years old."

Gretzky has 829 goals and 1,737 assists for his career, both NHL records. This season he has 15 goals and 65 assists in 61 games.
Dallas loses another 'boy

By DENNE H. FREEMAN
Associated Press

IRVING, Texas
Another day, another lost Cowboy.

Linebacker Dixon Edwards defected from Super Bowl champion Dallas Cowboys to the Minnesota Vikings on Monday, and it wasn't totally unexpected.

Minnesota will pay Edwards $12.4 million over four years, including a $2.5 million signing bonus.

"It's ridiculous the way money is being thrown around," Edwards said. "People are willing to pay $5 million a year and it would cost another team a first-round draft pick to sign him.

"We just have to see on Darrell," Switzer said, "but if he thought Dallas would be able to keep Smith, Switzer said, "I doubt it. There's just too much money out there people are willing to pay.

The Cowboys can match any offers to Smith, and it would cost another team a first-round draft pick to sign him.

"We've either got to get it done or move on to other things," said Switzer, who might attempt to deal for Washington's Gus Frerotte if he can't sign O'Donnell.

"There are a lot of issues that require action for us. If we don't sign Neill, it's not the end of the world for us. Nor is it for him.

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Green to continue streak despite injury

By MEL REISNER
Associated Press

PHOENIX
A.C. Green wasn't about to let a few missing teeth force him to miss playing in his 750th consecutive game.

After having his front two teeth knocked out from an elbow thrown by the Knicks' J.R. Reid in Phoenix's win over New York on Sunday, Green was fitted with a mask and expected to play Monday night against the Utah Jazz.

"We just have to find some players in the draft or at the low, bottom dollar of free agency," Switzer said. "This isn't a great year for college linemen, either.

Safety Brock Marion and offensive lineman Ron Stone are two other restricted free agents on the Dallas roster.

Other unrestricted free agents include quarterback Jason Garrett, punter John Jett, cornerback Robert Rain, safety Scott Case, center Dale Helesstrae and special teams star Bill Bates.

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Kansas avenges loss to Missouri

By CRAIG HORST
Associated Press

LAWRENCE, Kan. (AP) - Jacque Vaughn, the Kansas assistant specialist who was suddenly turned into a scorer, had 17 points Monday night and the third-ranked Jayhawks turned back a Missouri challenge early in the second half for an 87-65 win.

Kansas (24-2 overall, 12-1 Big Eight) had a 53-35 lead trimmed in half when the Tigers scored the first nine points in the first four minutes of the second half. But Vaughn hit a 3-pointer and made a free throw as the Jayhawks pulled away. Vaughn, who scored 20 points in Kansas' win over Kansas State last weekend, was backed by 16 points from Scot Pollard.

"Missouri (16-6, 6-7) was unable to handle Kansas' press and fell behind 68-47 trimmed in half when the winning streak started," Pollard said. "A student currently enrolled in the college has never seen us play before," Gordon said. "A student who played for the last four years has never played in a winning game."

Gordon said Rutgers-Camden may add a sport to replace the men's basketball team, possibly crew or volleyball. The college now has 13 intercollegiate sports.

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Women’s Foil

Notre Dame’s other dominating fencing team, sabre, also contributed its normal results to the team tournament. Captain Bill Lester was undefeated and has not lost a match since the team’s meet in Boston. Teammate Luke LaValle almost equaled Lester’s 24-3 record during the weekend (he was upset in the qualifiers this weekend). From that position, the Mountaineers gave the Irish a 20-6 record overall, 15-3 in the Big East. This also allowed them to finish their third consecutive 20-win season.

The Irish started out the game with a 16-6 run, and never looked back. By the half, they had built a 32-24 lead behind Katryna Gaither’s 14 points in only 13 minutes of play. The Mountaineers gave it their best shot to stay in the game. They shrunk the Irish lead to eight by halftime, and got it down to four when Talisha Hargis’ layup made the score 36-32 with 18:25 left.

Despite these efforts, they could not sustain their level of play in the second half. Following a Jeannine Augustin steal and Fosc Morgan layup, which made it 38-32, the Irish began their run. They raced out to an 18 point lead with 9:11 remaining. The lead eventually got as high as 22 points, as the Irish shot a torrid 71.4% from the field in the last 20 minutes.

The team finished the game shooting 60.4%, including five of 10 from three-point land. West Virginia’s Lisa Szymczak tried to keep her team in it. She hit up the Irish for 25 points and 11 boards.

Notre Dame played the spread-the-floor game again. Gaither and Morgan, as usual, led the Irish in scoring, with 20 and 19 points, respectively. Gaither shot 75% from the field, while she also contributed 14 boards for her 11th double-double of the season.

Mollie Peirick had eight points and eight assists, while Augustin also dished out eight assists. Reserve Stacy Fields pulled down five rebounds.

Notre Dame will greatly benefit if their supporting cast continues to produce as they have been all season. This kind of play keeps opposing defenses honest, and their presence prevents the other teams from concentrating too much on leading scorers Morgan and Gaither.

Also, if the Irish want to have a legitimate shot at winning the Big East Tournament, they will have to cut down on the turnovers. In the contest with the Mountaineers, they gave the ball away an eye-popping 31 times.

Teams like UConn will not be handled as easily as West Virginia or Pitt, and the Irish cannot afford maintain this trend.
By JAMES BELDEN
Sports Writer

Competing against the elite brings out the best in everyone.
The Irish proved the old adage correct this weekend as they
had a strong showing against some of the world's
best track and field athletes at their Alex Wilson Invitational.

"We hosted a meet that was comparable to
the NCAA All Star game in terms of talent," coach
Joe Plume stated.

Notre Dame's legendary "Rocket" Ismail had his five
year 55 meter dash record
broken by Diarra Gussiere. His 6.14 shattered the old mark of
6.22 and was the second fastest time in the world this year.

The LaGrange track club sent some competitors who
posted an incredible challenge to the Irish squads.

"Potential Olympic runners from Suriname, S. Africa, and
Kenya train with the LaGrange track club. They truly are some
of the best in the world," Plume exclaimed.

The Irish men and women combined for six first place vic­
tories. Kelle Saxen took the high jump with her leap of 5-8,
and Erica Peterson won the 500 meters with a time of 1:13.46.

Kristen Duduas won the women's 3000 meters with 10:06.6,
and the women's 4x100 relay beat the competition with their
3:48.20 time.

Berti Junker again met the provisional qualifications for
the NCAA's with her victory in the women's 800 meters. She
ran a time of 2:08.49.

"Berti is a great one. She's really made great strides this
year, and she has become a better competitor," Plume praised.

Lammie Justice took first in the triple jump with his leap of
48-11, and Brian McQuaid won the men's 500 meters with his
time of 1:05.06.

Senior standout Mike Fleisch ran into some tough competi­
tion in the shot put from Steve
Albert, who kept him from tak­ing another first place finish.

"Albert was thirty-one years old and he was just huge. He
came to the Alex Wilson to at­
tempt to qualify for the indoor
USA Track and Field Championships," Fleisch said.

The Irish now have their sights set on qualifying more
individuals for the NCAA's.

The Irish are sending seventeen competitors to the NCAA's.
and all of them have the
opportunity to keep their sea­
tons alive.

In addition to Brock's perfor­
ance, the Irish got four RBI
from first baseman George
Restovich, who collected a	headlock homerun to right field,
and J.J. Brock, who had four RBI in the game, slugged a two
run double into left field after
the Irish had scored on an
error and a passed ball.

"I had seen them do that for
six years," said Mainieri of Air
Force's aborted come back.
"I knew they wouldn't give up.
We got the offense when we
needed it though, and Rich
Saulet did a great job out of
the bullpen.

The explosive Irish offense,
which tallied 27 runs on the
weekend, was at its most
mistic in Sunday's finale against
Memphis, as they could muster
only three hits in a 4-2 loss to
the hometown team. Memphis
starter Linnies Gross threw five
and a third innings of two hit ball.

Notre Dame scored their only
run of the game when Mike
Ambrine ripped a two run
double off reliever Chad
Brown in the second inning.
Harville got Restovich and cen­
ter fielder Rowan Richards to
strike out to end the inning,
and the Irish bowed out quickly
in the seventh.

Senior Greg Allen took the
loss for the Irish, dropping him
to 0-2 on the season. Allen,
who pitched four innings
before turning the ball over to
freshman Alex Schilliday, was
touched for three runs in the
first two innings on homeruns
by David Miller and Ben
Pennington.

"We had a chance to go
undefeated in the tournament," commented Mainieri.
"We ran into two quality pitchers from
Memphis, however, and our
pitchers simply beat our
hitters.

While the close loss to Memphis ended the weekend
for the Irish, they were able to hang their heads.
The three wins leave the
team at 500 after their
first two weeks of play, and
they have shown signs of brilli­
ance on the offensive end
while receiving an outstanding
inning from a pitcher who had
struggled in his first outing.

"Overall I'm pleased with our
performance this weekend," commented Mainieri.
"We just need to get better on the
mound, and we need to become
more consistently aggressive at
the plate. Overall, you can't be
terribly unhappy about winning
three out of four.

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Men drop three at Louisville tourney

By JOE CAVATO
Sports Writer

After getting off to a quick 6-1 start, the Notre Dame men’s tennis team came back with a wrinkle in the middle of their tough schedule.

Over the weekend, the team competed at the USTA/ITA national indoor tennis championships in Louisville. This tournament features some of the top teams in the country, such as national powers Georgia, USC, and Florida. The Irish went into Kentucky with a 6-1 record and came back 6-4.

In the first round the Irish battled number three Georgia but fell 5-2. The young doubles team of freshman Brian Patterson and sophomore Jakub Pietrowski won their third match of the season in three attempts, beating the Bulldogs second ranked combination of Eddie Jacobs and John Roddick 8-6.

The teams of Mike Sroscope and Jason Pun team as well as Ryan Simme and John Jay O’Brien dropped their matches 2-8 and 8-9 respectively.

On the singles side the Irish earned points in the number one and two slots. Sroscope defeated another top opponent this time the nation’s eighth-ranked player in Georgia’s John Roddick. 7-6, 6-3. In the second singles position Pietrowski battled Jamie Laschinger in a grueling three set match 2-6, 6-4, 7-6.

Simme and O’Brien were defeated by the 18th and 46th players as Georgia displayed depth that it has ranked in the top five.

The first consolation round matched the fourteenth-ranked Irish and 13th-ranked Fresno State.

The Bulldogs took a doubles point as Pietrowski and Patterson lost their first match of the season. Senior Mike Kelly Gullet and Bryan Juinio clinched the doubles to advance for Fresno State as they took just ten games to defeat O’Brien and Simme.

Senior Pun won the only point for the Irish as he defeated Gullet in the number six singles position. The third ranked player in the country, Fredrik Johansson of Sweden edged Pietrowski 6-4, 7-6.

Simme’s and Patterson’s matches went the distance as their opponents needed three sets to earn the points. Simme fought with Blage Perton as they split the first two sets 6-4, 4-6, before Perton took over and won the third and decisive set 6-0.

Both Sroscope’s and O’Brien’s matches were suspended after the Bulldogs scored their fourth point, resulting in the 4-1 final.

The 13th place contest saw a rematch of the Kentucky and Notre Dame match earlier this year. The Irish and Wildcats have split their last six meetings, all with a score of 4-3. Notre Dame took the earlier match-up in dramatic and thrilling fashion, but Kentucky got their revenge as the Wildcats dealt the Irish 4-3.

Kentucky got off to the quick start as they won the doubles point. The Irish and Wildcats have split their last six meetings, all with a score of 4-3. Notre Dame took the earlier match-up in dramatic and thrilling fashion, but Kentucky got their revenge as the Wildcats dealt the Irish 4-3.

The Irish faced a tough first round opponent in top-ranked, undefeated Florida. The Gators overpowered the Irish 8-0 with a solid line-up featuring many nationally ranked players.

“Florida was a solid team,” stated head coach Jay Louderback. “I think we played well. They just happened to play a little bit better.”

Unfortunately in this match the team suffered a casualty. The top singles player for the Irish, senior. Woody Crabtree, aggravated her Achilles’ tendon. Crabtree should be ready to play in future matches.

In Friday’s consolation match, the Irish took on No. 12 South Carolina and dismissed the Gamecocks, 6-2. With the loss of Crabtree the Irish moved on to play in future matches.

The Irish earned wins at the sixth-ranked California Bears. The match was tight all the way through, with a split in the singles matches. Notre Dame finally clinched it by capturing two out of the three doubles matches.

“Cal was a tough team,” stated Louderback. “Govan came up with a big win, and Gavin played as good as I have ever seen her. With those victories, we got back in the match.”

The Irish earned wins at the one, four and six singles spots. Hall defeated Amanda Augustus 6-2, 6-3 at number one singles. Then Govan came through with a close win against Francesca La’o, 7-5, 6-1. At number six, Govan quick­ly put to rest Marta MacLennan, 6-1, 6-0. The doubles matches were once again the key for the Irish. The team suffered a tough loss at the top spot as Crabtree and Lord were defeated 9-8.

The Irish quickly rebounded with second-ranked Govan and Hall defeating Nicole Elliott and MacLennan, 8-4. Olson and Velasco secured the team victory by coming up with the close win over Krista Donahew and Stephanie Tibbis, 9-8.

“Overall, this was a great weekend,” Louderback said. “We had a tough schedule these past few weeks. This weekend was positive, all of these new players have gotten some playing time and played well for us. This weekend helped us with our depth.”

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Bengal Bouts semi-finals up for grabs

Anything is possible on this evening's card

By MIKE NORBUT
Sports Editor

Toby Biellochini wanted to get to the finals. But not this way.
The senior and President of the Bengal Bouts will not be boxing until the finals Friday night after his opponent for tonight’s semi-finals, Joe Leslie, was not allowed to fight.

"This is what we worked for all year," Biellochini said. "As a senior, I’m seizing my opportunities in two of three possible fights. But, this is the card I've been dealt. Hopefully it’ll all work out."

Leslie suffered a broken hand in his 135-pound quarterfinal victory over Brian Norton Sunday. He was promptly scratched from the Tuesday card, leaving only 28 bouts in the 15 different weight classes.

When it’s all said and done, though, the number may still drop to 27. Senior Dan Glennon, who injured his left shoulder in his 145-pound quarterfinal win, may not be able to continue to the semis. His fight is not tonight's card.

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Bengal Bouts semi-finals up for grabs

Hot bats overcome Armed Forces

Irish take three of four in Armed Services Classic

By DYLAN BARMER
Sports Writer

Three out of four ain’t bad.
The Notre Dame baseball team won three straight games at the Armed Services Classic in Millington, Tennessee this past weekend, before falling 4-3 to Memphis in the final game on Sunday.
The weekend started off well for the Irish (3-3), as they won back to back seven-inning games, blasting Army 12-3 before squeaking by Navy 1-0 in the second game of the night.
The Irish dispatched Army behind a 20-hit offensive assault and a gassy five inning, four bit performance on the mound from sophomore Christian Parker.
Against the Cadets the Irish came out on top, the attack throughout the lineup, as seven different players drove in at least one run.

All throughout the lineup everybody just swung the bat really well," commented head coach Paul Mainieri. "We were a lot more aggressive at the plate than we had been in the series against Georgia Tech, and it showed."

Perhaps the Irish were a little too aggressive in the opening game, as they needed every bit of offense they could squeeze together to sink the Midshipmen. The only run of the game came on a first inning moon shot over the left field fence by Irish freshman Mike McCurdy, who went 2 for 4. McCurdy is the top seed in the 130 pound division.

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Fencers dominate in NCAA tune-up

By WILLY BAUER
Sports Writer

It went exactly as planned.
Notre Dame’s fencing team repeated as Midwestern Conference champion last weekend at the Joyce Center, and are preparing for this weekend’s NCAA qualifiers.
"After the tournament I felt the team is not performing at its best," said coach Yves Auriol. "I hope the team is not fooled by trophies."

"It was a long competition," explained Auriol. "When you fence teams who aren’t at your level and then fence tougher fencers you lose some concentration."

Once again the women’s full team was at the top of its game. The team swept its nine opponents with relative ease by an average score of 14-2.

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Tennis takes on top teams

Irish host Alex Wilson Invite

Women’s hoops beats West Virginia

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**Men's Basketball**
- vs. Miami, February 28, 7:00 p.m.
- Women's Basketball
  - at Big East Tournament, Storrs, CT
  - March 2, TBA
- Hockey
  - vs. Ferris State, March 2, 7:00 p.m.

**Men's Tennis**
- vs. Michigan State, February 28, 3:30 p.m.

**Baseball**
- at New Orleans, March 1, 1:00 p.m.
- SMC Sports
  - Tennis vs. Hope, March 2, 1:00 p.m.