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Lou Holtz

After 11 years at ‘the best job in the world,’ Lou will move on

By TIM SHERMAN
Sports Editor

Lou Holtz never wanted to be considered a legend at Notre Dame. He felt that honor was only fitting for great Irish coaches of the past like Knute Rockne, Frank Leahy, and Ara Parseghian.

But after coaching more games (128) than any of them and winning more (99) than both Leahy and Parseghian, Holtz will become exactly what he never wanted to be considered.

He will become a legend.

The road to such a status began yesterday as the 59-year old Holtz announced that he will resign his position as head football coach effective at the end of the 1996 season.

"I cannot honestly give you a reason for my resignation, except that I feel it is the right thing to do," said Holtz in a prepared statement.

The official announcement came at his regularly scheduled Tuesday afternoon press conference, but it was, by no means, a surprise.

A throng of more than 100 members of the media attended the event that ended days of intense speculation concerning Holtz’s future.

The announcement came about quite quickly and many question the reason behind it.

Though he emphatically asserted that he left on his own terms, Holtz had other comments that only added fuel to the theory that his decision may not have been 100 percent voluntary.

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Plea for cultural diversity

As we speak, the issue of race and cultural diversity at Notre Dame is gaining an increasing amount of attention. Only a mere thirty years after the civil rights movement began, the call for the advancements made in race relations at Notre Dame is being echoed here.

The University recently received the unwelcome honor of being named among the worst of race relations at Notre Dame thirty years after the civil rights movement began, the call for the advancements made in race relations at Notre Dame community means that it affects all members of the Notre Dame community. If those of us who are here now do everything we can to make this community a truly open environment, perhaps more minority students will feel comfortable here.

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PASS THE CREAM CHEESE: Kellogg buys Lender's Bagels

BATTLE CREEK, Mich. - Kellogg wants to feed everyone at your breakfast table, including those who prefer toasted bagels to Frosted Flakes.

Kellogg Co. - the maker of Pop Tarts, Eggo frozen waffles, and Frosted Flakes and Rice Krispies cereals - said Monday it is buying Lender's Bagels from Kraft Foods Inc. for $455 million. Lender's is the nation's biggest bagel maker - from refrigerated and fresh - with annual sales of $275 million.

For Kraft, the deal ends its role in the bakery business. It sold off its other bakery businesses - including Entenmann's cakes and cookies and Boboli pizza crusts - more than a year ago to CPC International Inc. for $865 million.

Lender's "is very much consistent with Kellogg's long-standing tradition of nutrition and diet," said Joseph Stewart, Kellogg's vice president of corporate affairs.

The deal is expected to be completed by the end of the year. Lender's has operations in West Haven and New Haven, Conn.; Mattoon, Ill.; and Buffalo, N.Y., and had said the plants' 800 jobs will not be affected.

Kraft's stock fell slightly on the news, down 12 1/2 cents at $68.12 1/2 in late afternoon trading on the New York Stock Exchange.

Duchess jokes with Letterman

NEW YORK

The Duchess of York, who has complained of rough treatment from the British media, told David Letterman she that can cut a chick a bit of flak," the former Sarah Ferguson said Monday on CBS' "Late Show with David Letterman.

"Fergie, 37, said she can travel in America "You're too fat, she's thin, her skirt's too short, too long," the Duchess, who was divorced from Prince Andrew in May, began a U.S. last week to promote her autobiography. "My Story."

Letterman joked that she spent her childhood "lying up the farm boys legs and making them run through the mud," maturing very late when she was already on the public stage.

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Inmate riot wins coveted forum

PHOENIX

Hundreds of inmates angered by conditions in their "tent city" jail set fires and held 11 guards hostage for nearly three hours before winning a meeting with the "toughest sheriff in America," Sheriff Joe Arpaio, known for tough tactics such as female chain gangs and banning cigarettes and adult magazines, held two jail yard meetings Sunday, first with a committee of three inmates and later with more than 200 inmates. Earlier Sunday, more than 400 police lined the Durango Jail, some in full camouflage riot gear and carrying shotguns, while inmates inside held guns and met the guards of whom they were injured by being pelleted with rocks. Inmates complained about inadequate medical care, brutality, bad food and the discomfort of living in the tents.

Maricopa County Attorney Rick Romley said the complaints deserved a response. "We've been concerned that there might be such a risk because of overcrowding."

Romley said. "They've been here less than a year. No complaints out there." The tent jail was empty today. After the contractor who had arrested the county jails for up to two days. Guards said it started when they tried to separate two fighting inmates.

Airline to provide shock remedies

DALLAS

American Airlines aircraft will soon become the first U.S. carriers to fly with defibrillators - electric shock paddles that can revive heart attack victims in the air.

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The Philadelphia Orchestra has agreed to return to the stage after a nine-week strike, but musicians say their relationship with management isn't exactly harmonious. Musicians voted 54-47 with two abstentions late Monday to ratify a three-year contract that gives a raise in base pay, eliminates automatic royalty payments, and creates a new venture to increase ticket sales. They had been on strike since Sept. 16. A special concert was planned for tonight." There had been concerns that it would be reviewed whether defibrillators should become part of the standard of care, which now contains a device to measure blood pressure, a stethoscope and medications for chest pain. By delivering an electric shock to the heart, a defibrillator can restart a heart that has stopped or correct abnormal heart rhythms that prevent proper blood flow to the rest of the body.

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Holtz will run onto the football field at Notre Dame Stadium for the last time on Saturday, as the team faces off against Rutgers.

Athletic Director Mike Wadsworth looks on as head football coach Lou Holtz announced the end of his 11-year stay with the Irish, effective at the end of the 1996 season.
Retreat gives perspectives

By ANN KEARNs Associate Saint Mary’s Editor

Many students feel the pressure to not only excel academically and socially but also to discover who they are and what they want from life. Saint Mary’s College has started a retreat program designed to help students do this. The idea for these retreats derived from a conference attended by students and faculty over the summer. The Spiritual Leadership Conference helped students pinpoint what they were looking for in the College: an environment that would bond, share meaningful experiences, and get to know another better at a deeper level. The result was the new series of retreats at Saint Mary’s known as SMC Awakening.

The first retreat took place the weekend of Nov. 1-2 at a retreat center in Michigan. SMC sophomore, Mary Kerr, senior at Saint Mary’s, attended the first retreat and found that her time to herself helped her to reflect, “There is a need for stillness...to discover where we are and where we are going.” Mary Kerr commented. The retreat was led by students Amy Goldbeck and Julie Min. With assistance from Judy Fault, Director of Campus Ministry, Fearon commented on the effectiveness of the retreat: “I saw a spirit I haven’t seen around campus for a while.” Not only did she see the participants benefitting from the experience, she also felt personally enriched by being involved. The genuineness of the students searching for God in everyday life challenged her to do the same in her own life, she said.

Sister Gertrude Anne Otis also assists in the directing of these retreats. She hopes the participants can gain “a deeper realization of who they are and a sense of direction for life.”

Set apart from campus, “the Solitude” is the home of a series of spiritual retreats for Saint Mary’s students titled “SMC Awakening.” It will “give a sense of direction for the new semester,” marking a new beginning. These retreats are not developed with a specific denomination in mind, although a Christian tone unifies the exercises. The weekend ends with an optional mass at the Church of Loreto.

The environment is also conducive to reflection and prayer.

Accommodations are informal and house 15 students in private rooms and are set apart from campus.

Registration has already begun for the next SMC Awakening, and spaces are limited. Contact the Campus Ministry Office for more information. The retreat will run from Fri., Jan. 17 to Sun., Jan. 19. Donation price is $20.

Freshman class council posters spark turmoil

By PATTI CARSON Managing Editor

The Notre Dame and Saint Mary’s freshman classes are co-sponsoring a bonfire on the Saint Mary’s campus for Thursday night at 7 p.m. Each institution provided its own advertising for the event. The posters created by the Notre Dame freshman class that hang in the women’s dorms read, “Hey freshman girls: FIGHT BACK! Don’t let the SMC girls take all your guys. Come to the bonfire at the St. Mary’s dorms and show the THAT’S NOT OUR MEN...[date, place given].” The posters hanging in the male dorms at ND read “GET SOME (smores, hot chocolate, etc. with the) SMC STUDENTS at the bonfire...” For “the good relations” between these classes, Beatty indicated that she knew that the Notre Dame freshmen class meant no harm. She went on to say, “I didn’t think that they would do this with any sort of malice. There are no hard feelings.”

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Saint Mary's freshman class councilers have been fielding many calls, according to Matt Wohlgemuth, publicity chairman for the SMC freshman class, however, posted advertisements were not approved. “SMCND freshmen...THE POSTERS ARE BAD!” SMCND freshmen posted on Thursday, Nov. 21 at 7 p.m...smores, goodies, fun...on the soccer fields.

Since the posters have been posted everywhere on University of Notre Dame’s, freshman class representatives have been fielding many calls, according to Matt Wohlgemuth, publicity chairman for the freshman class of Notre Dame. The freshman class president at Saint Mary’s has also received calls from students and faculty members.

“When I saw their signs, I was surprised and disappoint- ed,” Saint Mary’s freshman class president Beth Beatty said. “The Notre Dame class had been nothing but kind and cooperative to our freshman class,” she added.

Due to the “good relations” between these classes, Beatty indicated that she knew that the Notre Dame freshman class meant no harm. She went on to say, “I didn’t think that they would do this with any sort of malice. There are no hard feelings.”

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The Guide goes on the ‘Web’

The Guide will again offer for- mal descriptions and student evaluations of courses offered next spring, but this semester students will find its advice goes on the World Wide Web. Student Government decided last week to add a Web page to increase the guide’s accessibility and cut back on paper use.

"It really does save a lot of money. Our administration has been trying to cut back on excess spending," said Seth Miller, student body president, commenting.

Becca Fulton, academic commissioner, and Executive Coordinator of Intellectual Life Kate McShane were responsible for assembling this year’s guide, which will bring the same format to its new medium.

"The 1997 Guide is comparable to last year’s," Fulton affirmed. "It’s been up since last Monday, and we worked all semester on it."

All information is compiled from student surveys. Because many students fail to return the surveys, and because many professors do not volunteer their class’s time for the endeavor, only 27 classes are profiled in The Guide.

"It’s student-based, but we need professor cooperation," Fulton said. "Professors and students need to realize that this guide is for them. They need to take the time to sit back and fill out the surveys if they want to see more courses in The Guide."

student Government anticipates increased traffic as DART takes an online approach for underclassmen.

"Any amount of people looking at a page is a good sign, but that’s not enough if there’s 8000 undergrads here," Fulton said.

McShane and Fulton are already assembling data for next semester’s guide, and they anticipate using the Web to display their results again.

"We figured paperwork gets misplaced, but computer access is unlimited," Fulton explained. The Student Government Web page can be found at http://www.nd.edu/stugov.
Loux explores African cultural differences

By SHANNON RYAN

Saint Mary’s Associate English Professor Ann Loux experienced a entirely different culture last year on her sabbatical to Cameroon, Africa.

Yesterday, in LeMans Hall’s Stapleton Lounge, she brought these experiences to life for faculty, students, and friends as part of the Saint Mary’s Justice Education “Conversation Series.”

In her presentation, titled “Women in Cameroon,” the Fulbright Scholar imparted her thrill of returning to America after living in what she called a society of extreme contradictions. “I feel so honored to have all of you come me back,” she said to the assembled.

As a stranger in Cameroon, Loux gained insights through the daily trials she faced. Dressed in the typical garb of the Baqueri tribe, Loux fashioned her wrap-around skirt as an example of their practical lifestyle.

Demonstrating the numerous uses of the two-layered skirt, she showed its use as a dress, a means of tribe identification, a shawl, a blanket for swaddling an infant, and a basket for carrying goods home from the market.

Her shirt, much like ones worn in Cameroon, was designed so that women can easily breast feed their babies. Comparing western clothing that she said was often associated with sex appeal to what she considered the African’s practical clothing, Loux joked, “This shirt was designed for baby and breast, not for men and the breast.”

Her perceptions concerning the role of women in African society focused on its contradictions. Living in close quarters with the students she taught, Loux was able to observe the daily lives of the African women.

In the absence of their husbands these women were strong, assertive, violent, and proud, said Loux.

They gathered food, prepared meals, raised their families, and performed many other tasks throughout the day. However, when African husbands returned home from work, their wives bowed down to them on their hands and knees, said Loux. They offered dinner to their husbands, not speaking or eating unless given permission.

Loux was amazed by these women’s complete change in personality in the presence of men. “I had to ask myself if these were the same women I had just noticed a few minutes ago laughing about their ‘worthless husbands,’” she stated.

As the recipient of the Fulbright Scholarship, Loux collected stories from her students as part of her project. She told the group that some people in positions of authority were unwilling to assist her in her endeavors.

“In fact,” she explained, “they made it difficult every step of the way.” Although she encountered many obstacles, including having to establish her own press because men were unwilling to publish a collection of women’s stories, she succeeded in publishing her work.

She read “The Escape,” a short story by one of her African students, dealing with the perplexities of African society and the restrictions placed on women.

In the story, a young girl runs away from an arranged marriage. She then confronts her parents with the absurdity of this proposal and argues instead for the merits of education; at the stories’ end however, she runs away to become a prostitute and forgets about her dream.

“What do you think it means that 95 percent of my female students in Cameroon wrote about prostitution? What are your theories?” she asked the audience.

The stories about prostitution, which Loux described as one of the only growing industries in Cameroon, shows a contradiction between escape and confinement in the life of African women, according to Loux.

She prompted the audience to put themselves in the place of these women. “An unmarried woman is a disgrace among the family. She would rarely be welcomed back into the home of her mother if she chose to live unmarried,” said Loux.

Also, if a female wished to be educated, she dismissed the chance of marriage, according to Loux. “An educated woman would be too much; she could walk away and support herself,” she said, imitating responses she received from her male students.

“Mummy Ann,” as Loux’s students called her, said she was unsure if the women would take their strength and combine it with their education to overcome the sexism of their country.

Loux finished her speech by talking of the way that the culture of Cameroon effected her. “I learned how grateful I am for how well things work here and for families,” Loux commented. “I learned family mean just as much in America as they do in Africa.”

The award, presented annually during the fall meeting of the nation’s Catholic bishops, was conferred Tues., Nov. 12, in a ceremony at the Omni Shoreham Hotel in Washington, D.C. Calling the announcement of the award “a very significant moment in our institutional history,” University President Father Edward Malloy said that Notre Dame aspires to be “a place where volunteer service is encouraged, not only for students but also for the faculty and staff members of our University community.”

For more information call 272-1441
A federal crash investigator today chastised the company that packed oxygen canisters into a ValuJet plane's hold, saying it violated procedures by complaining about evidence scheduled to be presented at a hearing.

John Goglia, chairman of the National Transportation Safety Board panel holding the hearing, interrupted today's session to criticize SabreTech Corp., the company that packed the canisters suspected of fueling or sparking the blaze that sent the jetliner crashing into the Everglades, killing all 110 people aboard.

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His voice rising in anger, Goglia called the company statement a violation of NTSB procedures on the release of investigatory material.

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Calais, France

It was the Channel Tunnel's nightmare—intense flames and deadly fumes choking the 31-mile tunnel, used to whisk passengers and freight beneath the English Channel.

Eight people, including a pregnant woman, were overcome by smoke when the fire broke out Monday night on a truck being hauled to Britain on a freight train.

It was the first serious accident since the tunnel linking Britain and France opened two years ago. Service was halted and could take three weeks to be fully restored.

None of the fatalities were life-threatening. But the fire was a terrifying example of what can happen—despite elaborate safety precautions and frequent security drills—in this man-made engineering wonder beneath the sea.

"Another five or 10 minutes longer, we'd have been carried out in bulk," said truck driver Brian Shelton, one of 34 people evacuated from the tunnel.

'It just filled up with smoke so quick it was unbelievable. Everyone was vomiting and choking. It was going to be the end," he said. "It was like being in a tomb.""

The fire broke out at 9:45 p.m. and was calm by 11:30 a.m. the next day. No thought was given to being in a tunnel—"the fire was immediate," Moylan said.

The heat and smoke from the fire filled the tunnel with acrid fumes. The tunnel, which operates the tunnel, said truck drivers were overcome by the fumes, which are thick and difficult to see.

The tunnel's safety authority "wonders whether the fire could have escaped from firefighting equipment or from engine oil." The fire, which lasted for about 20 minutes, destroyed the tunnel's passenger section, which was used to carry passengers and cargo.

Eurotunnel, which operates the tunnel, said it hoped to reopen partial service sometime in May or June.

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The tunnel's safety authority "wonders whether the fire could have escaped from firefighting equipment or from engine oil." The fire, which lasted for about 20 minutes, destroyed the tunnel's passenger section, which was used to carry passengers and cargo.

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However, these accomplishments are in part compared to the advancements this University has made academically and financially, with the vigorous building expansion, the cosmetic enhancement of the campus grounds and numerous other positive developments on campus. I will be proud to tell my grandchildren. I will be proud to tell my grandchildren about Notre Dame. The record belongs to Knute Rockne or some other coach in the future. I am comfortable leaving here with his record intact, and just to have held the same position as Rockne, Leahy, Parseghian and others is reward enough for me. When I was hired, I said I didn't come here to become a legend, but to merely serve Notre Dame. This I have always tried to do. It is up to others to ascertain whether I accomplished this or not. I am sure there will be many coaches in the future here at Notre Dame, but I feel confident when I say none will be any prouder than I was to represent this University or more loyal to its beliefs or more grateful for the opportunity. I cannot honestly give you a reason for my resignation, except to say I feel it is the right thing to do. People will say there has to be more to it than this, but believe me, there isn't. I have absolutely no plans for the future. My health (to my knowledge) is good, and I feel as much enthusiasm for life as I did when I became a head coach at the age of 32. What I will do in the future will be dependent upon the opportunities available to me — but at the present time I have no options, nor do I anticipate any. My only concern is to do everything possible to make our team win their last two games, and hopefully bowl games, to help our staff further their coaching careers, and to assist the new coach in every way possible to make the transition as smooth and productive as possible. Then, and only then, will I look for a job. If I do retire, it will be for my health and a job. This will be a joyous day for many, emotional for a few, inconsequential to some — but to a small group (including me) it is a sad day — but I feel it is the right thing to do. I have prayed on my decision, so I will not question it.

In closing, I thank the University of Notre Dame, the players, the coaches, the students, graduates, fans, subway alumni and others for their support — but more emphatically, for their understanding. I can rest assured God answered them.

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"It is difficult to leave Notre Dame at this time, for many reasons," he said. "I will miss the students; and I would have loved to have had the opportunity to coach in the new stadium, which I observed from its original conception to its completion. "But the main reason I regret leaving is because I will leave a talented group of young men who I respect and love."

In addition, Holtz’s drive to continue at his profession is far from gone. "I will retire, it will be because I couldn't find a job," he said. He emphasized that his decision to leave was not prompted by another coaching offer, nor has he been contacted by any college or professional team.

The only definite reason Holtz gave for leaving related to the timing and logistics of the move. "I felt in the best interests of the University of Notre Dame and to maintain continuity, that the decision be made during the season," Holtz said. "And that's the only reason it was made during the season. And I think this will be fair and allow whoever the coach is to come in and not lose a beat in recruiting." Holtz explained the three recruiting visits for next season would occur in December and January, and that the new coach and staff would now give the new coach adequate time to prepare for them. Right now, the question of just who that coach will be is up in the air. University executive vice-president Father William Beauchamp and Athletic Director Mike Wadsworth spoke after Holtz concluded his comments but neither could offer details regarding the search for a successor.

We have initiated contact (with prospective coaches) but we will not be in a position now or in the future to answer questions with respect to the people that we are contacting until such time as we have a new coach to introduce to you," Wadsworth said. Clearly, though, the day was Holtz’s. The 11-year coach of the Irish reflected upon a number of topics during his near-hour-long conference, but perhaps the one subject that Holtz seemed most emphatic about was his love for the University.

Though he refrained from any visible sign of emotion, Holtz spoke at length about what Notre Dame meant to him. "Championships don't make Notre Dame," Holtz said. "What makes Notre Dame is a love of the school and the discipline and the standards and the way the student will take one another. "You have no idea how proud I've been when people say he's the coach at Notre Dame or he's been there or he's going to walk across the campus and see the Dome and walk in Sacred Heart. "I'll miss that. And I get sad when I think about it. Many members of the Notre Dame family he mentioned will, too, surely be saddened by his departure.

Holtz took over a floundering Irish program at the end of the 1985 season, but by the end of his second season at the helm, Notre Dame was already back in the national picture. The next season, 1988, Holtz led a talented but young squad through a murderous schedule and ended the season with a 12-0 record and Notre Dame’s 11th national championship. It was the only title for Holtz but twice (1989 and 1993), his squad finished the season as the nation’s second-ranked squad in disputed voting. Still, Holtz’s place in Notre Dame history will long be remembered. "We are leaving a healthy football program," he said in his statement. "I base this observation on the 2,500 people that attend our weekly lunches, the capacity crowds for the pep rallies, the enlargement of the stadium, the fact that 88 percent of our games (including every game in the last five years) have been carried on national television, the academic success of our players, the integrity and honesty of our program, the caliber of people we have on our team, and the nine-year streak of playing in a Jan. 1 bowl, (despite playing 43 percent of our games against nationally ranked opponents) to mention a few."

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And by the way it was 73° in Tuscaloosa on December 5, 1995
Many would benefit from heeding advice of old adage

"If you can't say anything nice, don't say anything at all," they say. As much of my entertainment derives from making fun of others, I've never had much use for this trite little maxim. However, with a minor change, it's a valuable rule of thumb: "If you can't say anything intelligent, don't say anything at all.

Kirsten Dunne

I've found that keeping silent on topics about which one knows little or nothing is a very good idea, which is why both my writing and my conversations with others usually consist of meaningless gibberish. It seems that there are a lot of people who have not discovered the value of silence, though. And while listening to people spew out nonsensical notions is often highly amusing, you'd think they might find it a trifle embarrassing.

Two people who I KNOW are not ashamed of their ignorance are our family friends — let's call them John and Mary. One night, my mother and I met the couple, along with two of their annoying offspring, for dinner. We were having a decent enough time, until Mary started to talk as if she knew something about criminal and constitutional law. I recall correctly, she was completely off the wall, folks! Oh well — the mistake of the Right Reason folks didn't particularly bother me. In fact, you could say it filled me with glee. There are some people whom I truly like to see making idiots of themselves!

The recent election, coupled with O.J.'s civil trial, has everyone offering his or her opinion lately. A piece of advice: If you really don't know what you're talking about, SHUT UP! I am certainly going to do so! I think O.J. is innocent, and I voted for the big-eared, wacko billionnaire. What the hell do I know?

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DODNUSEY

"You don't change Notre Dame. Notre Dame changes you."

—Lou Holtz
Response to Coyne’s dating guide shows misconceptions

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Acceptor intrinsic problems of serious relationships

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What is your favorite version of “A Christmas Carol” and Why?

“The Muppet Christmas Carol” because those wild and wacky guys make me laugh.

Megan Driscoll, Junior, Holy Cross

“Scrooged”, because it’s fun to watch Carol Kane hit Bill Murray with a toaster.

Mike Gaglia, Senior, Fisher

“Charles Dickens’ original because of the cool sound effects”

Julie Burk, Junior, Holy Cross

“The Muppet Christmas Carol” because Gonzo is the Man.

Brian O’Reilly, Junior, Flanner

“We like the Mickey Mouse one because it’s so fun. It reminds us of being a little kid.”

Devon Batterby/Danielle Weldon, Freshmen, Lewis

“The original one because the lights make me feel like I’m at a disco.”

Tony Schaefer, Senior, Flanner

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Scrooge has erected proscenium elements, the changes are completed, actors moving on stage, view of the audience, element of theatricality, that is it indeed a theatrical production, not intended to represent real life.

Lighting, designed by Karl Buehrer, Notre Dame, Senior.
World Premiere of Dickens' Classic to Life

By BYRNE BETH ELLIS

ACENT Copy Editor

DISCLAIMER: Because I love you girls, and because the South Bend news media is currently making me want to vomit into my "The Presidents of Notre Dame" Student cup, the following column will contain absolutely no references to Lou Holtz's resignation, or leanings toward doing anything there, or anything that the University hire a coach with the same first name so the Band won't have to throw away the sheet music to "The 1812 Overture." (Amusing.)

A few Christmases ago my godfather managed to snare tickets to the hottest holiday play in Cincinnati, "A Christmas Carol." He didn't like it. He didn't like it because, quote, "I thought there was going to be singing. What kind of show with a name like 'A Christmas Carol' do you not have any Christmas carols in it?"

(Sound of English majors wincing across campus.)

My godfather is a charming, intelligent person, and I can't judge him for not being tremendously hip to the latest wrong turnings of Dickens, because unlike me he can add in his head. This man is not stupid. This man, however, did graduate from the University of Cincinnati, the same school that — this is true — recently thought it might be fun to impound an entire dorm in order to create more parking space. (Pause as reader slowly comes to the realization that there may be better uses for the land on which Zahn classroom buildings sit.)

You wouldn't see a product of ND or my SAINT MARY'S COLLEGE making a literary faux pas like that. No sir. We are well-educated in the art of the written word. Why? Because we can't find Cliff's Notes within a ten-mile radius of campus, that's why, and have no choice but to seek it up and actually attempt to read great fonts of the art of the written word, or at the very least get loaded before we forego the ability to make any sense whatsoever of Animal Farm. That is what separates us from those choir schools whose maestros are in fact gigantic walking nuts.

I realize that not all of us are just too busy designing god-awful metal campus "art" or freezing to death while doing two entirely separate jobs, or going to see a product of books that do not feature pictures. So for those of you on that other side of the brain, here's a copy of the Cliff's Notes version of "A Christmas Carol."

I managed to lay hands on. Don't ask how until the statue of limitations runs out."

SCROOGE

by CHARLES DICKENS

Famous Excessively Wordy British Author, Now Dead, Thank God

SETTING: England, a long time ago, 18-thingsome, at any rate some crusty old writer in which the people who were alive at the time are almost certainly dead by now, with the possible exception of Dick Clark.

Part I Plot Analysis: We meet miserly Ebenezer Scrooge, a man with a pole shoved up his but if we ever met one, and his hardworking, severely unappreciated, but for some reason disgustingly cheerful clerk, Bob Cratchit. Scrooge spends a lot of time whining around like a smashed freshman denied Stadium access just because he threw up on the usher at the gate. Scrooge spends a lot of time being disgustingly cheerful even though he has something like sixty kids and one of them, Tiny Tim, has a limp or something and don't you think this guy is so poor he really ought to start looking into some birth control? This can't be too much of a problem. I mean, everyone knows there are no Catholics in England.

REVIEW QUESTIONS

1) A small misguided contingent in my hometown is attempting to bring the 2008 Summer Games to Cincinnati. Do you honestly think the International Olympic Committee is going to award the biggest sporting event on the planet to the same city that hosted Marge Schott? Explain.

2) Who was that guy who played Theo's friend Crossbsch on The Cosby Show? Whatever happened to that guy? Discuss.

3) If I am the only one who has noticed that the University took down the portraits of "A Christmas, perfectly functional stop sign" and Groton and replaced it with a weird short brown ugly one? Do you think I should tell the University that I might sign a petition against this?

Part II Plot Analysis: Scrooge is visited by ghosts from Christmas past, present, and future who show him disturbing scenes from his lonely, miserable life and toward the end long hours of cold, pointless work.

"My God!" Scrooge said. "I am an architect major!"

He meets a man and finds Tiny Tim a scholarship for Limping Sons of Severely Underapprecitated But Disgustingly Cheerful Clerk British-Amerians.

REVIEW

1) Don't leave out NOOOOOOO!

2) You can't believe every disclaimer you read, you know.
FALCONS SUFFER SETBACK WITH LOSS OF ODOMES

By Paul Newbury

Nate Odomes is longer on his right knee take care of that. But the two-time Pro Bowler pushed himself back from a two-year layoff and was making an impact in the Atlanta Falcons’ secondary. “He’s in shape, but on the field he’s like he’s still fast,” said Cornelius Bennett, Odomes’ teammate during the glory days in Buffalo and back with him on the Falcons. “We were hoping in a few more weeks here, we would begin to fall off on the other guys.”

Odomes’ career suffered another blow early Monday morning, after he took a wrong step in his remarkable comeback by starting at strong safety for the Falcons in a 17-15 victory over New Orleans.

The Falcons was charged with drunken driving after his sport car slammed into a tree in the suburban north of Minneapolis, leaving him with a concussion and numerous abrasions. The 31-year-old was treated at a hospital and released a few hours later. He was lucky to be alive judging from the severity of his Porsche 928 and the half-hour it took for rescue workers to free him from the mangled vehicle.

Still, it was a definite setback for a player who had worked hard to prove he was at least a shadow of the player who tied for the NFL lead with 13 interceptions in 1993.

“He’s very down,” Bennett said. “He’s sort of at a crossroads. He doesn’t know which way he wants to go. He’s had so much bad luck over the past few years. Even his first year back to play football, hopefully he’ll be fine for the rest of his career.”

Coach June Jones visited Odomes at Grinnell’s Medical Center shortly after the wreck and was surprised to learn later that his injuries weren’t more severe.

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Associated Press

KANATA, Ontario
His opportunities to score a goal are so infrequent, defensive end Mike Odilein doesn't always recognize them. He made the most of one of those chances Tuesday night, though.

Odilein's first goal of the season during a third-period tie and gave the New Jersey Devils a 2-1 victory over the Ottawa Senators on Tuesday night.

The Devils' defensiveman scored the power play with 8:29 left in the game. Right wing Bill Guerin fed the puck from the left faceoff circle across the ice to Odilein, who blasted a hard shot just below the crossbar for the game-winner.

"I think it's taken me a little while to know when to jump into a play and when not," said Odilein, traded to the Devils by Montreal during the off-season. "The last seven or eight games, I think I've found it."

"I'm more of a stay-at-home defensiveman, keeping the puck out of the net, but when I get my chances I like to bury them too. I think I contributed more offensively than I did in the past," Odilein said. "Sergei Brylin had the other Devils goal. Bruce Gardner scored for Ottawa.

Senators goalie Damian Rhodes got burnt on just the second shot of the game. Defenseman Steve Duchene was covering Devils defensemen Scott Niedermayer, who got control of the puck at center ice. Niedermayer brought the puck into the offensive zone and passed it back between his legs to Brylin, who fired a hard shot past Rhodes to give New Jersey a 1-0 lead at 2:55 of the first period. It was Brylin's second goal of the season.

"I don't think we played well the first two periods. All night on both sides, passes were not completed. There were a lot of turnovers," Devils coach Jacques Lemaire said. "But what's great is we just continued the third period. We took it over."

Duchene made up for the blunder in the second period, assisting on an imaginary goal. Just 18 seconds after a Senators power play, Denny Lambert fed the puck out of the corner to assist on Jonas Hoglund's goal on a 2-on-1 break.

His shot bounced off Devils goaltender Martin Brodeur but past Flames goalie Mike Richter.

New York led 2-1 following Graves' shorthanded goal midway through the second period before the Flames rallied.

The Rangers, who entered the game with the league's top power play, went scoreless five times with the man advantage.

Rangers 2, Coyotes 2

Darren McCarty scored with 1:43 remaining Monday night to lift the Detroit Red Wings to a 2-1 victory.

Brendan Shanahan also scored a goal and assisted on the game-tying goal for the Red Wings.

Jeremy Roenick and Chad Kilger scored goal in the second period for the Coyotes.

Then he walked off the court against those players. It wasn't a step off the court, it was a step forward."

"I've been doing this for much longer, " he said. "I've been doing this for much longer, that much longer."

"I'm not sure that in two years I was going to stop, but I know I wasn't going to play that much longer."

"I probably knew that I wasn't going to play to much longer, " she said. "I didn't know that in two years I was going to stop, but I knew I wasn't going to play that much longer."

"I've thought about that a lot, that two years ago Martina retired because she needs to do other things. So it feels strange, yeah, to think about that."

Associated Press

TAMPA, Fla.
Jose Lind, a former Gold Glove second baseman for the Pittsburgh Pirates, has been arrested for drug and traffic offenses, the Florida highway Patrol said.

Lind, 32, was "visibly drunk" and naked from the waist down when troopers pulled him over and found a gram of cocaine and seven cans of beer, said highway patrol Lt. Harry Mofield.

"He actually mentioned that he was a baseball player, but I didn't believe him," trooper Harley Yee said.

"The reason we didn't do a sobriety test on the side of the road was because he had no pants," Lind, who last played for California in 1995, is charged with leaving the scene of an accident, driving while under the influence, and possession of cocaine.

He was released from Jail on Monday after Circuit Judge Walter R. Heinrich set bail at $1,250.

Lind was charged in Kansas with battering his ex-wife, violating a restraining order, and cocaine possession. He spent parts of three seasons with Kansas City before joining the Angels.

Lind, of Kissimmee, did not explain why he was wearing only a shirt, and refused to take a breath exam or provide a blood sample, Franks said.

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Young gets the go ahead

By DENNIS GEORGATOS
Associated Press

SANTA CLARA, Calif. Steve Young has the go-head from coach George Seifert, who remains concerned about Young's susceptibility to another concussion.

Young, who has suffered two concussions in three weeks, visited his neurologist Monday and received medical clearance to play.

That left the final say of his playing status with Seifert, who expects to decide by Wednesday whether to start Elvis Grbac at Washington next Sunday or return Young to his starting job.

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**Crime plays spoiler in Ottersella’s Cinderella season**

**Off-Campus defense stifles Sorin offense**
By ADRIAN WILKERSON
Sports Writer

All good things must come to an end. Notre Dame students know that well this week, but nobody knows this better than the Sorin Screamin’ Otters. After a dismal 0-4-1 campaign last year, the Otters’ dream season came to a screeching halt as the Off-Campus Crime handed them a 12-0 loss.

Several factors contributed to the outcome of the game on Saturday. First and foremost, the team with the better secondary did win this past Sunday. However, it wasn’t the secondary that everyone expected. The Crime defensive backfield turned in their best performance of the season with two key interceptions and several important stops to shut down the potent Sorin passing game.

The Off-Campus secondary wasn’t the only thing inhibiting the Sorin aerial attack. The wet and windy weather wreaked havoc on both team’s offense. Any passes thrown were batted around in the air and came down almost too slick to catch. This kind of weather was definitely suited for the running game, which Off-Campus used to dominate the Sorin line.

The first quarter of the game was definitely quite a contest. Both defenses were operating well, so there was not much offense to speak of. Off-Campus had a chance to score on the first drive of the game, but the Sorin defensive line put up a tremendous goal line stand to keep the score tied at zero.

Sophomore Sean Neugebauer and the Otter defense could not shut down the Crime’s ground attack.

The beginning of the second quarter pretty much resembled the first. The Off-Campus running game was working well, but the Sorin defense was able to contain the Crime’s attack when it was really necessary. The Sorin offense did not fare much better, as the Off-Campus line found it almost too easy to break through Sorin’s pass protection.

Midway through the second quarter, things started to go the Crime’s way. The Off-Campus team mounted a serious drive that took most of the second quarter, and this time the Crime were able to run it in for a touchdown, giving them the lead, 6-0. The third quarter saw a return to the regular Sorin game plan. The passing game started to take hold. Several long passes put Sorin into Off-Campus territory several times during the course of the quarter, but the gusting wind and the heavy Off-Campus coverage prevented the Sorin comeback. However, the lack of offense by Off-Campus helped the Crime’s cause, as the third quarter score was still 6-0.

Again, just when the two teams seemed almost even, the Crime proved their superiority by beating Sorin at its own game. Early in the fourth quarter, in the midst of a Sorin drive, an errant pass found itself in the Crime’s hands as an interception. A touchdown bolstered the Off-Campus lead to 12-0.

There was still time for Sorin to mount a comeback, but the same defensive pressure by Off-Campus was present for the remainder of the game. Another interception late in the game secured the victory for Off-Campus. As the Whittier Gamecocks were present for the 1996 interhall football championship game, there was no shortage of excitement for the fans. The showdown will be this Sunday at 12:30 p.m. at Notre Dame Stadium.

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Heart condition uncertain

By MICHAEL LUTZ
Associated Press Writer

HOUSTON — The Houston Rockets won't remember it as a 29-point victory. They'll remember it as a miracle.

The Rockets (9-0), who left halftime after complaining.

Olapowo, who experienced an irregular heartbeat in July, was taken to hospital for tests after the Rockets went to the locker room with a 23- point lead.

In his absence, Charles Barkley scored 16 with 22 points and 17 rebounds as Houston beat the Minnesota Timberwolves 122-93 Tuesday night.

"We were concerned about Hakeem's situation," Rockets coach Rudy Tomjanovich said Monday. "It's a continuation of what happened a couple of years ago. It's day-to-day. We're hoping for the best. You can't be too comfortable under those circumstances." He said the heart attack involves the heart of an athlete.

Olapowo had 10 points and five rebounds in the final period of play, and his replacement, center Ralph Ross, had 11 points and 11 rebounds.

"The (losing) is very frustrating for the players, but you have to support the guys who have been here over the years and have been successful," Tomjanovich said.

"When I started here in 1984, I didn't have a lot of talent and we're not too far off. But we have a lot of talent and we have a little addition to our team."

Tomjanovich, who arrived to start the 1994-95 season after only a few days off-season training, can't believe a team with so much talent will keep on losing.

"It's the best lineageiloffensive wheel in the league and when you see Pittsburgh last in the standings, you think it was a shame," Tomjanovich said.

"Now I'm part of this organization," and I'm worried about it, too."
The university has appealed the NCAA decision, arguing it was not the head coach of the Fighting Irish. When was his win, his determination, and his drive to be Notre Dame's protagonist? He had all the qualities of a Notre Dame's protagonist. On September 11, 1994, the university said Tuesday.

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College Basketball
Missouri faces allegations
Associated Press
COLUMBIA, Mo. - Missouri basketball player Devon Crudup received improper benefits from sports agents and should not have played in the NCAA Tournament in 1994, the university said Tuesday.

Missouri Athletic Director Dave Castiglione said Tuesday that the university did not commit an NCAA violation, said Joe Castiglione, Missouri athletic director.

But Missouri has been ordered to return $79,000 earned from the tournament.

"It is a hard judgment for an institution to swallow," Castiglione said. "You've done everything right. You have good checks and balances in place ... But in this case the institution suffers some consequences even though it was determined it wasn't at fault."

Missouri advanced to the Elite Eight in 1994 before losing to Arizona.

The violations involving Crudup were first reported by The Atlanta Journal and Constitution in November 1994. The newspaper reported wire transfer records obtained by the Florida state attorney's office and campus police linked agents to at least six college athletes, including Crudup.

The information was found as part of an ongoing investigation at Florida State, where 11 athletes were taken on shopping sprees and given cash as enticements to sign with agents before their eligibility expired.

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FOOTBALL
Irish bowl picture comes into focus

By TODD FITZPATRICK
Sports Writer

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Team signs first ever
township in Kerry

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intent, announced head coach
Liz Miller.

"This is definitely one of the
top recruiting classes overall," said
Miller. "The combination of pitching, hitting, and speed make
it one of our strongest classes. We lose seniors after this season
so we will need all four players to come in and contribute imme­
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The signees include right­
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"Coach Auriol teaches us to
strive for perfection in tech­
nique and to be in constant
pursuit of excellence in all ar­
"Siek said. "He is simply
the mainstay of the program for
his career, she has scored 83
goals and dished off 58 assists
(141 points). As a junior, she
netted 44 goals and had 27 as­
sists. Prior to the past two seas­
ons, St. Stephen-St. Agnes has
posted a 38-3 overall record.
A member of the United
States Women's Sabre Association
honorable mention All-America
team in 1996, O'Shaughnessy
was selected to the Washington
Post's all-metro team after she
led her team to a 19-1 mark
and the Independent School
League championship.
She also garnered all-ISL hon­
ors and helped her team to the
WSWLA South 1 tournament
crown.
SMC swimmers rely on experience

By DEBRA DIEMER
Saint Mary's Sports Writer

Earlier this season in the Grand Valley Relay Meet, the Belles competed against Albion and Olivet. From that experience, Saint Mary's is anticipating the results.

Albion, a strong, solid team led by a returning coach, finished third in the Grand Valley Meet, Saint Mary's is anticipating the results.

The team is motivated coming off a one point loss to Calvin last week. After Michelle Samreta broke the breaststroke record, all the swimmers realized that anything was within their reach.

"The Belles adrenaline level has been pushed up with all the progress," commented coach Addington.

Again, Saint Mary's will focus on strong swimmers to anchor the team. Allison Smith and Shannon Kelleher are expected to finish with the 100 and 500 freestyle events while Tara Thomas will lead the 100 backstroke for the Belles. Samreta will use her previous record in breaststroke to fire her up in the water during the breaststroke event.

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21-1 on the season, the Spartans possess the best Division I record in the nation.

Due to the experience of coaching Greensboro during a national championship season, Berticelli is well aware of the support that the Spartans will have backing them on Sunday.

"It's an exciting place to go back to," commented the Irish coach. "It'll be a good crowd." Berticelli added that he did not believe that the crowd would have any negative effect on his players. The Irish have played a number of solid road games this season, including regular season wins against Syracuse and Georgetown, as well as their Big East Championship run which consisted of wins over Connecticut and nationally ranked Rutgers, at Piscataway.

Berticelli is also quite familiar with the UNC Soccer Stadium, in which Sunday's showdown will take place. This experience may prove to be an asset for Notre Dame, especially because it allows the coach to keep a positive outlook, despite the fact that this weekend will mark the sixth time that the Irish have traveled to the East Coast for a match in 1996.

"I have no problem with (where Notre Dame was placed by the NCAA committee)," explained Berticelli. "You have to be able to win on the road sooner or later and we have plenty of experience in the East." The coach was actually able to find some advantages in playing at Greensboro against the No. 3 seed.

"I'm glad we do not have to back to I.U. (where the Irish lost their first round tournament games in 1993 and 1994)," admitted Berticelli. "This gives the players who were here the first two times a chance at something new and different. Sometimes it is better to meet seeded teams in the first round. More seeded teams get beat early, rather than later."

Berticelli, despite his own upbeat attitude about Notre Dame's tournament prospects, feels that it is the confidence of the men who play for him that will carry the team.

"The ones that really believe in themselves are the players," acknowledged the coach. "(Right now) I am extra proud of the team. We overcame an awful lot of adversity and (by winning the Big East Championship) we put a lot of that behind us."

The words of the Irish coach appear to indicate that Notre Dame is right where they want to be. The team, which has been making progress and improvements throughout the season, is peaking right now. They have sneaked up on a number of teams already this season, and there is nothing to suggest that it could not happen again.

In fact, as Berticelli pointed out, Greensboro may have never been as confident as they are right now. "They feel that they have their strongest and deepest team since they've been in Division I."

So the stage is set. The old Spartan coach is in position to return to the place where he won back-to-back Division III titles 13 years ago, and make his former team the initial stepping stone to Notre Dame's and his first Division I national championship.
Successors

character, he has integrity, he has intelligence."

Athletic Director Michael Wadsworth refused to name candi-

dates for the position in order to "pro-
tect the rights of the individuals with whom we will be speaking," but he did cite stringent requirements for Holtz's successor.

"First of all, we will be looking for a coach who will be able to achieve superior athletic results, much along the lines of what Coach Holtz has achieved himself in 11 years. Secondly, we will be looking for a per-
son who will be a role model for the student-athletes and the students at Notre Dame.

"The third key objective is a person who has the dimension to be an out-
standing representative of the University because of the very public high profile position that the head coach of the football program at Notre Dame enjoys."

Wadsworth noted that the country is full of excellent coaches, but few pos-
ess the culture and values of Notre Dame.

The List, then, is short. It is fewer than a half-dozen, which can be interpreted as few as three or four candidates. While Barnett and D'Antoni are the clear front-runners, LSU's Gerry DiNardo and Wisconsin's Barry Alvarez lurk in the background. Both possess phenomenal credentials, par-
ticularly the ability to light a blinding fire under the teams they take over.

Coming into 1995, LSU had not com-
pleted a winning season since 1988 and had not played in a bowl game since that season. But first-year coach DiNardo changed all that. Under DiNardo, the Tigers grabbed the nation's attention and stunned No. 5 Auburn, later rising as high as No. 14 in the country.

This season, LSU has put two losses. The Tigers are led by former No. 1 recrui

Kevin Faulk, who DiNardo vir-
tually stole from Notre Dame last year.

In all, DiNardo has played in three bowl games and coached in five, and he has both played and coached for national championship teams, as a player at Notre Dame in 1973 and as offensive coordinator at Colorado in 1990.

Like DiNardo, Alvarez's pursuit of excellence is hardly matched.

Alvarez was the architect of one of the best rebuilding jobs in college football this decade. After a 1-10 rookie campaign at Wisconsin, the former Notre Dame assistant guided the Badgers to the Rose Bowl in his fourth year in 1993.

It was, of course, Alvarez who also co-
ordinated the defense of the 1988 NCAA national championship team at Notre Dame. For even under Holtz's lead,

``\text{The Observer/Rob Finch}\]

the team in general, and the seniors in particular, when

``\text{he echoed these sentiments.}\]

he is so successful."

Despite all the disappoint-
ment, hype, and subsequent reaction involved in seeing Holtz leave, the players realize that only one thing matters at this point: Holtz has indeed touched the lives of all those connected with the University. "He's got a tough job," noted Chryplewicz. "He's been here since my fresh-
man year. He's done a lot for the University."

"We all love the guy," said Farmer. "He's a great coach. Everything he's done has been for the betterment of us. We're really going to miss him."

"Everybody's going to miss him," said Farmer, "but it's time to move on."

"We're still putting the names together and we'll settle with who we're going to speak to," stated the athletics director.

Holtz's resignation caught numerous players off guard. With two regular season games and a possible bowl game left, many players feel that his departure equals the end of an era.
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FENCING

Fencers focus on the future

By DAVID FRICK
Sports Writer

The men's and women's fencing squads have only one place where they would like to be on Mar. 23 in Colorado Springs, Colo., and that is on top as national champions. Though certainly a lofty goal, the teams have good reason to have such a vision.

With a quality combination of youth and experience, the squad believes they can not only return to the NCAA tournament in force, but prove their dominance as the best team in the nation.

"The second place finish last year gave us the motivation to work harder this year to achieve our goal of a national championship," says sophomore foil team member Stavros Auriol. The thoughts of a championship are echoed by Auriol's father, head coach Vees Auriol, who enters his second year as coach of both the men and women fencing teams.

"Every coach has the goal of winning the national championship each year, but for this year's team I think it is realistic," says coach Auriol. "I would not tell the team this if I didn't think that they had a shot at winning it."

With seven out of eight members from last year's NCAA tournament returning to the stir as the Irish, no one can consider these goals as out of reach. The experienced men's team are led by senior captains Jeremy Siek and Bill Lester, who have been the strong points of the program for the past three years.

Our captains, Jeremy Siek and Bill Lester, have been the winningest Irish to two past NCAA tournaments and carried two previous teams to national titles, but he accomplished the latter as the coach at UNC-Greensboro.

"It's an important part of my memories," Berticelli said of the program. "A lot of my personal highlights from the past are from Greensboro."

In 1982 and 1983, Coach Berticelli led the Spartans to back-to-back Division III championships (the school's first national titles). Since then, Greensboro has developed into a legitimate championship contender in Division I. In fact, at