Report: Davie is new Irish head coach

By TIM SHERMAN
Sports Editor

The winds of change surrounding the now-vacant Notre Dame coaching situation are swirling again.

This time, they are swirling in the direction of current Irish defensive coordinator Bob Davie.

A New York media outlet to break the story防御，

reported Athletic Director Mike Wadsworth. "Nothing has changed in the course of our

search. We said we wanted to make a decision by the first week in December and we are on

course, if not making better time.

Davie wasn't so concerned about the timing as he is about the end result of the situation.

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Friday Feature

A loyal son marches on

Saturday's band performance will cap a senior's return from losing a leg to cancer

By RUSSELL WILLIAMS
Assistant News Editor

When watching the Band of the Fighting Irish during this weekend's Rutgers game, pay special attention to the saxophone players.

That is where you'll find Kurt Weiss, a senior from North Hills, Pa., who has displayed tremendous amounts of courage and tenacity in battling bone cancer. He later fulfilled his dream of marching with the Notre Dame band despite having a prosthetic right leg.

As a freshman in high school in 1989, Weiss was diagnosed with osteogenic sarcoma, or bone cancer. He was a member of his football, basketball, and swimming teams. After physical education class one day in May 1989, he noticed that his shin was aching. Displaying what he describes as the "jock mentality," he dealt with the pain for about one month until his mother finally forced him to seek medical treatment.

He sought treatment from Dr. Jack Failla, father of former Notre Dame football player and baseball standout Paul Failla, and was immediately referred to a specialist. Shortly thereafter, Weiss was diagnosed with bone cancer, and began chemotherapy treatment two days after the diagnosis.

"The cancer was very well-progressed. By the time we found it, it had spread to my lungs," Weiss said, adding that doctors informed him he'd be lucky to live five more years.

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Tensions surrounding frosh flyers ease

By CAROLINE BLUM
Saint Mary's Editor

It was only an oversight. Or at least, that's how the freshmen council at Saint Mary's and Notre Dame will remember it.

Some women noticed the signs posted in Notre Dame dorms as they walked out of church. Others saw the flyers posted in their own dorms, while still others heard about them by word of mouth.

"My father was over at P.E. visiting our cousin," Saint Mary's junior

Courtney Reagan said. "He saw the sign before I did. He ripped it down and showed it to me. I knew it was just a joke, but I'm not sure he did.

But more or when students saw the posters advertising a bonfire sponsored by the freshmen classes at Notre Dame and Saint Mary's, most of the reactions were the same. Shock.

The flyers posted in the Notre Dame female dorms, created by the Notre Dame freshman class council, read: "Hey freshmen girls: fight back. Don't let the SMC girls take all your guys. Come to the bonfire at SMC and reclaim your men."

Contrastingly, posters advertising in male dorms read: "Get some," followed by tiny lettering reading "smores, goodie, fun with the," and then large font again, "SMC students at the freshmen bonfire." Although the event initially caused some hurt feelings and animosity among Saint Mary's and Notre Dame women, freshmen class publicity chairperson Matt

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Three Years Ago...

...Game of Century left lasting memories for Class of 1997

By MATTHEW LOUGHRAN
Assistant News Editor

On Nov. 13, 1993, the Class of 1997, as freshmen, watched what the media had billed as the "Game of the Century." Despite the three years passed since that contest against Florida State University, many students say no game has come close in intensity and excitement.

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Schedule of Events

Friday, November 22

3:00 p.m. Center for the homeless Alumni Tours (C.H.A.T.)

4:45 p.m. Bald Eagles All-Pig Rally

7:00 p.m. PEP Rally

Saturday, November 23

6:00-10:00 p.m. Student Hospitality Center welcomes all Alumni and friends

10:00 a.m. Joyce Center, North Dome

8:00-10:00 a.m. PEP Rally (9-10) and Chevrolet (9-10) Performance (Joyce Center)

11:00 a.m. Joyce Center, North Dome

10:00 a.m. Student Hospitality Center

Joyce Center, North Dome

10:30-11:30 a.m. Clue Club - Notre Dame in Review

Joyce Center, North Dome

11:30-1:30 p.m. Alum Reunion (9-10)

12:30-2:30 p.m. Notre Dame Bookstore

Sunday, November 24

11 a.m. Men's Basketball vs. Wisconsin (2nd round NCAA)

1 p.m. Women's Soccer vs. Wisconsin (2nd round NCAA)

4:30 p.m. Women's Basketball vs. Marquette
A lasting impression

Don't get me wrong, I'm not a doctor. (Okay, MelvaneWater). I'm an English major; I have no clinical experience in this sort of employment.) However, I do think that I can safely assert that a large majority of the senior class is suffering from a common disease: lastitis.

Lastitis is tragic and debilitating, most often marked by an uncontrollable desire to turn one's friends and emit a pathetic wail to mark the passing of each "last" on the express path toward May 17. Allow me to elaborate. As we all know, tomorrow marks probably the most significant "last" in our college careers: the last Notre Dame Stadium for the very last time as undergrads. Lastitis, being excruciatingly contagious, should run rampant from the 30 to the 50 yard line as we realize that one of our most beloved collegiate rituals is slipping away as each neon orange second ticks off the clock.

Take caution. Once the reality sets in, lastitis will take control of your life. Soon you'll find yourself sniffling as you raise your arms at the third quarter clock turns to 15:00. Feel the same uneasiness about your future as Lou does? Then make this tissues. I'm not sharing.

"Backer" followed the last pre-finals prayer at the old stadium. Need I want to prolong the lastitis pain, you can always trek out to Southern California or the last stadium hot dog in the last game in the last weeks. Lastitis, being excruciatingly contagious, should run rampant from the 30 to the 50 yard line as we realize that the senior class as a whole could be affected. Your last chance to get pneumonia or other flu outbreaks during this period.

Outbreaks have occurred in Alaska, California, Colorado, Illinois, Iowa, Kentucky, Maryland, Missouri, New York, Ohio, North Carolina, Texas, Washington state and Wisconsin.

The CDC's latest national health indicators show that flu activity remains low across the country, with the flu vaccine's protective effect still high.

This flu season, the CDC recommends flu vaccines for everyone 6 months of age and older, as well as high-risk groups such as pregnant women, people with certain chronic conditions, and caregivers for young children.

The flu is a highly contagious virus that can cause mild to severe illness, with severe cases leading to hospitalization and even death. The flu vaccine is the best way to prevent flu and its complications.

The flu vaccine is available in various forms, including live-attenuated influenza vaccine (LAIV) and inactivated influenza vaccine (IIV). LAIV is given by nasal spray, while IIV is typically given as an injection.

Taking the flu vaccine is especially important for people at high risk for flu complications, including those with certain medical conditions, pregnant women, and people over the age of 65.

The flu vaccine can also prevent other illnesses, such as respiratory infections, which are caused by the same types of viruses that cause the flu.

In 2018, the flu vaccine was recommended for all ages 6 months and older, and the CDC estimates that about 61% of people aged 6 months and older received the flu vaccine during the 2018-2019 flu season.

The flu vaccine is currently recommended for all ages 6 months and older, and the CDC estimates that about 60% of people aged 6 months and older received the flu vaccine during the 2019-2020 flu season.

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Multi-purpose ID card still in planning stages

By HEATHER COCKS
American News Editor

Notre Dame may radically change its ID card system in future semesters.

Though nothing concrete has been established, a special committee has undertaken the specific task of devising an "all-campus card," a concept which could open up numerous possibilities for Notre Dame students.

The ultimate goal is to develop a card which serves not just as a student ID, but as a debit, meal card, and a debit card of sorts.

"Nothing is clear yet," Dave Prentkowski, director of Food Services, said. "A lot of it depends on finding a company that provides a system which is integratable with the existing campus system."

Committee member and assistant registrar Pam Johnson said, "Right now, we're sifting through proposals from various companies, but we haven't found the perfect one.

Prentkowski said that, to an as-yet undetermined degree, the Hudette would begin accepting the revamped ID cards, using a special account system. Arguably the most relevant change for students, it would allow them to buy snacks at the convenience store or food from the fast-food bars.

"Basically, we want to increase the flexibility of the entire meal plan," he said. "Feedback indicates that people want the option of using their cards at other times, not just the three standard meal times."

Prentkowski stressed his desire to make the dining halls as easy and accessible as The Hudette, citing the addition of "Grab-n-Go" as a successful step in that direction. "People can eat from the dining halls during the "off hours" if they can't make it there at the usual time," he said.

His biggest concern was the limited seating capacity of LaFortune. With the influx of cooperative weather, "the pressure of the entire meal plan," he said. "It's just not designed for the volume of people."
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Wohlberg’s public apology in the Nov. 20 issue of The Observer raised the situation.

In the apologp, Wohlberg stated, “We thought we had designed a humorous and attention-grabbing flyer design that would create interest in the bonfire... We not only failed... at this attempt, but potentially created an intimidating environment while setting back gender relations at Notre Dame.”

The administration and student body at Saint Mary’s have accepted this apology, and view Wohlberg’s gesture as whole-hearted and sincere.

“I think that the article published in The Observer cleared up any malice caused by the situation,” director of student activities at Saint Mary’s Georganna Rosenbush said. “The students themselves took the initiative to amend the situation, not me.

The article displayed a great apology and was sincere. I think that it was a big step in improving relations between freshmen, which will prove to better relations as seniors.”

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In defense of the office, Rosenbush explained, “The office gets calls all the time. I’m sure they do their best to monitor every poster that comes in, but it’s difficult.”

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“The right decision will be made because I have the utmost confidence in the people making the decision,” Davie stated. “Fans shouldn’t worry about the timing. The bottom line is that they [University officials] make the right decision.”

If Davie is, in fact, the decision, his current players will be satisfied.

“I have a lot of respect for Coach Davis,” senior linebacker Bert Berry said. “He will definitely make a great coach because he has a great working relationship with the people who play for him.”

Berry thinks he’ll also have a great relationship with the people he works for.

“He will make a great representative of the University,” Berry said. “He may not have the quick jokes like Coach Holtz but he is morally upstanding. His track record speaks for itself.

That record included a role as Holtz’s defensive coordinator since 1994 and a similar stint before that at Texas A&M.

“He has coached under some great coaches and has good experience,” Berry added.

Davie stated, “We failed... at this attempt, but didn’t worry about the environment... We hope that the people... understand that we had a mistake.”

“I have... squarely on myself... the situation,” Davie thought. “We had a great relationship with the people... we have... a lot of respect for Coach Holtz... but he is morally upstanding. His track record speaks for itself.

Berry said, “I don’t think that it will have a negative impact on our recruiting efforts. We’ve been fortunate enough to have a lot of respect for Coach Holtz... and we have a lot of respect for Coach Davie.”

These students are satisfied.

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ND expands licensing to new item: Ice cream

By BILL UNIOWSKI
News Writer

In addition to sweatshirts, T-shirts, hats and jackets, add officially licensed Notre Dame ice cream to your bookstore shopping list.

Ice cream?
Bonnie Doon Ice Cream, headquartered in Elkhart, has released four new Notre Dame ice cream flavors that are available in collectable plastic containers. Golden Dome Vanilla, Crunch, Chocolate Chip and Leprechaun Lemon Cheesecake are available in pint containers at the Huddle and the bookstore for $2.99.

"When we bought the company, I was observing how many different and unusual flavors of ice cream the companies were coming out with," said President John Cohoat, a 1976 Notre Dame graduate. "I thought it would be neat to try Notre Dame ice cream."

In order to become an officially licensed product of the University, Bonnie Doon had to go through committees that approved the concepts. Following the initial committees, the company had to submit flavors and packaging, as well as pass strict quality standards. The product has experienced moderate success thus far.

"It sold really well, then fell off a little after a couple of losses," Cohoat said, alluding to the Ohio State and Air Force football losses. "It does better at different times."...

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ND athletes reach out to community youths

By ANNE HOSINSKI

This week, the students of North Side Elementary School in Mishawaka were treated with a few guest speakers — Notre Dame student athletes. The athletes volunteered their time to read stories to students in kindergarten through sixth grade, and speak about what it means to be a student athlete at Notre Dame.

The North Side School Read Week program ran this week in conjunction with National Read Week in schools throughout the country. Sponsored by the Athletic Department's Life Skills program, approximately 40 student athletes and coaches got a chance to make a difference in the lives of the children at North Side. The Life Skills program helps students develop a balance between academics, athletics and community service.

According to Judy Harper, an administrator at North Side, the students were delighted with the athletes. "The children got so excited to meet the athletes," says Harper, "that they went crazy with autographs." Harper also noted that many of the kindergartners got a treat when members of the ice hockey team stayed for recess and "had a good time playing on the monkey bars" with the children.

Frances Shavers, director of the Life Skills program, stressed that the athletes did more than just read to the students. They gave them insight on the entire college experience, not only athletics. They also spoke about the importance of reading, studying, and the benefits of staying in school. According to Shavers, it is only one of the few programs through the Life Skills program that touches the lives of children in the Michiana area.

Carla Fornelos, a member of the Women's Lacrosse team, commented that the entire experience was a great time and that she would love to do it again. Fornelos read to sixth graders, and then gave them a lesson on the sport of Lacrosse, including drawing a diagram of the sport on the chalkboard.

Christy Holmberg, a varsity swimmer, remarked that the entire experience was a great time and that she would love to do it again. Holmberg read to fourth and fifth graders that she spoke to were especially responsive to her message. "The girls in particular," remarked Holmberg, "were responsive to the fact that I was a female athlete. It gave them more to relate to."
0'Laughlin to host choir festival
Special to The Observer

The Saint Mary's College Women's Choir will host the 12th Annual High School Women's Choir Festival today, in the O'Laughlin Auditorium of the Merwas Center for the Arts. Choirs from 20 high schools will participate.

Each participating choir will perform three to four pieces. Lunch will be provided for all the participants by the Saint Mary's College department of music.

Also included in the day's events are a campus tour and a performance by Saint Mary's College Women's Choir.

For further information on participation or observation, please contact Dr. Nancy Menk, chair of the department of music. Saint Mary's College at (219) 384-6632.

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Olmos shares struggles and success

By BERNADETTE PAMPUCI

Edward James Olmos, shown here with the likeness of the owner of El Taco Tipico, offered a hopeful outlook for the future of the Latino community during his recent trip to South Bend. He visited El Taco Tipico to visit with local Hispanic leaders.

Olmos said that he was surprised to find that the community was not as affected by recent attacks on Hispanics in the United States.

"I was impressed to find that the community is not as affected by recent attacks on Hispanics in the United States," Olmos said. "I was also pleased to find that the community is working together to address the problems that they face.

While visiting El Taco Tipico, Olmos met with the owner, who told him about the challenges that they face as a Hispanic-owned business in the United States.

"The owner told me about the challenges that they face as a Hispanic-owned business in the United States," Olmos said. "I was impressed to find that they are working together to address these problems.

Olmos also met with members of the community who are involved in different organizations that are working to address the problems that they face.

"I had the opportunity to meet with other members of the community who are involved in different organizations that are working to address the problems that they face," Olmos said. "I was impressed to find that they are working together to address these problems.

Olmos ended his visit by saying that he was hopeful for the future of the Latino community.

"I was hopeful for the future of the Latino community," Olmos said. "I think that the community is working together to address the problems that they face and I am confident that they will continue to do so in the future.

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"It was very trying emotion­ally, spiritually, and physically," he said of the initial stages of his fight with the cancer. "But, my family is wonderful and helped a lot.

Weiss went through chemotherapy for over a year, but the bone cancer had left his right leg severely damaged and it required drastic medical attention. In 1989, Weiss underwent his first operation, a procedure called an allograft, to repair damage to his right leg.

"We tried like hell to make it work," said Weiss, referring to his ability to undergo the surgical procedures. By the time treatment ran its course, Weiss had undergone nine operations, the last of which was the amputation of his leg. Doctors inserted metal plates and screws to strengthen the leg in some of the operations.

Weiss had given serious thought to attending Notre Dame since long before his battle with cancer. His older sister, Gretchen, is a 1988 graduate and a former member of the band as a Notre Dame student, but his right leg was amputated, he left school November 1 to go home and have more surgery and rehabilitation.

Weiss returned in the fall of 1993 and remained at Notre Dame for the rest of that academic year. Weiss spent most of the summer of 1994 undergoing surgical procedures and rehabilitation.

In 1994, Weiss had his first opportunity to fulfill his dream of actually marching with the band as a Notre Dame student, during the Navy game. Weiss marched in the following two games, including the USC game and the Fiesta Bowl game against Colorado.

Weiss returned for the 1995 season consuming anti-biotics to fight the infections in his right leg. Despite the difficulty and pain, Weiss marched with the band the entire football season. "I wanted to fulfill my duties as the president of the University Band, so I decided to march that year and put off more surgery," said Weiss.

The Alumni Hall resident was informed during the summer of 1995 that there was far too much damage to the leg and it required amputation. "The doctors told me that if I don't get it amputated, I could be in danger," Weiss said. "Until I had no other options, I wanted to keep the leg." Ironically, Weiss marched in the Orange Bowl in 1996, the same place where he fulfilled his wish as a sophomore in high school. Following the game, Weiss went home and had surgery on Jan. 16 before the Make-A­Difference Weekend and underwent amputation of the leg, and took off all of his therapists from the Harnaveille Rehabilitation Center.

"I went through a ridiculous amount of rehabilitation," said Weiss, describing the adjust­ment and rehabilitation period at the Harnaveille Rehabilitation Center.

Weiss has undergone nine surgeries, and hopes to attend medical school at Johns Hopkins, Rochester, or Pittsburgh next year.
A new, student-run course being offered at Saint Mary's next semester is causing a lot of excitement. "Sister Madeleva Wolff, CSC: Catalyst for Contemporary Women's Issues," in the first class in Saint Mary's history to be initiated and led solely by students. Under the direction of Dr. Gail Mandell, the course will be taught by humanities studies majors Abby Johnson, Janet Kelley and Ashley Ratcliffe.

Madeleva was the College's president from 1934 through 1961 and was a visionary in women's education. She was responsible for making Saint Mary's one of the first residential institutions to be racially integrated. Also, at a time when only priests could receive a graduate degree in theology, she initiated a graduate theology program for women at Saint Mary's. Madeleva not only challenged the integrity of the institution, but also changed the physical shape of the college. "She was responsible for the creation of the gardens and a great supporter of the building of Stares," added Kelley. Inspired by a lecture given by Mandell on Madeleva's life, Johnson, Kelley and Ratcliffe began discussing the possibilities of a class. "We found her life to be so exciting that it seemed natural that there be a class," said Kelley.

The students will have the class discuss the College in light of current women's issues and how they relate to Madeleva's vision of the College. Mandell is proud of the students' work: "They are reclaiming her vision and interpreting it for a later generation, and by being visionaries themselves, they are continuing the tradition." Johnson, Kelley, Ratcliffe and Mandell all feel that it is important that the students of Saint Mary's take this course. "For most people she (Madeleva) is just a building," said Mandell referring to the classroom building that bears Madeleva's name, "and that is sad." What they hope is that by taking this course, students will realize the rich history from which their school stems and appreciate the environment in which they live, the education they receive and how the values expressed at the institution were shaped. "We've inherited that tradition (Madeleva's) and don't know what we've got," stated Mandell. Kelley agrees. "It is important to know where we come from in order to know where we are going. By understanding our history we can then strengthen our identity as a Catholic women's college and this will benefit everyone in the community."

The class is entirely experimental with all research being done by Johnson, Kelley and Ratcliffe as an independent study. Kelley believes that this project of Madeleva: A Biography, by Madeleva, which is in print now and will be available in soft cover and hardback in the late spring. "Mandell dreamed the class will eventually become a course for first year students which is taught by women," said Kelley. "It is important that all fields are represented in order for the course to be beneficial, we must have many voices" said Kelley. The class is a one credit course and will be held Mondays at 11 a.m. and up to three, depending on the number of students. "If you happen to miss the course, you can pick it up on the computer," said Kelley.

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Holtz departure timely, leaves huge shoes to fill

At some point in the last three years, we all said it. At some point in the last three years, we all thought about it.

It is time for Lou Holtz to retire. And yet as the reality sets in, as we crowed over our TVs Tuesday afternoon and watched the news, we said it, we could not help but feel sorrow in our hearts. It was thought to be a "sad day." And as we turn the page of the book of Notre Dame football history, we will remember Lou Holtz as a symbol of all that represents Notre Dame.

Lou Holtz has never been one for self-aggrandizement. In fact he is famous for his early-seasonings of negative sentiments of his own football teams. But the time has come for the praise to be heaped upon him.

Lou Holtz has had nothing but love and respect for Notre Dame during his years here; indeed, he has had nothing but love and respect for the University his entire life. His devotion and respect for Notre Dame, it is remembered upon him, is Napoleonville. It is just one of the many small towns where The Alliance for Catholic Education (ACE), now in its third year of service, places teachers throughout the Southern United States.

While we may not resemble the quaint place dripping in American that John Mellencamp describes in his song "Small Town." Napoleonville is a town that has already taught us about ourselves and each other, about country life, and about country life in Louisiana. From all that we have learned thus far, rather than asking "Why Napoleonville?" we ask ACE Gators find ourselves asking, "Why not?"

More than just learning about life in a small town, we have gained incredible insight about the South. I still remember when during the interview for ACE that all applicants receive, I was asked how I felt about living in the South. I quickly replied "that is the icing on the cake in terms of this service program." I was asked to draw in a Catholic school, living in a community, and earning a degree in the Bayou. My students also could have imagined. They are encouraged to view the South, to see the idiosyncrasies that characterize this region, we have found a home in Napoleonville.

Walker Percy, the famous Southern writer, once said of his hometown. "Covington (Louisiana) is in the Deep South, which is supposed to have a strong sense of place. It does, but Covington occupies a kind of inbetweenness in the South. It falls between places." So does Napoleonville, in place and in time... Equidistant from Baton Rouge and New Orleans, our town also falls between places in the lives and work of the ACE Gators.

While we find ourselves enjoying life after college in service with ACE for two years here in Napoleonville, we are still in between places in our development as teachers and as individuals. When the ACE Gators return to their four cities in four different states, this small town of 800 people will have indeed marked us with a strong sense of place. I only hope the next time I am asked "Why Napoleonville?" I can begin to give a sufficient answer.

Ann Schricker is a 1996 Notre Dame graduate currently participating in the The Alliance for Catholic Education.
Dear Coach Holtz:

During the past eleven years the names of Notre Dame and Lou Holtz have become synonymous with each other. Over the past eleven years you have grown with the University, and the University has grown with you. As you have stated, you have enjoyed your time here, and that is something all of us who say that the University has enjoyed your stay.

Coach Holtz, I have grown up over the past eleven years, becoming not only a Notre Dame fan, but also a Lou Holtz fan. Lou Holtz is a class act, a very dedicated man, who is strong in his faith, does not answer, his lips are pale and still, for you the bleeding drops of red,
Gearing up for

Drum Majors

By JACkIE MARTINEZ

It's just minutes before game time. Ahead lies a blurred sheet of blue and gold spots on the field. A nervous feeling washes over the band members as the crowd begins to surge closer, creating a palpable energy that crackles in the air. The drum majors take their positions at the front of the bleachers, ready to lead the band into battle.

However after this year, Wojcikiewicz says he'll never forget "the feeling of going out there and being the first one on all of that field ahead and the crowd yelling." Renando Dell'Osso, also an Assistant Drum Major, shares Wojcikiewicz's excitement in holding such an esteemed position in the band's overall makeup. Dell'Osso's responsibilities include taking the latest dance moves and incorporating them into a halftime show that keeps the fans coming back for more.

Dell'Osso points out, "A lot of times, the students don't get to give much input (on the band's performance) except for with the dance." As Assistant Drum Majors, Wojcikiewicz and Dell'Osso conduct for those band members that cannot see the Head Drum Major, David Mullen.

Mullen's role as Head Drum Major requires him to "run everything" in the words of Wojcikiewicz. He sets the tempo, starts and stops the band, and runs the pop rallies and traditional pre-game performance on the steps of the Administration Building before the band sets out for the stadium with throngs of Notre Dame fans on its heels. So the next time you gaze upon the field and find yourself wondering about the person in the tall white hats with maces in their hands upon which every band member's eyes are fixed, they are the true and proud. They are the Band of the Fighting Irish drum majors.

Concessions

By LESLIE FIELD

As this historical season-ending home game nears, it's time to pay tribute to the people behind the great eats surrounding the stands. They are there at 5 a.m. preparing for the 99,000 fans who will, undoubtedly, get the half-time munchies.

Notre Dame Stadium sells 60,000 of their best-selling food item, the illus­trious hot dog, per game. That's 1.01 hot dogs per hungry fan. And Oscar Meyer's claim to fame is only the be­ginning of Notre Dame Stadium's con­cession mania. After all, what is a hot dog without a Coke to wash it down?

According to Fred Kraus, Stadium Operations Concession Manager, not much. "What really gets mind-boggling is the amount of liquids we go through, a million ounces per game," he said. Can't beat the feeling.

And for those fans who must have their traditional gameday popcorn, the stadium addition will include a room dedicated to, you guessed it, popcorn, popcorn and more popcorn. "We sell as much popcorn as we can make," Kraus said. This addition will be a great help in keeping the popcorn coming to all of the twenty one indoor concession stands, seven outdoor concession trailers and the portable unit as well. Hot pretzels will also grace the stadium next year. (Always good with mus­­tard.)

And on hot days, the Ben and Jerry's peace pops are a big seller. The cookie dough ice cream is nearly impossible to keep in stock. This year, the expected ice cream sales neared $60,000. Unfortunately, but chocolate replaced the Lemon Chills and English Toffee Crunch, as the warm weather was cut short by an unexpected cold snap. It is brought in at $14,000, which still seems like solid earnings to most people. With millions of ounces being dis­pensed and thousands of dogs being doted over, there has to be an efficient and brave staff of workers. There are 400 volunteers and seventy five paid workers. The volunteers are given a percentage of the total amount of money earned from the game at which they worked. They, in turn, take that money back in the organization they represent. "If they have a tax-exempt organization they can make around thirteen hundred dollars in a day," Kraus commented. And 200,000 is given back from food sale profit at the end of each football season. "We have a bigger per capita than anyone else in this region. The only time any other school comes close is during bowl games when cold beverages are the biggest sellers. We are the leader, thanks to our great fans," Kraus said.

The Leprechaun

By MARY BETH ELLIS

Take a look at him sitting in a dorm room in the middle of a 'nother Dormer. Swishshirt. Backpack. Thinking not loud about what he give him. Take a look at him standing in the north end zone of Notre Dame afternoon, and he tends to stand out somewhat. The green pants. F Yelling 'Go Irish go!" in time to the beats of the drum corps. AND the heard. The head is a dead giveaway.

But Ryan Lee doesn't mind having a face trademarked by the Unh being pulled Leprechaun mascot duty for two years now—first as a cer games now, as the Green One himself every Saturday.

So how does a kid from Spokane, WA, who until last ye rise to the most glamorous job on campus? Peer pressure of The Observer and putting them on my door," he says. and liked what I heard. I never thought I'd make it, but he's making that thrilling ninety-yard dash down the swelling mass of the most famous gold helmets in the world. The symbol of the shamrocked fever surrounding the Notre Dame nationalism has dwindled somewhat. "For its spirit is crazy," says Gee, who, thanks to read guru fans to those from colleges across the 4 paint their faces or even cheer harder. And Notre Dame the football team and the Touring the campus at first as an overwhelmed freshman, did Gee screaming fans at his cheering at weekend when I'm out there I'm I that's all band clapping a practices two hours a day with the tremendous amount of work and far outweigh it all," he says. And those rewards, Gee has a South Bend snowfall in the picture they want. "I'm just a Notre Dame fan more special, I'll do with the game," he grim's for a second.

MARY BETH ELLIS

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Heavy Hitter

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No tributes, just memories

This is not a eulogy. Only a few memories. One man’s images. My images will only be memories in three short games. As Lou Holtz coaches his final game this Saturday at Notre Dame, the tributes to him will be numerous.

This is not a tribute. Just my thoughts. Take them for what they are worth and move on. That’s what everyone did at Tuesday’s farwell powwow. Lou offered his thoughts and the people took them for what they’re worth.


Normal resumption of the Notre Dame life cycle cannot proceed that smoothly, however. As suddenly as Holtz walked out the door and certainly not as sudden as athletic director Michael Wadsworth closed it behind him.

Before somebody new walks in that door, it’s time to remember the lame duck who is exiting.

Lou Holtz is a man. A man made famous by his prominent occupation. A man who wears many games than he lost. A man whose departure was as mysterious as his team’s play this season.

These are my memories.

About a week ago, a small handful of people gathered in Bellartalo Hall for a session about the Alliance for Catholic Education (ACE) program. The keynote speaker did not directly discuss the program, but broader issues.

Issues such as the importance of teaching. Why discipline is necessary in creating a learning atmosphere. The need to build a team in the classroom.

That speaker was Lou Holtz. Doing what he does best; motivating people to achieve some end. There was no media around. No glaring lights from the television cameras. The only questions put to Holtz this night regarded his thoughts on the necessity to educate.

A person, ignorant of Holtz’s legendary status in the public eye, could have walked in the auditorium and listened to an excellent speech about how teaching can be a rewarding profession. Without knowing the man on stage was the Notre Dame head football coach, all you could have inferred was that this man was speaking from the heart.

During Junior Parents Weekend last year, Holtz also spoke from the heart. He talked about what families mean to him and offered insights on family life that brought both laughter and tears. Holtz provided a perspective on the Notre Dame family, leaving parents trusting their decision to have sent their children to live under the Golden Dome.

Holtz may have never understood some of the memories that mattered. Things that cannot be overshadowed by a coaching record or a bad call on the field.

All of Holtz’s calls off the field were not stellar either, but who’s ever are. My memories are of him making as much of a difference off the field as on it.

To reiterate, these are my memories. Some center on more in-depth recollections. Any one else’s. Just like Holtz, they will eventually fade to black.

I wanted to share them before they leave my head.

And before Lou Holtz leaves Notre Dame as coach of one of the most storied college football programs in the country. Of course, that’s not why I’ll remember him.

As a great speaker and a tremendous motivator, Irish head coach Lou Holtz is more than one of the most successful coaches in college football history.

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**FIGHTING IRISH**

**SCARLET KNIGHTS**

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 Tight and Rob Seeger leads the Scarlet Knights with three touchdowns.
Irish rushing attack
vs. Rutgers defensive line

With three consecutive games of over 300 yards rushing, the Notre Dame offensive attack is playing its best football of the season. Autry Denston needs just 97 yards to reach the 1000 yard plateau for the first time. Backup Randy Kinder is out with a separated shoulder, but Robert Farmer has been on a roll, running for a career-high 146 yards in the win over Pittsburgh. Fullback Jamie Spencer responded well in his first career start last week.

The key to success for the Scarlet Knights will rest on their ability to stop the run. Defensive tackle Rashod Swinger has been outstanding for Rutgers, leading all Big East linemen in tackles. Chris Cohula is undersized but has notched four sacks this season. The group will have to play the game of their lives to have any chance of staying with the Irish on Saturday.
Beyond the shadows

Out of the spotlight, Irish linebacker Kinnon Tatum has emerged as a star

By MIKE DAY
Assistant Sports Editor

Way out in the darkness, in an abyss beyond the shadows, lurks a truly dangerous specimen.

Without a hint of his presence, he quietly waits for his next victim. And when the moment arrives, he strikes in the blink of an eye, delivering a jarring, ear-splitting, unsuspecting blow.

And with that, he quickly slips back into the shadows.

Linebacker Kinnon Tatum is not the most recognizable name on the Notre Dame defense. In fact, of the four starting linebackers, he is often lost in the shuffle, taking a back seat to the bigger names and the higher profiles.

Like Lyon Cobbins, Bert Berry, and Kory Minor are mentioned with one of Tatum's bone-crushing tackles.

But it seems that no matter how many tackles he records or how many players he sends sprawling to the sidelines, Tatum always manages to hide in the shadows of the more heralded Cobbins, Berry, and Minor.

"It's hard for me to explain," said defensive coordinator Bob Davie. "Cobbins has had the opportunity to get his hands on a lot of balls, so his name always comes up. Bert Berry and Kory Minor play the rush linebacker position where they can get a lot of sacks. And big hits seem to attract attention."

"But I'll say one thing. Since I've been here, I don't think a player on this team has improved more than Kinnon Tatum."

While his fellow members of the linebacker quartet, nicknamed "The Headbangers," grab all the headlines, Tatum is perfectly content with plugging along and quietly taking care of business.

"That kind of stuff really doesn't matter to me," said Tatum. "My job is to go out and compete to the best of my ability. I know the rest will just take care of itself."

Even though the fans and media may lose sight of what Tatum has accomplished in two years as a starter, his teammates and coaches are first in line to acknowledge what the senior linebacker means to the Irish defense.

"He is the glue of the defense," said Minor. "He makes it all go. Kinnon never misses an assignment unit is always in the right place at the right time. Without him, this defense would not be what it is."

"Kinnon Tatum is absolutely dynamic," said Cobbins. "His tenacity and intensity in every game and practice is what makes him a great linebacker...And nobody hits like Kinnon Tatum."

Kinnon Tatum doesn't just tackle; he makes a impact. Any running back or receiver who plans on traveling Tatum's way is forced to think twice about it. In two years as a starter, the six-foot, 224-pound mass of muscle has developed a knack of making the big hit.

I've just tried to take advantage of them," said Tatum. "In our style of defense, the middle linebackers have to make plays, so that's what Lyron and myself have tried to do."

Playing in the shadows is nothing new to Tatum. As a defensive back out of Fayetteville, North Carolina, Tatum followed in the footsteps of current NFL standouts Donnell Woolford of the Chicago Bears and Brad Edwards of the Washington Redskins.

There's always been someone ahead of me who sort of set the standard for me to reach," said Tatum. "I've never tried to be anyone else. I just want to be myself and reach the goals that I set out to accomplish."

Recruited as a safety, Tatum was switched to linebacker just after he arrived at Notre Dame. The switch paid immediate dividends for the Irish as Tatum started four games as a freshman when starter Jeremy Sample went down with an injury.

Following a successful freshman year, Tatum was forced to take a smaller role in 1994 with the return of Sample. Despite the setback, Tatum did not give up and even benefited from the tutelage of Sample and fellow inside linebacker Justin Gohen.

"I had a lot of playing time for a freshman, so it was a great frustrating sophomore year. I learned a lot though, and I never gave up. I think that the experience benefited me in the long run."

As starters over the last two years, "The Headbangers" have formed a close-knit group, feeding off each other's success. And by hanging the most heads on the football field, "The Hitter" does not take a back seat to anyone.

"I can't even begin to describe how much he means to this defense," said Davie. "To be successful, we need Kinnon Tatum to have a big game. He disrupts a lot of things that the other offense is trying to do, and we can capitalize on that."

"He is a great player, but he is a fantastic person too," said Berry. "He's kind of a jokester, and he helps keep the guys loose. And I say this from deep down. I am a better person from knowing Kinnon Tatum."

As he prepares for his final home game this Saturday against Rutgers, Tatum realizes that it will be a moment he remembers for the rest of his life.

"It will be an emotional time for me and the rest of the seniors," said Tatum. "It's our last home game and the last home game for Coach Holtz. We want to go out giving it our best."

And with that, he slips back into the shadows again.
Wednesday afternoon, and he's like any other junior in the football team.

The alarm clock flashes 6:29 a.m. just one more minute of sleep. On football weekends, the days start early for the student managers at the University of Notre Dame. The student managers are like the dark horse of Notre Dame fan at all about: volunteer their lives and time for the pure love of football.

"I wanted to be part of Notre Dame athletics," explains senior head manager Kevin Haggard, who spends up to seventy hours with the football team. As early as the days begin on Football Saturdays, those interested in joining in this group, must begin equally as early. The process begins in the spring of freshman year. Freshman managers work the spring practices and learn exactly what it takes to be a student manager. They learn quickly that the organization eats up a great deal of time which does not leave any time to goof around.

Sophomore year is even more tumultuous for this group of students, but this is also when the perks begin. Sophomore managers are invited to work two home football games a year. Their responsibilities become more involved as well. They work other sports: tapping practices, shagging balls, writing down stats, and working closely with other coaches.

Sophomores also participate in the heralded activity of painting and buffing the legendary golden helmets of the Fighting Irish. This activity, which is just one event in a collective group called "game prep," begins early Friday afternoon and can continue well into the night. The sophomore managers also set up the locker room the night before a home game.

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Student Managers
By JOEY CRAWFORD
Accent Copy Editor

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By LESLIE FIELD
Accent Copy Editor

What a game do when they come for you? Accent spoke with Rick Rakow, director of security and police, and got the answer to this and other pressing game day questions that you always wanted to ask, but couldn't.

At 5 a.m. on Saturday, security begins barricading the fields and lots in effort to get ready for the masses of people as enter Joyce Stued, Red West, the football field and the infamous RV land. They are all prepped for an onslaught of beer cans, dips and fried chicken.

By 7 a.m. everything is in place.

The twenty junior student managers go to the informational meeting. Officer Rakow commented. "The vast majority of people who come in are in pretty good shape. Ushers have the discretion not to let people in."

Consequently, the stadium is a test of endurance for this group of students, but this is also when the perks begin.

With all of these activities, how do they find time to study? Haggard explains, "The organization is the key. Sometimes it may seem impossible, but it can be done. Joe Frericks, a sophomore manager, maintains, "If you work hard and have fun and basically enjoy what you are doing, it can be very rewarding. It makes you feel like an integral part of the University."

And what are those rewards? With all of the time they spend together, the managers become very close. "The friendships you make with the other managers is one of the great rewards of the job," explains junior Christy Grady. "They'll do anything for you. We're really close.

Being a member of the student manager organization is rigorous indeed, but the experience can be golden. They are given the opportunity to do things that other people would pay to do.
LANO LINCOLN, Neb. Nebraska linebacker Terrell Farley allegedly hit two parked cars and tried to run away before being arrested for driving under the influence early the next day for the second time this year on suspicion of drunken driving.

Farley was suspended from the University of Nebraska football program the week before he was found guilty, coach Tom Osborne said in a written statement. I le said Farley also was suspended for 60 days for failing to provide a breath sample to the police.

Police chief Tom Casady said the 21-year-old senior was clocked driving 61 mph in a 35 mph zone shortly before mid-night Wednesday.

One of college football's top defensive players, Farley was booked about 11:15 a.m. on suspicion of drunken driving, re- questing to take a sobriety test. He had three drunk driving levels, speeding, driving with a suspended license, leaving the scene of a property damage accident and resisting arrest.

He was released from jail about an hour later after posting $250 in bail, including $100 in cash he was provided. He is scheduled to be arraigned Dec. 9 in Lancaster County Court.

Police reports say Farley's car was found at the end of 135 feet through a muddy field area near a road and two parked vehicles. Each car had an esti- mated $1,000 damage.

Casady said the 21-year-old senior did not struggle with police but tried to run away before he was arrested.

Farley pleaded guilty last month to a drunken driving charge and was suspended from the Cornhuskers' first two games. He was sentenced Oct. 25 to one year of probation and a $200 fine for first-offense drunken driving. His license also was suspended for 60 days for failing to provide a breath sample to the police.

"Terrell had been receiving counseling and had just got his first for alcohol abuse and had been noti- fied that any further problems in this area would result in a dis- tral from the team," Osborne said. "Even though he no longer play football here at Nebraska, we feel he was supporting him academically and personally.

The player had been arrested Aug. 30 near the campus. Police said his blood-alcohol level was 0.17 percent.

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Saint Mary's Basketball

Belles under new leadership

By COURTNEY REAGEN

To follow in the footsteps of a legend such as former basketball coach Marvin Wood, is not an easy task. However, Saint Mary's new head basketball coach, David Hoeder, is striving hard to create his own footsteps. As of this moment, Hoeder has Saint Mary's basketball team hard at work preparing for the opening of their season. The Belles tip off this year's work under the supervision of their new coach in a tournament hosted by Kalamazoo College.

Saint Mary's ended last season with a record of 7-15, but that does not keep Hoeder from having a positive and enthusiastic attitude towards his team.

He stressed that the Belles strengths are, "perimeter shooting, quickness, hustle and desire" and will serve as a threat to any opposing teams.

With the strong talent Saint Mary's possesses on their team they are bound to dominate. Coach Hoeder explained that he expects key players to闪光. Nikes is a guard and will be a key playing forward who shines in the game.

Saint Mary's will count on a blend of youth and experience for success.

January

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Another valued Belle is the sole senior on the team, Marianne Banko. Banko is a returning starter; however, she is presently battling a day to day foot injury.

According to Hoeder the rest of the starting lineup will consist of Nicole Giffin, and Brenda Hoban, 5'8" guard/forward.

The Belles will, unfortunately, be missing Charlotte Albrecht, a 6'0" forward/center from Aberdeen, SD due to an ankle injury that will keep her out until January. When Nicole Giffin was asked about having a new head coach she responded positively.

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Saint Mary's will travel to Kalamazoo Friday where they will first battle Alma College at 8:00 p.m.

On Saturday the Belles will then face the Kalamazoo Hornets. Hoeder stated that, "both teams will pose as a real challenge for us."

Giffin agrees and remarked that playing Alma will let Saint Mary's know where they stand. "They will be a tough test and if we execute then we will give them a run for their money." Giffin's last words concerning both Alma and Kalamazoo—"We're ready!"

Brenda Hoban is excited for the Belles freshmen, Nancy Mc Gillis who is abroad until

Saint Mary's will count on a blend of youth and experience for success.

Swimmers looking to earn individual honors

By DEBRA DIEMER

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Interhall championship to be end of several eras

By ADRIAN WIKERSHON
Sports Writer

An emotion-filled weekend is on tap at Notre Dame Stadium. Two eras will be coming to an end. Of course there is the obvious one, but this Sunday will mark Flanner Hall’s last football game. All that stands between Flanner and the perfect ending is the Off-Campus Crime.

Quarterbacks: Even

The finals will pit two of the most impressive quarterbacks in the league. The Crime’s Scott Lupo and the Cock’s Mike Daigler are both dangerous runners and passers. Lupo has been successful in eluding the pass rush with impressive scrambling ability.

In fact, in last Sunday’s game against Sorin, Lupo had most of the Crime’s rushing yardage. Daigler, while an impressive scrambler in his own right, is the more accomplished passer with an arm that has allowed him to throw in tight coverage situations.

Whoever plays the most up to his abilities will determine the tempo of the game.

Running Backs: Even

Running backs will be another key matchup in determining a champion this Sunday. Both teams have run over their opponents in the course of the playoffs. Flanner’s Drew Klosterman and Nick Homan will anchor a running game that dismantled the tough Zahn defensive line, and broke through Fisher’s defense.

Off-Campus has been a very big running game that dismantled Lupo and the Cock’s Mike Daigler in a game earlier this season. The running corps that puts up big yardage early will definitely have an advantage late in the game.

Receivers: Edge Flanner

This is an area where Flanner clearly dominates Off-Campus. The Gamecocks’ receiving corps has been vital to Flanner’s postseason success.

The Crime’s receivers have shown promise in key game situations, but the Off-Campus defensive plan has limited the action they have been involved in. If Flanner can outmaneuver the Crime’s secondary, it could be a Cock’s surprise.

Offensive Line: Edge Flanner

This has been a category won through experience, not just talent. On the surface, both teams have impressive offensive lines. However, Flanner has routinely put down the best defenses in the league in the postseason.

The Gamecocks line has stepped up to the challenge and forced the Cock’s defensive line that silenced the Alumni running game.

Defensive Line: Edge Off-Campus

The Crime’s defensive line has been impressive throughout the season, only cracking once in the team’s loss to Morrissey. This is the line that had shut down the Flanner running game earlier in the season. If Off-Campus can do the same, the improved Flanner running game will be in deep trouble.

Linebackers: Edge Flanner

The Cock’s running corps of Flanner is the best in the league. Period. Brett Gally, Robert Miskawa, and Steve Walter have limited most of the offensive output by normally productive opponents. They will be in charge of preventing most of the Crime’s most significant offensive gains in this game. They will be effective. Off-Campus may have a tough time putting points on the board.

Secondary: Edge Off-Campus

Again, it is experience that points the way to the better defensive backfield. Off-Campus did a remarkable job in eliminating the dangerous Sorin passing game in the semifinals.

They will face a similar passing style this weekend as Flanner signal caller, Daigler can effectively throw in heavy traffic. If the Off-Campus backfield can remain alert, they can shut down a good portion of the Flanner offense.

Special Teams: Edge Flanner

While not as important to the interhall game as in other football leagues, special teams could be an important aspect this Sunday. Flanner’s unit has consistently outpointed and out-kicked the Off-Campus special team unit. So in a one or two point game, it would be advantageous Flanner.

Intangibles: Even

Quite a few things are on the line this Sunday, besides this year’s interhall football championship. For Flanner it is the half’s last game before splitting into Siegfried and Knot. What better way to close out the hall’s history with a championship? This game is also the Cock’s chance to exact revenge on the Crime for an earlier loss this season. This game could also be redemption for last year’s heartbreaking championship game.

Off-Campus is playing for most of the same reasons as Flanner. Most of the Off-Campus team are members of last year’s heartbreaking championship game and also remember well the disappointment of last season.

This game could also serve as the Crime’s crowning achievement in a season they have dominated. Both teams will definitely be playing their hearts out in the last game of the original stadium.
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Setters hope to maintain domination, perfection

By JOE CAVATO
Sports Writer

When one thinks of the Notre Dame volleyball team and the Big East conference, two words come to mind: dominance and perfection.

They also hope to dominate the Big East banquet as junior Jaime Lee and freshman Mary Letters are up for conference player of the year and rookie of the year, respectively.

Lee has been a key element this year as she played setter with the injury to Carey May. Lee has been dominating at the net with her 6-4 frame. Senior captain Jenny Birker won the Big East Freshman of the Year.

Since joining the conference last season the setters are 22-0 which includes two perfect regular seasons and one tournament championship. They will be looking for their second consecutive tournament championship this weekend in Pittsburgh for the Big East tournament.

Villanovas but the host Panthers are the only teams in the conference that have managed to take games from the Irish. Thus, the Domes are clearly in class of the conference but they have yet to hit their stride as they are without services of hitter Angie Harris and blocker Jen Hous

“Tougher

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I think we’re still playing below potential,” senior hitter Jen Illeggs commented. “We have the capacity to beat them (the Big East) so it shouldn’t be a struggle if we play our game. We have a lot more talent then they do.”

“It definitely wasn’t a real competitive though the teams are getting better,” commented Brown.

“Tough job and I have a lot of confidence in Mandi,” Brown expressed. “She’s a very good passer and I think her hitting has improved since earlier in the year.”

One of the six-fronts best assets is her ability to come off the bench, prepared for action at any instant as Briggs explains.

“What I admire about her is that she can go in as a freshman a crucial moments and just play. She doesn’t get rattled and is very dependable which is kind of hard to come by in a freshman. She’s been really important this year.”

Brown echoed these sentiments saying, “It’s good to have her on the bench knowing that I can substitute her in any situation she’s very solid.”

Powell spoke about her chance to contribute. “Being a freshman I didn’t expect to get very much playing time if any at all. So, I am very excited that I am in this position even though it is because of injuries. It’s a good time for me to prove myself.”

Powell and the rest of the squad will get their chance to continue their dominance and perfection this weekend.
HOCKEY

Irish Icers seek consistency

By CHARLEY GATES
Sport Winter

A storyline for a typical Notre Dame hockey game would go something like this: in the first period, play very sluggishly and spot the opposing team a lead; in the second period, start to come around and play a little more aggressively; in the third period, realize that the game is on the line and play extremely intensely.

Sometimes this formula has worked for the Irish, as it did against Bowling Green earlier in the season. Sometimes it does not work. as it failed against Bowling Green earlier in the second period, start to Dame hockey game would go

slipping out of the Irish's hands. They are in the midst of a losing streak, having dropped five of the past six games.

"It's the mistakes that we repeatedly make," said Coach Dave Poulin. "That worries me the most. We have to stop playing in bursts. We need to dominate the game for longer stretches."

What did Poulin say to his team this week?

"Basically that he needed more out of us," stated junior captain Steve Noble. "He said that we need to dominate the game for 60 minutes and that we need to play a full game."

Consistency is indeed what this young team seeks. To accomplish this, the Irish "returned to the fundamentals this week in practice," said freshman center Ben Simon.

"We worked on our stops and starts in skating and just went over the basics. We also made a few minor, technical changes on the power play," stated Noble.

A big piece in this consistency puzzle lies in the players' mental states. "I think that a lot of it is psychological," agreed Noble. "Everyone just needs to come mentally prepared to play. We also need to be a little more aggressive out there, but again, a lot of that is mental."

"Guys need to show up to play, that's all," said Simon.

This is a critical weekend for the hockey team, with four points in the CCHA standings hanging in the balance.

"We'd obviously love to win both games," said sophomore defenseman Benoit Cotnoir, "but we'd be happy with a split."

The future looks very bright, but now they need to play consistently smart and intensely.

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Coach John MacLeod apprised: "We've gained a great deal of experience; we've learned that this team has excellent chemistry and a great chemistry each other, and that they care for each other which goes a long way in really performing like a team. If all the games, this is a team game, and the better the team plays, the more unselfish they are and the more times the ball goes to the open man. The more you help your teammate when he's in trouble, that embodies team play.

"That's what this team does," Senior center Matt Gotch, slated to start in this Sunday's season opener against Monmouth, is pleased with the change from last season to the present.

"With four seniors returning, we have a lot of people who are leaders. It's also going to help this year that our offense isn't going to have a single focus on one guy; we're going to play much more as a team," Gotch predicted.

The difference between the two seasons may be in a single position change: from Doug Gough to Admire White at point guard.

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MacLeod explained.

"We have to remember how important (the ball) is, and not just rack a 20-footer or throw an errant pass. We have a long way to go, but we're learning.

The schedule features non-conference opponents before the new year, with the exception of game at Providence in early December.

Although the talent level of the team is still below the powerhouses of the conference, the team has gotten more physical and is counting on experience to help them through.

The game against Monmouth may be an interesting contest. The squad returns four starters from a 20-10 record last year. Although Monmouth advanced to the NCAA tournament last season, earning a bid after winning the Northeast Conference, they do not feature height or aggressiveness.

"They play a zone offense, and we think we can capitalize on some holes to get our scoring going," Notre Dame must implement and adhere to a game plan, especially for their first game of the regular season, to open the schedule with a win. This is the hardest working group we've had since '91-92," MacLeod judged.

They'll need to work hard.

There's a tough road ahead of them.
Domers
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of competition,” said senior
captain Cindy Daws about this
weekend’s contest.
Both teams have matured
since their first encounter this
season. The Badgers suffered a
couple of tough losses this sea­
son. They succumbed to North
Carolina and just a couple of
weeks ago, the Badgers lost to
University of Indiana in the Big
Ten championships.
"One of the things that we
have improved on is maturity,”
said Wisconsin head coach
Dean Duerst. "We have lost
some games since we first
played them. We had a loss to
North Carolina and to the
University of Indiana. The
losses taught us that we are
human. These losses give us a
chance to go in with a great
attitude and upset them.”
Wisconsin will provide a chal­
lenge for Notre Dame, just like
they did in September. The
Badgers feel that they are ready
for the Irish, and they have
been preparing for them all
week.
"The key is to shut down the
attack,” said Duerst about his
team’s game plan. "In order to
do that we have to stop wing
play, challenge everything that
they serve into the box. It will
take a great defensive effort
from us.”
The key for the Irish will be to
maintain the style that has got­
ten them this far. "We are a lot
better at scoring goals,” said
Petrucci about the difference
in the squad now compared to
earlier in the season. "In that
game we had a lot of chances
that we did not finish. Now we
can finish them.”
"Physicalness will be a big
key,” said sophomore Shannon
Boxx about the keys to a victo­
ry. "We need to go out there
and work hard and get it done.”
In postseason play, the team
has seen the reserves take an
increased role in the offensive
and defensive games.
"We've proved that we're capa­
bile of beating the top-ranked
teams,” Gaither insisted. "Coach
McGraw just put us in the
right mind frame, but we can
still improve.”
We upset two ranked teams
this week, so we feel pretty
good about the start to our sea­
son,” MacGraw said.
Gaither and Co. will hit the
road again tomorrow when
they take on Bowling Green. in
a 1:30 tipoff.

Coach Petrucci prepares his squad for their drive to the title.

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Sunday, the second-ranked team in the country. And that page 26 facing to the Irish is an intriguing matchup is an intriguing.

Capasso.

The other big showdown took place way back on September 7, when the Irish surprised the Red Storm of St. John’s, who were ranked No. 6 at the time, by holding them scoreless for the ninety minutes of regulation play.

The Irish were still full of surprises though and ran out to a 2-1 lead in overtime. St. John’s was able to salvage the tie though, on a fluke goal with less than 10 seconds remaining.

The team knows that this weekend’s game will not be easy.

But that’s no excuse for the Irish to back down now. Just ask Capasso.

“I think it’s easy not to be satisfied (with just the Big East Championship),” explained the senior midfielder.

“It’s not going to mean all that much if we go out in the first round.”

If Capasso’s attitude is an accurate reflection of the rest of the team’s mindset heading into the big contest, then the Irish will be in it to the very end.

If they can take their “one game at a time” philosophy, and alter it just a bit, it would not be surprising to see the Blue and Gold prevail, one play at a time.

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THEIR BEST CHANCE

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MOTHER GOOSE & GRIMM

OH NO! I BROKE MAMA'S ACCORDION, WE'VE GOT TO HIDE IT!

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THE SOUND MAKES ME CRAZY, BUT I'LL TELL ANYONE IT WOULDN'T SILENCE ME.

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Irish Hoosiers looking to build on preseason Men hope to progress in conference

By DAVE TREACY
American Sports Editor

The men's basketball team is going to try something new this season, implementing a plan that may actually help them win a few more games on a rough schedule, including a stretch of 17 straight against Big East opponents.

They're going to attempt to play as a team. Players and coaches alike have emphatically expressed confidence that, unlike last year's squad, the Irish will be a more cohesive unit, working together for success. Leadership on the team should be a major bonus as four seniors return, as should a year of experience for all returnees playing against Big East competition.

The preseason began rather ominously as the Irish struggled in their first exhibition game against Northwest Basketball Camps, winning 80-78 in overtime. Australia's Junior National team did not encounter the same Irish squad six days later, and received a 105-75 beating that allowed Notre Dame to open the offensive floodgates.

"We've gained a great deal from this preseason," said Irish head coach Pat Garrity.

Pat Garrity hopes the Big East is kinder the second time around.

Women's squad jumps out of blocks in WNIT

By T. RYAN KENNEDY
Sports Writer

Before the season began, Coach Muffet McGraw promised that her team would take each game one at a time. It is a common phrase often used carelessly in today's sports lingo, but it is one which the Notre Dame women have adhered to.

After a tough 72-59 loss to the fourth-ranked Tennessee, Tuesday night, the Irish rebounded to hammer sixth-ranked North Carolina State, 64-53, on Wednesday in the opening game of the Preseason WNIT.

The 14th-ranked Irish (3-1) have already eliminated two top 11 teams in three games, doubling the number of victories over top 10 opponents in the program's history (4). Notre Dame showed its worth as they took last Sunday to open the season, and should catapult even higher if they win their next two games.

All-American Katryna Gaither has yet to slow down her torrid scoring pace, as the senior poured in a-game-high 24 points and grabbed 20 rebounds. She registered her second double-double of the season and reached the 20-point mark for the fourth straight game.

"People look for me to score and otherwise don't pass the ball," said Gaither, who, like her teammates, had just returned from the sled-day trip.

"We cannot dwell on our accidents or our mistakes. We can either learn from them or move on," Gaither said. "I wasn't the only one who dictated the outcome of this game. The Irish left the Wolfpack in shell-shock with their low shooting display of the year (36.5 percent), including a dazzling 7-fer later in the contest by Rosanne Bohman who had not scored in the second half. Bohman also ignited one of the night's key plays, a long bank shot that bounced in from 37 and over 12 minutes remaining the senior made.

Kickers hope to continue drive in postseason

Badgers next on Champs' list

By KATHLEEN LOPEZ
Sports Writer

A sequel is in the making for the Wisconsin Badgers. The Badgers are finding themselves in the same predicament as they did last year. In their fourth consecutive NCAA bid, they will once again meet a hot Irish team in their second round for a second year in a row. Last year, Notre Dame dismissed Wisconsin, 5-0.

"I'm sure they are coming in hungry," said Irish head coach Chris Petrucelli. "But so are we."

Earlier this season, the two teams met in a heated battle. It was a physical matchup with lots of fouls. The Badgers offense would not allow themselves to be silenced, and constantly plagued the Irish defense. Notre Dame's defense has been the foundation for the team, and held their ground in the contest. The Badgers could not shutdown the Irish attack, and the Irish come out victorious, 3-1.

"They are physical team," said Petrucelli about Wisconsin. "Also they are an athletic team. In our last game, their idea was to disrupt our rhythm by fouling."

The team is ready for a physical game after playing the University of Indiana, last weekend. The Irish managed to weather the blows of the Hoosiers, and hold on for the 8-1 victory. The game was highlighted by the large number of fouls called, and Irish junior Holly Mantei received a yellow card, along with a Hoosier player.

"It is a game we will enjoy because of the level Wisconsin will have their hands full with Cindy Davies,

Men ready to take next step

By BRIAN REINTHALER
Sports Writer

One game at a time. That has been the philosophy of the men's soccer team from the outset of the 1996 campaign. So far, all that they have achieved is to get them into a 10-6-2 regular season record, a third place finish in the conference standings, a Big East post-season championship, and a berth in the NCAA tournament.

Not bad for a squad that suffered multiple injuries to key players and was forced to rely on the services a large number of freshmen and sophomores from the opening game of the year to the regular season finale.

It seems that ever since the Irish began the season with a conference win on the road at Providence (where as last year's team was winless away from home), they have been able to pick their spots and step up their level of play whenever they need it most.

This ability was clearly displayed when Notre Dame dropped four of its first five games of the season, including losing all three losses against conference foes, only to come roaring back to tear through the competition in the Big East Championship tournament. Their performances at Rutgers last weekend

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