ND fan’s dream comes true at Rutgers weekend

By ALLISON KOENIG
News Writer

Eighteen-year-old Tim Whittle grew up watching Notre Dame football games with his grandfather. Since he was little, he has dreamed of actually attending a Notre Dame home game. This past weekend, Tim’s wish came true. He flew out from his hometown of Baltimore to witness three days under the Golden Dome that will be especially remembered, not only by Tim and his accompanying family members, but by thousands of people across the country, due to the resignation of Coach Lou Holtz.

For Tim, the weekend was the fulfillment of a wish that has become ever stronger since this past Easter, when he was diagnosed with Chronic Myelogenous Leukemia. The Grant-A-Wish foundation organized Tim’s weekend at Notre Dame. “Grant-A-Wish is a full-service charity; we provide relief from the stress and burden of being critically ill,” said Communications Director Lorran Tran.

The Whittles became aware of the foundation through their social worker. Tim, who previously visited the University but had never seen a home game, knew immediately what his wish would be.

“They asked me which of the last two games I would like to attend this season, and I chose Rutgers,” said Tim. At the time, he had no idea that it would be such a historic game.

“I wish he (Holtz) wasn’t leaving, but it was going to happen eventually,” added Tim, reflecting the feelings of many Irish fans.

In addition to attending the game, Tim, accompanied by other members of his family, took part in the full football weekend experience. The family received a tour of the College Football Hall of Fame, lunch with the Rutgers team, room at the Marriott Hotel, and a gourmet breakfast at the Morris Inn.

“Going to the game was the best part of the weekend,” said Tim. “The pep rally was also pretty cool, but the game was definitely my favorite part,” said Tim.

The weekend journey proved a much needed break from the painful leukemia treatment. Tim has been sitting out of college classes since early this fall when a new drug treatment altered his energy level and required rest rather than rigorous studying.

“(The visit to Notre Dame) was a great break. It can get kind of boring sitting around home,” said Tim.

Grant-A-Wish provides sever-

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Bolstered by grant, ACE continues work

By KAT RAEDMACHER
News Writer

The Corporation for National Service has awarded Notre Dame’s Alliance for Catholic Education (ACE) a grant of more than $645,000. This new award represents a $145,000 increase of over its 1995 grant. More than $495,000 of the grant will be issued to 105 ACE teachers in the form of education awards of $4,725 apiece.

Becoming professional educators, enriching community life and spiritual development are the three pillars of ACE, begun by Father Timothy Scully in 1994 and directed by Sister Lourdes Sheehan, ACE is now in its third year.

The group describes its goal as “to develop a corps of highly motivated and committed young educators to meet the needs of our country’s most under-served elementary and secondary schools.”

ACE students, many of whom are Notre Dame and Saint Mary’s graduates, make a two-year commitment to the program. They receive eight weeks of training during the summer and then teach full-time in parochial schools in nine southern states.

Following the first year of teaching, ACE participants return for a second summer of training after which they work in South Bend public schools.

Dominic Amorosa, a member of ACE and in his first year of teaching, feels he was adequately prepared from the summer “crash course” he took part in. The teaching experience, however, has also been a learning process for him.

“You need to try new things and be ready to change,” said Amorosa.

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Bond Hall nearly complete

By MICHELLE KRupa
Assistant News Editor

Form and function collided during the renovation of the architecture building unlike they had in any previous campus construction.

Because the very people who use the facility also have the knowledge to build it, details have been worked out to serve students and faculty adequately and attractively.

And the newly designed building also has a new name — Bond Hall — in tribute to William Bond Jr., whose previously anonymous $5 million gift underwrote the construction project. The building first served as a library and was carried out by Calumet Construction.

The building first served as a library and was converted to serve the architecture community in 1963. Bright colors and classical architecture best describe the newest facets of the building, according to Michael Smith, director of facilities engineering. Also, a new 15,000 square foot addition, including two stairways, an elevator, an auxiliary second floor, and a wheelchair lift was added to the original superstructure.

According to Job Superintendent Butch Lehman, the University gave explicit instructions about the purification of the structure.

“They were very specific on the outside of the building. They required rest rather than rig­

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‘One World, One Hope’

This banner will hang over the entrance to the Moreau Gallery at Saint Mary's College until Friday. It was erected by the SMC Arts Club and the Moreau Gallery to commemorate the "Day Without ArtWorld AIDS Awareness" on Dec. 1. The banner's one word was derived from this year's World AIDS Day

BSU helps out non-Catholics

By ALEX ORR
News Writer

The Baptist Student Union, formed nearly 15 years ago and backed by a number of South Bend Protestant church­es, provides support and guidance for non-Catholic students at the University.

According to Leann Pace, student coordinator for the union, the group conducts a series of weekly BASIC (Brothers and Sisters in Christ) that finds the opportuni­

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Lost among the headlines of Cardinal Bertran's paper last week was one news item that deserves more discussion.

The headline of the story in question was: "Thefts persist in ND libraries.

Granted, crime is an everyday reality that comes as the price of society, and the recent rash of laptop thefts at Hesburgh Library and the Law Library are minor compared to what occurs in other nations.

But when one considers that the population of the Notre Dame and Saint Mary's campuses are geared toward embodying a specific profile—one of intelligence, cooperation, and an appreciation of what is considered moral, in students as well as faculty and staff—the crime spree is nothing short of disgusting and reprehensible.

Imagine your frustration if, while you were working in the library during mid-term weeks in October, your laptop was stolen while you were gone for five minutes to buy a Coke. All of your research and writing—gone, just because you were too trusting and too unprepared? Well, that ridiculous scenario hit a few students during mid-term weeks and a few more just recently.

Maybe it is coincidence, but the rash of thefts has spread to another venue on campus: the LaFortune laundry room. While such incidents could prompt an argument for putting laundry machines in every dorm, it is not the solution. Students should clean their clothes, clean their rooms, and the administration should reinforce security measures.

As a member of The Observer, I have a duty to inform the community of such incidents. At Notre Dame, we have the opportunity to live and learn in an environment closed off from the harsh realities of the real world. It is our responsibility to make the most of it.

Cronkite defends media opinions

Walter Cronkite said Monday he's decided to appoint his fellow broadcast veteran Dan Bradly (Cronkite's replacement as anchor of the "CBS Evening News") as an intern in his new position of "President Clinton's "bone.""

As a commentator, Brindley is entitled to express his opinions. Cronkite said "Rather than apologize, he should put his foot in the mouth. Why shouldn't he have an opinion if he thinks the president is in the wrong?"

Cronkite retired in 1981 as "CBS Evening News" anchor, in an interview with The Associated Press. "If he's not going to apologize, then the public should have a voice. If he had said, 'Mr. President, you know now that I think you're wrong,' you've got 10 minutes to prove yourself," he said.

Bradly is poised to make his debut in an interview with Clinton for his final "This Week with David Brindley." It is not clear how Clinton will react to the newscaster's criticisms.

Train from hell travels twisty tracks

John Orr is just thankful to be off the "train from hell" in time for Thanksgiving. Orr was among the 109 weary passengers who climbed off Amtrak No. 7 in Seattle on Sunday night, nearly 12 hours late, after a mishap-filled trip from Chicago.

"They were very apologetic," said Orr, 60, of Kettle, Ky., as he boarded a Chicago-bound train for the trip to Seattle to spend Thanksgiving with his grandson. Then the problems continued. First, they were forced to remain on the train for an all-nighter. The liquid fuel of one of the breakdowns, which went down in the mid-Atlantic in 1986, damaged a hotel.

San Francisco Examiner reported.

Andrea, 2-year-old brother, Shando, were critically injured as well. The twins were carrying Buzz Lightyear dolls, the astronaut from the movie "Toy Story" who thinks he can fly, paramedics said. Andrea was declared dead shortly after arriving at Jacobi Hospital. Andrea, suffering from internal injuries, was in "very critical and unstable" condition at Montefiore Medical Center.

Cold war sub sinks, leaks plutonium

Known amounts of highly radioactive plutonium leaked into the ocean from nuclear warheads aboard a Soviet submarine that sank in the mid-Atlantic in 1986, the San Francisco Examiner reported. It was the first case in which weapons-grade plutonium leaked from a submarine into the ocean, the newspaper reported in Sunday's editions.

Both the Soviet and U.S. governments have acknowledged the incident, but not the contamination. Scientists say they have no idea how far, or even if, particles of plutonium traveled from the submarine to the San Francisco Bay, the newspaper said.

Scientists want to examine the submarine's hull for signs of damage and not leave the sub's missiles apparently ignited, causing damage that will take weeks to assess. And the FBI said the crew tried to make repairs, the Examiner said. It was taken under tow by a Soviet trawler but began taking on water and was abandoned. At least four of the 120 crew members died.

Armageddon Group claims six in protest bombing

A bomb exploded Monday near a hospital in the southern Algerian capital of Algiers, killing one person and injuring 13, witnesses said, but no official relation to a referendum that would ban political parties based on religion or language.

On Sunday, a car bomb killed five people and injured 18.

There was no claim of responsibility for either bombing. However, the Armageddon Islamic Group led by Anita Zoubairi has circulated a leaflet promising to "break the neck of anyone who votes in this week's constitutional referendum.

Security has been reinforced on highways and near public buildings ahead of the vote. Besides banning political parties based on religion or language, the referendum would establish a Senate that is appointed one-third by the president and two-thirds by local officials. The proposal is supported by President Lamine Zeroual who has brought boycott calls from parties that would be affected, including the Islamic Salvation Front, which would be permanently banned.

The Front was barred from imminent election victory in January 1992, setting off the insurrection that has left an estimated 60,000 people dead.

The blast Monday occurred outside the central hospital in Berrouragia, 60 miles south of Algiers, according to security forces who said it was carefully aimed.

Six of the injured were seriously hurt. A Sunday's car bomb in Baida, 30 miles south of the capital, damaged a hotel, wore barricades, and burned school, witnesses said.

Most Algerians will vote Thursday on the referendum, voting began Monday among nomads in the southern Sahara region and for security forces. For the 735,000 Algerians living abroad—mainly in France—voting began Friday.

The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.
SMC luncheon explores leadership qualities

By ANGELA CATALDO

A group of 70 Saint Mary's students, faculty and administrators gathered for a noon luncheon yesterday, sponsored by the Fund for the Improvement of Postsecondary Education, to discuss the spirituality of leadership.

Small groups of students, faculty and staff shared stories and reflected from a set of questions that Sister Betty Smoyer described as "geared to delving into the network of human relationships that give meaning to our lives and labors."

According to Smoyer, the discussion was to be an "interdenominational exploration into where we gather the resources to exercise leadership here at Saint Mary's and other places, too."

After sharing individual life experiences among themselves, the group explored similarities in the experiences. Participants said that they discovered recurring themes of courage, love, faith, discipline and an increased sense of awareness.

Having explored these experiences, the group split to discuss the qualities expected of a leader to overcome differences and recognize the sense of togetherness within a group and to be a catalyst for growth. "As one takes on leadership there is a discovery of self-growth and self-confidence," said Professor Patrick White.

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Al programs in hospitals across the country for families dealing with critical illnesses. The program provides support groups within each hospital for young patients, like Tim, to help each other and share experiences.

Many of the patients travel across the country to receive treatment, and with them come family members who need a place to stay. Grant-A-Wish maintains the Children’s House, a 17-bedroom house across the street from Johns Hopkins, as housing for the families of patients. The foundation also maintains a beach house and a mountain cabin that provide in-hospital entertainment, as well as tickets to local events. The Dream Box Program, which provides gifts to patients entering treatment, is also sponsored by Grant-A-Wish. Patients are encouraged to focus on that particular gift during the therapy session, and afterwards, they are allowed to choose a toy to keep.

Grant-A-Wish is aided by “good samaritans,” a number of whom contributed to various efforts led to the Tim Whittle’s dream visit a reality. I would definitely like to go back to school,” said Tim. “I’m just going to take it day by day for a reason, see how the treatment goes.”

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Amorosa said. “The desire to teach and serve the community attracts many recent college graduates to ACE. “ACE was a chance to give back to the community,” Bridget Barry, a member of ACE and in her first year of teaching, said. Barry, both of whose parents are teachers, says that she knows the challenges of being Catholic in an area where Catholicism is considered ‘weird.’” The combination of these two forces led Barry to pursue ACE. Although Erica Engnellard, a participant in ACE and in her first year of teaching, thinks that the teaching is very challenging, she finds it worthwhile.

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I didn’t want it cleaned so that it would detract from the original limestone look,” Lehman said.

The interior and roof were also completely refurbished. “We totally gutted the inside, except for the original foyer area, replaced all the concrete floors, and replaced the plaster. A few months ago, it was just an empty shell. We had to replace the whole roof too, to make it safe. We kind of rebuilt the whole inside,” said Lehman.

The first floor will include studies for first and second year students and a woodworking shop. The second floor will be taken up primarily by the architecture library, including a rare books room, classrooms, lecture halls, a gallery, and studios for third and fourth year students. The third floor will house fifth year and graduate student facilities, as well as administrative offices.

The improved building will boast new windows, granite and limestone on the main steps to the building, seminar rooms, a computer cluster, modernized restroom facilities, new lighting and sprinkler systems, and a café/lounge area for students and faculty.

The new sight package, which includes new sidewalks leading all the way to Sorin Hall on the east side of the building, find (the differences) annoying, but they force you to take a different look at you own faith,” Pace said.

Rebecca Krieg, a ‘93 graduate of Notre Dame, organizes activities and acts as a liaison between the group and the churches with which it is affiliated. Though she was initially uncomfortable in a foreign religious climate, Krieg feels herself on the outside looking in, but, rather, fully integrated. In here. It’s like a birthday surprise. It’s more than just going to a party, it’s a great present,” Lehman said.

Echoing the views of Pace, Krieg stated, “It makes you know what you believe, and opens your eyes to other religions.” Neither Krieg nor Pace have felt themselves on the outside looking in, but, rather, fully functioning and assimilated members of the University, despite initial differences.

The Baptist Student Union meets Mondays at 7 p.m., in the Center for Social Concerns.

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WASHINGTON
Decked out in an appropriately red suit, Tipper Gore today rode in a hydraulically lift to top the National Christmas Tree with an 8 42-inch illuminated star.

The vice president and his wife rode to the top of the 46-foot Colorado blue spruce with John Betchkal, president of Pageant of Peace, Inc. The tree, on the Ellipse behind the White House, was already partially decorated with gold garlands and hundreds of tiny lights.

Tipper tops X-mas tree
BY JENNIFER BATOG
Associated Press Writer

Yeltsin sees ‘Russia’s breakup’

Associated Press

MOSCOW
Viktor Yeltsin’s hard-line rivals today said they may try to impeach the president over his order to pull the last Russian troops out of Chechnya.

“We are witnessing the beginning of Russia’s breakup,” said Viktor Ilyushkin, a prominent Communist who chairs the Security Committee in the Duma, the lower house.

“This is sufficient to initiate impeachment proceedings against the president,” he told the Interfax news agency.

Yeltsin on Saturday ordered the last two Russian brigades out of the rebel republic by the end of January. His hard-line foes, once staunch critics of the war, now professed outrage at what looks to many like a final admission of defeat. Parliament has scheduled a special session on Chechnya for Friday.

Yeltsin’s withdrawal order paved the way for the signing Saturday of an accord on Russian-Chechen relations. Elections for a new local government in the mostly Muslim republic are set for Jan. 27.

The head of the Security Council, Ivan Rybkin, staunchly defended the deal but admitted it has critics even within the administration. He said the defense minister is in favor of the pullout, but the interior minister had doubts about it.

Col. Gen. Anatoly Shkirko, commander of Interior Ministry troops in Chechnya, was openly skeptical about whether the Chechens would really lay down their arms once Russian troops left.

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When the blue egg broke and crows flew out, the chief told those who had chosen it that they would have to stay at Acoma. The others continued southward, and nobody knows where they ended up.

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Modern humans suffer from ignorance of nature

Several weeks ago, I was watching a somewhat predictable Thursday night sitcom on NBC. One of the characters commented to a friend that a new shrub, presumably in a pot, had just been delivered to the front of their New York City apartment complex. The friend questioned with marked disinterest, "Really, is it evergreen or deciduous?" The first speaker looked at the second askance and the second not very much. How could someone ever not know if their own bush is evergreen or deciduous suggested the extension of our morality and a regret because it is currently politically correct, or even bordering on controversial, maybe even bordering on intellectually insulting. The encyclopedic knowledge of the natural world was a necessary precursor to this modern-day man's metacognitive awareness of the natural world; this could be an important step in slowing environmental decline. Because most Americans no longer have to know the intricacies of the local thicket in some wet swale in the woods to realize the import of the flora and fauna he encounters, how could someone observe the intricate communicative dances of a bee or the unfurling of the bloodroot in the cold woods of March, fully realizing the significance of these events for his own life, and not be afraid to alter things in a way which would eventually eliminate them? But when someone never experiences these processes, or sees them but has no connection to them, it is much harder for that person to feel empathy or fear when they are destroyed.

Today, no bloodroot breaks the cold concrete of a March parking lot. The majority do not know of the bloodroot nor care, and some forlorn tale of the survival among hunter-gatherer societies to their own inhabitants. A large portion of the population is no longer moved when the wooded hills of their youths are no more, and this is a serious problem which clouds our environmental future.

Throughout human history, the first speaker's reaction to the second's question would have been considered ludicrous, maybe even bordering on madness. An intimate knowledge of the natural world was a necessary precursor to survival among hunter-gatherer cultures and almost as useful to the farmer. A child would know what was deciduous and evergreen and very much more at a young age or he would fail at the age of self-sufficiency. There is rather a love of artifice; of the placing on the contemporary American environment by development. It evergreen or deciduous? The first speaker looks at the second askance and the second not very much. How could someone ever not know if their own bush is evergreen or deciduous? The first speaker looks at the second askance and the second not very much. How could someone ever not know if their own bush is evergreen or deciduous? The encyclopedic knowledge of the natural world was a necessary precursor to survival among hunter-gatherer cultures and almost as useful to the farmer. A child would know what was deciduous and evergreen and very much more at a young age or he would fail at the age of self-sufficiency. There is rather a love of artifice; of the placing on the contemporary American environment by development. It evergreen or deciduous? The first speaker looks at the second askance and the second not very much. How could someone ever not know if their own bush is evergreen or deciduous?

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—William Blake
The old order changeth, yielding place to new'

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No, I'm not talking about that silly turkey-eating ritual. A whole day of stressing out whether the Jell-O mold is holding its shape and which of six identical forks to eat with? Who needs the aggravation?

I'm referring to the day after Thanksgiving, of course, otherwise known to women as "the number one shopping day of the year" and to men as "Hell!"

Not sure which category you fall under? Well, that's pretty scary and you might want to consider professional help; but just to be sure, take this handy dandy little quiz:

1. At 8 a.m. the morning after turkey day, your first thought is: a) "Oh, my God! I'll never get a parking spot if I don't leave right now!" b) Why am I awake?

2. If you have plans to go anywhere near a mall on Friday, November 29, it's because: a) you have an itemized Christmas shopping list prepared for weeks and have been waiting for the mega-sales to start on it. b) your mom and sister need someone to drop them off at the door and carry their 46 packages for the better part of eight hours.

3. Your idea of a store that's too crowded to shop in is: a) when other less experienced shoppers need paramedic help after collapsing from suffocation. b) any store.

4. You're not sure what to buy your significant other for Christmas, so you: a) hit every store in three malls looking for inspiration. b) forget about it altogether until December 24 at which point you decide that a half-dead poinsettia and a teddy bear tucked from Wal-Mart would be a perfect expression of your feelings.

5. The day after Thanksgiving, you're giving thanks for: a) the inventor of credit cards. b) the fact that you just broke up with someone and therefore don't have to shop for a Christmas gift.

If you answered "a" to three or more of these questions, you strongly lean toward the feminine side of shopping. If you answered "b," you are generally a man, or could be a woman who had a traumatic shopping experience in early childhood. If you answered "c," you're the envy of too many standardized test makers.

The bottom line is that there's no escaping the overpowering lure of post-Thanksgiving shopping. If you don't feel the urge to strategically peruse the mall in one fell swoop, someone in your life undoubtedly will, so let's at least prepare you for your Friday morning faire.

In honor of the great American shopping holiday, here's a look at the best (and worst) gift ideas for the special people of the opposite sex on your list.

Gifts for Him, From HER

Scientific evidence (and/or my irratinal observation) has proven that many men are also bought a shopping gene that enables them to bag a bargain hunt and sieze gift lists with innate skill. This can be scary to the average male, because it puts women at a distinct advantage as they attack holiday shopping with a vengeance. But even the most seasoned shoppers can get "shopped," so ladies, here are a few suggestions on how to shop for the men in your life:

Dad: Dads are easy. Dads like anything. Especially from their little girls. Even if it's on Dad's own credit card. Seriously. Sweaters are always a safe bet, as long as you don't have anything like Santa and his reindeer embroidered on them. And let's not forget golf balls, which many fathers happily anticipate stockpiling on each Christmas Day of the three days, though, because then Mom will find a reason to make him dress up and take her somewhere else. If you're short on cash or grant or give type, don't even try to purchase whatever it is he's been eyeing. Inevitably, you'll pick the wrong one or find that he bought it as a present to himself three weeks earlier.

Brothers: Obviously, this depends on their age. Buying your older married sibling a Sega might be terrific in his eyes, but his wife will want to kill you when he's more interested in Mortal Kombat than in her. Flannel items well work for brothers of all ages, and can be found from the Baby Gap through Banana's XXXL-Tall. Younger brothers will be pacified with CDs or any movie (no more than $13, of course), featuring Terri Hatcher, Torri Hatcher, or the lost object of their choice.

Boyfriend/significant other/person you spend all your time with but can't put a label on because you go to a school with gender relations that make camenons look aware. This is the one person, because when you face the catch-22 of gift giving — if you buy from the heart and ignore the price tags, what happens if he doesn't like it? — you feel bad if he spends too much, so you end up buying him a watch, three sweaters and tickets to a Bull game and he gives you a gift-wrapped box of Pop-Tarts. Personally, I love Pop-Tarts to the 9th highest heaven, but since you probably aren't worried about what to buy for me, what should you buy? (Suggestion: putting the big bucks aside for creativity.) I'm not saying you should forge your philo paper to construct a birdhouse out of macaroni and sticks for the beloved. But you could find out how about blancher seats to opening day at Wrigley Field? A completed photo album? Homemade cookies? This is a no-brainer. Just ask your man to cook. My cooking would take care of the Christmas shopping by killing everyone on the list.

The point is, he'll love the gift because you took time to think about it, not because you went bankrupt buying it. Of course, there are probably many more men in your life than these three. So to avoid the pitfalls, up to three is the max.

9. soap on a rope
8. electronic noise earplugs
7. "Men's Health" magazine (the "Men's Health" magazine can encourage them)
6. a polished savings & loan account for their masculinity
5. fruit-scented candles
4. any Rich kitchen items
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2. "Cook it. light it. GIFTS FOR HER: above all, avoid the problems.

Mom: Thankfully, absolutely everyone has a grade school Christine or an Licia or a Donna or a Sarah. (Or, I at least think you will agree.)

These girls have actually learned a lesson long ago — if you sign your kids too much money, it's a license to engage in all manner of silly actions. Thank you. Women's clothing and jewelry options are endless, but if you don't own a car, you need a car. An expensive. If Dad is the power tool or gadget geek type, --have him fill out a list of what he wants and then buy it for him. But never fear, This helpful guide to help revolutionize your life, or at least set of electronic data.

Thankfully, I absolutely believe you should go out of your way to buy your friends a gift. Honestly, they have actually learned how to tell us what they want, so don't ever buy our own students a suit or a watch. Or we may just become dropouts.

Web Site of the Week

The Web-volution of the Internet

By JASON HUGGINS

World Wide Web Webcomics

With the ever-increasing influence of the World Wide Web in today's society, it is hard to believe the Web did not even exist until a few years ago. For the past two years, the Web has spread throughout the world, providing people with an incredible amount of information.

The World Wide Web began in March 1993, when Tim Berners-Lee (www.w3.org/People/Berners-Lee) of the European Physics Laboratory (known as CERN, a collective of European high-energy physics researchers) proposed the project to be used as a means of transporting research and ideas effectively throughout the organization. Effective communications was a goal of CERN's for many years, as its members were located in a number of countries. The initial project proposal outlined a simple system of using hypertext to transport documents and communicate among members in the high-energy physics community. There was no intention of adding sound or video, and the capability to transmit images was not considered.

By the end of 1990, the first pieces of Web software was introduced on a NeXT computer. It had the capability to view and transmit hypertext documents to other people in CERN and came with the capability to publish hypertext documents on the NeXT. Publications were given to CERN committees and seminars, and a demonstration given at the HyperText '91 conference. You can check out CERN's Web, www.cern.ch.

Throughout 1992 Berners-Lee continued to speak on and evangelize the emerging technology. It is probably this enthusiasm and visibility that caused the World Wide Web to become so popular.

But why is the Web so popular? First, the Web offers a very simple-to-use interface to the traditionally hard-to-master resources on the Internet. It is probably this ease of use that has caused many graphical interfaces to the Web to be created. Second, the potential of using networked hypertext and multimedia has prompted users to create and explore countless innovative applications on the Internet. It is now that more educational users are using the Web than they would have been a couple of years ago.

Months after CERN's original proposal, the National Center for Supercom
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s that you can't remember if the testosterone persuasion, the thought of yet another white teddy bear or powder-fresh perfume gift set makes many a female tremble with fear.

Sisters:

A quick glance at her closet will tell you what her favorite stores are, and the structures in their general range of your girlfriend will have already given her something

OMG: Flanner

Larry Ward Medical Minute Correspondent

The pain experienced with a headache can sometimes be fleeting. On the other hand, the pain sometimes felt by a headache can feel like a jackhammer incessantly pounding away at the skull.

Indeed, everyone suffers from headaches at one time or another. This phenomenon of head pain has many causes and the site, severity, and frequency of headaches varies from individual to individual.

You may or may not realize that brain tissue cannot actually ache. What's more is that pain cannot even occur in most of the skull and cannot occur in a large portion of the brain membrane.

In fact, only certain areas in the human head are pain-sensitive. For example, the arteries, the venous sinuses, and their tributaries veins are the places where pain is felt. Also, pain can result in response to stimulation to parts of the brain's outer membranes at the base of the brain. Finally, certain cranial and cervical nerves in this region of the head are pain sensitive.

An interesting note is that pain is pretty much the only sensation that can be produced by stimulating the structures listed above.

The cranial and cervical nerves inside of the skull send sensations to the central nervous system. Specifically, the cranial nerves send messages of dental or jaw pain to the cranial nerves system and the cervical nerves relay pain in the neck and the base of the head to the central nervous system.

Pain on the outside of the skull is caused by several stresses applied to various regions of the head. First, pain and a resulting headache can be caused by inflammation or tension of muscles and muscles and arteries in this area are sensitive to pain stimulation. In addition, the skull coating of a person's head and skin cavities can also be stimulated by pain thus resulting in aches of the head.

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Steelers beat Dolphins, 24-17

By STEVE VINCE
Associated Press Writer

MIAMI — With the game on the line, Mike Tomczak connected on one more pass than Dan Marino.

Tomczak threw for 252 yards, including a touchdown pass to Ernie Mills with 2:10 remaining to give the Bears a 24-17 victory Monday night.

Marino moved Miami 73 yards in the final two minutes to the 7-yard line, but his pass to Russell Maryland with 25 seconds left incompletely in the end zone.

"It's very exhilarating," Tomczak said. "When we scored, I told teammates, Wolfy, "Marino's got too much time." He said, "Who cares?"

The Dolphins (6-6) fell a game behind San Diego in their bid for a wild-card berth.

"It didn't go our way down to us scoring with two minutes left," Marino said. The Bears (10-2) increased their lead to three games over several AFC Central rivals.

"It's a big win for our team," Pittsburgh coach Tom Landry said. "It was a team that's looking at this as their playoff game. It was a hostile environment," Pittsburgh coach Bill Cowher said.

With the outcome, AFC West leader Denver (11-1) became the first team to clinch a post¬ season berth.

The Steelers' Jerome Bettis rushed for a touchdown inside 4:30 minutes to put the Bears in front 17-16. Pittsburgh was penalized just once. Guards Everett McVie and rookie Jake Beck, making his first start for the Dolphins, were each penalized once for 10 yards in the second half.

"Penalties and miscommunications took their toll in the second half," coach Jimmy Johnson said. "It was a frustrating loss. We felt we could win, and we had plenty of opportunities."

Marino's 38-yard pass to Troy Drayton set up a 1-yard field goal by Joe Nedney to tie the game 17-17 late in the third quarter. But Nedney missed a 48-yard attempt with 1:31 seconds left.

Pittsburgh's second sack of Marino backed up the punter, and McVie punts into the back of the end zone. Miami 49 yards to go.

"I just want to come on, get the big yardage, and take advantage of some mistakes they made," Tomczak said.

Mills said the ball seemed to be on an "off-angle throw that just got away from us." He added, "We didn't complete enough of our deep passes for the offense to be able to score."

"I'd say it was an off-angle throw that just got away from us. I think we didn't make enough big plays," Tomczak said.

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Atlanta deals McMichael to New York for Byrd

Tuesday, November 26, 1996

The Associated Press

Young Celebrations

McMichael after signing NL Byrd in 1996, but his salary figured to go up significantly since he was eligible for arbitration for the first time.

I knew that a trade was one possible scenario with my change in position," he said. "So it's not a complete shock. But I'm down a little bit. It's hard when you've established your home and you enjoy being here year round. I've been thinking of my wife and kids and things like that."

McMichael had been a stalwart in the Braves bullpen over the past four seasons, compiling an 18-14 record with a 2.89 ERA and 44 saves. He led the Braves with 19 saves in 1993 and 21 in 94, but he had been primarily used in middle relief the last two seasons.

In 1996, McMichael was 5-3 with a 3.22 ERA and two saves in 73 games as the set-up reliever for Mark Wohlers. But adding her usual outstanding play with 16 digs on the week-end which puts her just seven behind Jessica Flebels on second place on the Irish career list.

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"I don't feel good when I didn't do my very best," he said. "I know that's a part of the game that sometimes happens."

With the move, the Braves hope to keep their payroll around $50 million, couldn't afford to keep McMichael after signing NL Cy Young Award winner John Smoltz to a $31 million, four-year contract last week.

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Men finish ninth; Deeter third

Observer Staff Report

Notre Dame's men's cross country team ended its 1996 season with its second-consecutive top-10 finish at the NCAA cross country championship in Tucson, Ariz. Assistant coach Greg Mitchem said, "We're very pleased with the way the men finished. We certainly accomplished that." Notre Dame's women's cross country team led the Irish to their first NCAA Championship race. Stanford claimed both the men's and women's team titles, marking the first time since 1985 that one school claimed both titles when Wisconsin swept the titles. Arkansas' Coach Dan Henning suspended his second NCAA men's race and Arizona's Coach S. Skierses claimed the women's title on her home course.

"Our goal all year was to finish in the top 10 and we certainly accomplished that," said Notre Dame men's cross country coach Joe Piane. "I think everyone would agree that we could have done a little better, but not coming away with two All-Americans is very satisfying. The future looks very bright for both programs."

Deeter started the women's race strong, running second through the middle portion of the race before Providence's Marie McMahon edged Deeter out for second, passing Deeter in the final third of the race.

The third-place finish ties her lowest finish of the year, which came on the same course at the Arizona Invitational. Skierses won the race with a time of 17:04, while McMahon finished in 17:20 with Deeter close behind at 17:24.

"For a freshman to come into her first NCAA race and do what she did is remarkable," said Notre Dame women's cross country coach Tim Connelly. "She approached the race with such an incredible outlook, focusing on having fun and running the way she likes."

"My goal was just to go out there and have fun," said Deeter. "I didn't want to put any pressure on myself, just to have fun running which I always do, but of course I am happy with my finish."

Henning resigns from B.C.

By JIMMY GOLEN

BOSTON

Boston College coach Dan Henning resigned Monday, more a victim of two consecutive losing seasons than the gambling scandal that rocked the team.

"It has nothing to do with the gambling situation. Absolutely nothing. It has to do with football," athletic director Chet Gladchuk said. "Look at the statistics. Take a look at the record. Take a look at the program.

In three years under Henning, the Eagles posted a 9-32-1 record, including a 5-7 mark during a 1996 season that finished with 13 Eagles playing servings for betting. "This has been a difficult year," Henning said in a statement.

"There have been a number of distractions that have hurt the focus and clouded the overall issue. I believe that someone else may have been able to take a fresh approach that will benefit both Boston College and the players that are members of this football program."

Meeting with reporters in his office, Gladchuk said he scheduled a routine postseason discussion Monday at which the two stepped back to look at the overall progress of the football program.

During the meeting, Gladchuk said, the two decided together that Henning should not return. "We agreed that it would be better for the program and better for the university that we have new leadership," Gladchuk said. "I think the world of him. He is a quality person. It's just something that wasn't working right now. We agreed that was the case and that's how we decided to move on."

Gladchuk said he had not reached a conclusion about Henning's future heading into the meeting.

And he said he did not remember who first broached the issue of Henning, who has two years left on his five-year contract, resigning.

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By CHARLEY GATES
Sports Writer

In a critical weekend for the Notre Dame hockey team that featured two away games in the Central Collegiate Hockey Association, the Irish managed a split — an impressive 5-3 win over Bowling Green and a last-second 4-3 loss to Miami of Ohio.

Against Bowling Green, the Boys of Winter had a tremendous first period for the first time this season. Nine minutes into the game, junior center Lyle Andrusiak picked off a pass at mid-ice and came in on Bowling Green goaltender Bob Petrie on a breakaway. Andrusiak put a shot between his legs to open the scoring for the Irish. Just 35 seconds after Andrusiak's heroics, sophomore right winger Brian Urick netted a power-play goal when he sent in a spin shot from the left circle. This gave Notre Dame a 2-0 lead.

Prior to the two first-period goals in this game, Notre Dame had scored just two other first-period goals in the nine games so far this season. "We had not played well in the first period this season until tonight," mused Notre Dame head coach Dave Poulin. "We focused on playing well from the start of the game and were coming off a great week of practice."

Junior captain Steve Noble agreed. "We were definitely happier with the effort in the first period. Everyone played better and was more focused."

Seven minutes into the second period, senior right wing Tim Harberts took a pass from freshman Tyson Fraser and beat the goaltender with a shot to the glove hand side, and the Irish found themselves with a 3-0 lead. The Irish managed a split — an impressive 5-3 win over Bowling Green and a last-second 4-3 loss to Miami of Ohio.

Andrusiak's heroics, however, mounted the Irish lead to 4-2 at the 10-minute mark of the third and had a 5 on 3 power play for 38 seconds. They could not capitalize though, and Notre Dame held on for the win.

"We haven't been in the position of holding a lead all that often," remarked Poulin, "and I was happy to see the poise that we showed in that situation. This team is growing in confidence and making strides developing a mentality of winning."

Noble also noticed improvements. "We made some progress on special teams tonight," said Noble, "and we were happy with that, but we're going to keep getting better."

On Saturday night against Miami of Ohio, the Irish dropped a heartbreaking 4-3 loss. Notre Dame slipped back into its power-play troubles, converting just one of seven chances. "We still need to work on special teams," said Noble.

Notre Dame jumped ahead in the second period when a wrap-around goal lifted Miami senior Terry Lorenz to the victory.

"It was a tough loss," said Harberts after the game. "Heartbreaking," said Noble, "but we've got to get ready for Tuesday's game."

Tonight, Notre Dame takes on No. 4 ranked Lake Superior State University in a pivotal CCHA game at 7 p.m. at the Joyce Center. Notre Dame is currently ranked No. 5 in the CCHA and the game provides an opportunity for the Irish to gain some ground in the standings.

"This is a big game for us," said Harberts. "We're close in the standings, and those games are always important."

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suffered a knee injury.

"The doctors have told us that Konstantin's knee is fine and will not require surgery," said Berticelli. "There's a good chance that he will be ready for Charleston.

Also, starting sweeper Matt McNeill, who missed the Greensboro game due to a severe case of the flu, will be back in the lineup on Sunday, according to Berticelli.

Having both starters will obviously be beneficial to Notre Dame, who is hoping to continue their improbable run at the title.

"We have a shot at being the 'Cinderella' of this tournament," said Berticelli.

Don't get the ever-confident coach wrong though. He fully intends to keep winning.

"We are good enough," said Berticelli, "to get to the Final Four."

The Irish will have to beat a team, in Charlotte, that was ranked No. 2 in the country earlier in the season and remains one of strongest teams around if they do intend to advance that far in the bracket.

"To be successful," noted Berticelli, "you have to overcome adversity. I have a tremendous amount of confidence in these kids believing that they can win."

The seventh-year head coach has been able to encourage the players' faith in themselves and keep the season in perspective at the same time.

"We're not the best team in America," acknowledged Berticelli, "but you can win a national championship without being the best team in the country. You just have to be the best team on the field for ninety minutes in each game."

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CREAM O' THE VALLEY ROAD

Happy Birthday! In the next year of your life, you will face a financial mystery. Developing a new approach to planning a home, you'll need to ensure your investments are solid. Polish your public relations skills and opt for a writer's choice. Taking a partner for granted would be a mistake. Be open to new ideas early in 1997. Vacation travel is best postponed until late summer. A step in the backwater or mountains sounds great! Learn from a relative's mistake. Romance will become more fulfilling if you adopt a healthier lifestyle.

Celebrities born on this day: singer Toni Turner, football player Art Shell, astronaut John Young, actress Debralee Scott and tennis champion Charles Schmitt.

Aries (March 21-April 19): Something you hear on television or read in the newspaper inspires you to take a chance. Romance may have to wait while you focus on professional relationships.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): You try not to let a family problem intrude during work hours. Patience and self-discipline help you win a battle. A calling or child shows newsworthiness.

Gemini (May 21-June 20): It's time to reevaluate your spending habits. Accuracy in the name of the game! Double-check information that seems odd. Higher-ups are impressed by your goal-oriented productivity. Give yourself the boot! Cancer (June 21-July 22): Feedback from friends or family helps you launch a project. One-on-one encounters build emotional bridges. Remember: Interests. Are you ready for a new commitment?

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): The news from those at a distance is great. Follow up with a tip. Someone influential is impressed by you. Or without a partner, you can

when we disagree, I always end up yelling.

Crossword

Across
1 Acuminate (scale with a point)
3 Mrs. Cooperfield
5 Action hero
14 French in battle
15 Dutch export
16 Aunts Berry
17 Claim on property
18 Vanilla star
21 To nob (ultimate)
24 Seniors' PAC
27 United Kingdom
32 Foreign
34 Sightseeing trip
38 Number
42 English royal
46 Intense fear
48 Soap
52 Cure, in a way
53 Actor
59 Blood of the sea
60 Israeli
62 Perch
63 Moran of sea
64 Calendar unit
67 Fish-eating birds
69 Hoylake
70 Chilean macaroni
75 Custer's capital
76 Billboard
77 Sears

Down
5 Large marsh near Virginia Beach
9 Prepare to fire
11 Blood of the gods
12 Food service
13 Liposuction
14 Interloper
15 Swab
17 Hydroponic plant attendant
18 Compact
22 Fainting
cough
26 Starfish
29 Snoopy, for one
30 Tinted
31 Like steak
33 Assail, as the ramparts are attacked
35 Taxi's ticker
37 Like steak
39 Restrict
41 Friend in battle
43 Mayberry gas station attendant
44 Compact
45 Lemon
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47 Caesar's photographs
48 Three-dimensional figure
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table
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51 Gotten up
52 Cure, in a way
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54 Computer screen image
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57 Gained weight
58 To anything
59 Halibut's home
61 Three-dimensional figure
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64 Calendar unit
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69 Fish-eating right
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72 Lovebird
73 Bulldog
tooth
74 Mork, etc.
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Answer to previous puzzle

Goal: Greek goddess of love and beauty

4. Venus: goddess of love and beauty
13. Aphrodite: goddess of love
21. Cupid: god of love
35. Love: emotion
38. Eros: god of love
51. Amorous: affectionate
52. Cupid: god of love
62. Venus: goddess of love
64. Lovebird: bird species
67. Love: emotion
73. Venus: goddess of love
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THIS IS EXACTLY WHAT I'M TALKING ABOUT.
Berticelli hopes squad can maintain confidence, advance to 'Elite Eight'

By BRIAN REINTHALER
Sports Writer

When asked what he would say if someone told him Notre Dame's soccer coach Mike Berticelli, before the season, that his team would win four post-season games in a row, including three away wins against ranked opponents, after losing four of their final five contests in the regular season, he responded, "I would tell them they were wrong. I wouldn't think that we would lose four of our last five in the regular season."

That is the kind of confidence that the Irish are playing with at this point in time and the reason for it is the positive attitude displayed by their coach from the outset. This confidence did not just happen at the beginning of the season though. It came through a combination of Berticelli's experience and impressive team wins that made the team believe that they were among the elite in the country.

Berticelli was also able to make sure that the players avoided excess nervousness going into the Big East tournament. "Don't worry. You're either eventually going to lose, or you'll be national champions," this obviously allowed the team to play a relaxed style of soccer. Now there are 16 teams left and Notre Dame is in one of them. The Irish will travel back to North Carolina this weekend to face UNC-Charlotte, who got by the College of Charleston, S.C., 3-1. The game will be at 2 p.m. on Sunday.

"They (Charlotte) are a team that does not make a lot of mistakes," acknowledged Berticelli. "They have national team goalie who is very, very good and (as a group) they don't really have a weakness. They are much like us in that their goal scoring is dispersed among 12 or 13 guys."

Berticelli is clearly aware that the squad cannot afford a let-down on Sunday. "We are going to approach this game the same way we have approached each game up until now," explained the coach. "We would be foolish to look past the next game. We are going to have to play a near flawless game every time out."

Berticelli also stressed the fundamentals that the team must remain focused on if they hope to extend their season yet again. "Defensive organization is critical," commented Berticelli. "We have to concentrate on not breaking down in covering for one another. We have to remain organized."

The team will also have to prepare for the possibility that senior midfielder Konstantin Koloskov, who has scored a number of clutch goals in the post-season, will not be able to go on Sunday. Koloskov was involved in a collision with a Greensboro player in the first round and will travel back to North Carolina this weekend to face UNC-Charlotte, N.C. and try to off yet another upset to advance to the quarterfinals of the NCAA's.

Treadwell ‘sets’ good example

Wins help Irish gain needed momentum

By JOE CAVATO
Sports Writer

Heading into the Big East tournament this past weekend the Notre Dame volleyball team was hoping to establish some momentum before the second season begins. That is exactly what head coach Debbie Brown got as the Irish (21-9) clinched their second straight Big East Tournament appearance with an automatic bid for the NCAA tournament with wins over Syracuse (15-9, 15-6, 15-2) and Pittsburgh (15-6, 15-6, 13-15, 15-9).

"They were the best back-to-back matches we played the entire season," commented the elated Brown. "Offensively we came a long way and it was real good to see a hot Pittsburgh team put a decent amount of pressure on us. We really had to respond to it and we came through it real well. So, I was real pleased with everything we did this weekend."

Sophomore middle blocker and tournament MVP, Lindsay Treadwell shared Brown's sentiments. "We have been looking to improve a lot lately since we're going into the playoffs. We did play a lot more steady and we had one of our best hitting matches. As a team we played more aggressive and more together."

Setter Carey May led the attack, as she engineered .369 and .323 hitting percentages in a 3-0 win over Syracuse and a 3-1 win over the host Pittsburgh Panthers. The semifinal match saw Notre Dame's best hitting percentage since the first game of the year (.384 against Central Florida). In Treadwell's MVP performance, she racked up 26 kills and just one error an incredible .610 hitting percentage. She also showed her back-row athleticism with 22 digs on the weekend. The middle blocker gives credit for much of her success to her teammates.

"I wouldn't say that I played exceptional," said Treadwell. "As a team we played better. A middle hitter won't be successful unless her passers are successful and our passers and passers did a great job this weekend. Carey May did an awesome job mixing up the offense."

Treadwell was not the only Domer who was honored this weekend, as three others picked up Big East awards. Junior hitter Jaimie Lee brought home the Player of the Year honors while captain Jenny Birken was named to the all-Big East team and Mary Letters was placed on the all-rookie team.

Lee has probably been the most important part of the squad as she was forced to play setter for over half the season before coming back as a setter for over half the season before coming back as a setter for her senior year. She had another back-row athleticism with 22 digs on the weekend. The middle blocker gives credit for much of her success to her teammates.

"I think she is very deserving of it," commented Brown. "She has obviously played a huge role for us this year, changing positions and coming back as a...

Chris Mathis and the Irish will invade Charlotte, N.C. and try to off yet another upset to advance to the quarterfinals of the NCAA's.