Malloy’s hiring ‘eroses’ confidence of Senate

By RUSSELL WILLIAMS
Assistant News Editor

The long-awaited vote by Faculty Senate regarding a disputed theology professor has been reserved by the professor and his credentials, and issued a report opposing his potential hiring.

What followed was a flurry of communications and meetings involving Lawrence Cunningham, chairman of the theology department; former Provost Timothy O’Meara; Harold Attridge, dean of the College of Arts and Letters; and members of the theology department. The members of the department and the department chair overwhelmingly supported the decision not to hire the candidate.

But Malloy overruled the theology department recommendation, and his actions inspired a lengthy investigation by the Faculty Senate’s Academic Affairs Committee. The investigation

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As the end of the semester approaches, most students are consumed by finals, papers, and plans for Christmas break. To a select few, however, it marks the close of their college career.

Saint Mary’s College will be graduating a few of their seniors this December. Among them are: Yolanda Ramirez and Leanne Doms. Ramirez will be graduating with a degree in sociology, and Doms will be graduating with a communication degree.

Currently, they are facing fears of what lies ahead, and they are coping with the emotions that go along with graduation.

They have the added pressure, however, of doing this without the comfort of knowing any of the same feelings and without the distraction of ceremonies and parties.

When seniors finish their graduation requirements at in

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Early grads seek recognition

By ANN KEARNS
Assistant Saint Mary’s Editor

The debate continues: Should athletes be paid?

By JOHN DEBOY
News Writer

On Saturday, Southern California quarterback Brad Olson’s 5-yard touchdown pass to Rodney Sermons gave the Trojans a 27-20 overtime victory over the Irish and most likely cost Notre Dame an $8.5 million Major Bowl contract. Bowl game or no bowl game, however, the high fees paid by bowl sponsors to participating universities have served to rekindle debate over the exploitation of student athletes by their schools. Additionally, intercollegiate athletes and others have continued to call for monthly stipends that would give college players a small percentage of the profits generated in big-time college sports.

At Notre Dame, where the athletic department ranks among the most successful in the nation, some students claim that varsity sports standouts at Notre Dame, many of whom come from disadvantaged backgrounds, may deserve a slice of the pie generated in large part by their successes on the field.

In a recently published book entitled "Unsportsmanlike Conduct: Exploiting College Athletes," director of the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA), claims that "the wheel of fortune (in college athletics) is badly unbalanced in favor of the athletes and against the students who play the game." According to Byers, "the coaches own the athletes’, feet, the colleges own the athletes' bodies, and the supervisors retain the large rewards. That reflects a neocolonial mentality on the campuses that is not appropriate at this time of high dollars."

In response to observations made by Byers and others, many close to the college athletics scene have championed an intense debate over whether or not student athletes should be entitled to a portion of the revenue that they help generate for their schools. In a recent Time magazine essay, journalist Steve Wulf proposed a $100 million subsidy for Division I intercollegiate athletes, a modest compensation that he feels would provide some financial relief for students who come from disadvantaged backgrounds.

While Wulf is quick to admit that student athletes should be thankful for the educational opportunities afforded them via athletic scholarships, he feels that recent increases in the number of athletes who leave early for professional opportunities, among other reasons, are indicative of a need for reform in intercollegiate athletics.

Athletes leaving school early is one of the reasons the NCAA is finally looking into the issues these athletes face. However, few believe that the financial relief that Wulf advocates would be sufficient to address the problems facing student athletes.
DART 101: 5 minutes of hell

It's that time of year again, kiddies! Women and men all across campus are just chasing the joy and excitement in the air! Personally, I'm just thrilled it's back in my life again!

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5. Repeat Step 6 until you have been closed out of a class you wish to take.

8. You may begin sobbing now.

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Q. What does DART stand for, anyway?

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Q. Name the one class in the 1993 Spring Semester DART Book you are just dying to take.

A. "Understanding Museums", offered at 4:15 on Thursdays. Here's why I want to know: I'm tired of having to take courses at the Museum! What's there not to understand? You go to the door, you wander around speaking in hushed tones, you "Do Not Touch" the displays. Who's having problems with this?

Q. You would definitely get an A in this course, Mary Beth. Why didn't you try it?

A. Too bad it conflicts with another course of choice, "Road Vehicle Dynamics."
Playwrights’ work comes alive
By SARAH CORKREAN

Writing for the stage is a time consuming task that demands continuous editing, a skill that many writers never master.

In an effort to help the writer revise by offering feedback, three Saint Mary’s College students’ plays, written for Ramona Morris’ play writing class last spring, were selected as a sampling of the most stageworthy to be performed at a reading last night in the Moreau Little Theatre.

Under the direction of Mike Morris, the plays of Caitlin Hanrahan, Tiffany Bowman, and Katie Brown were performed by student actors with minimal rehearsal and little or no scenic elements.

Hanrahan’s play “Better Late Than Never” focused on the issue of young love and sexual pressures. Bowman’s play “Once Upon A Street Corner” focused on young teens dealing with physical abuse and the courage to seek help. Brown’s play “An Elevated Affair” featured a corporate businesswoman confronted in an elevator by his wife about an affair he had with another woman.

“This provided a great opportunity for us playwrights to see our plays put on with real actors. By seeing my ideas come to life and viewing first-hand what works and doesn’t in action, I can revise and possibly enter the play in contests,” said junior Katie Brown.

The plays will be performed again tonight at 8 p.m. at Moreau Little Theatre. There will be a short discussion period following the performance to collect audience feedback.

SACC reconsiders teacher evaluations
By SASKIA SIDENFADEN

Members of the Student Academic Council Committee (SACC) are taking significant steps toward improving student-faculty relations and improving the accuracy of Teacher Course Evaluation (TCE) forms.

In an effort to establish meaningful contact with our students, Barbara Walvoord, director of the Kanek Center for Teaching and Learning, is attempting to gain direct student input and commentary via student organizations like SACC. Addressing a topic of concern to all students, the group, chaired by Brendan Kelly, had many suggestions and criticisms on current policies, including professor office hours, open-door policy, direct links to friendly student-teacher interaction.

Walvoord addressed the problem of common abuses of professor office hours, claiming that "accessibility is really important" to student development. Unfortunately, according to Walvoord, professors are seldom held accountable for keeping their office hours. "In my opinion, we should be at our office hours." Sometimes, "It’s not fair," Kelly further suggested that professors accommodate students in more casual situations in an effort to develop student-faculty relations on a more personal basis.

Similarly, an open-door policy was suggested to encourage student communication with professors. Member Theresa Sullivan admitted, "Deoxy Hall can be intimidating because the doors are always shut." Other members agreed that "you only ever go when you have a crisis." Whether it be to address the effectiveness of the TCEs, their uses, and their role in evaluating individual professor performance. Questions focus on subjects such as course content, teaching methods, and work load, including a space for general student comments.

"How should we slice the data so that it is most useful?" was the question posed by Walvoord to SACC members.

Kelly suggested including a male-female identifier on the bubble forms to distinguish student gender for more detailed evaluation. Walvoord agreed and suggested that the forms could be "factor into evaluating student responses."

Other members mentioned that issuing the TCEs at the end of the course is very ineffective. "By the end of the semester, the damage is done and students just want to get out of class early," Kelly said. Sullivan suggested administering the forms at a different time or having each teacher make up an individual TCE. "I had a teacher that handed out his own TCE," Sullivan said. "He took the time to make his own and he asked some pretty tough questions asking us to scrutinize him really hard." Tactics such as these, Walvoord agreed, would enhance the accuracy of the TCEs.

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Professor G. Robert Blakey, the W. and D. O'Neill Chair at the Law School, voiced his support of Malloy's decision and initiated debate over the wording of the resolution, which included a statement that read: "If it further resolved that a president who makes such decisions does not deserve the confidence of his faculty.

"I struggle with the wording of the resolution," said markering Professor Joel Urbany. Blakey and Urbany both questioned the strength and appropriateness of the original wording.

The final version of that clause reads: "It further resolved that a president who makes such decisions seriously erodes the confidence that a faculty ought to have in a president."

The resolution states that Malloy's decision to hire the theology professor harms the University as a whole "by undermining the well-established and beneficial model of rational collaboration that exists between a departmental faculty and the University's administration regarding the hiring decisions."

Other concerns were raised by Blakey regarding the references to the decision by Malloy and its effect on the University as a whole. "This is a matter of internal politics and not a matter of the Senate," said Blakey. Blakey also questioned the openness of the theology department hiring committee. He said that the hiring by Malloy opened up the formerly closed character of the theology department's hiring.

In response, Porter pointed out that the hired professor's personal qualities and credentials were never called into question when the issue was raised with the Faculty Senate. "We haven't spoken to the qualifications of the candidate [in the Senate]," said Porter, reiterating that the resolution targeted the procedure Malloy followed. In stark contrast to the deliberations over the resolution disagreeing with Malloy's actions, the Senate passed a resolution denouncing the administration's denial of a peaceful demonstration earlier this semester, quickly and without any debate.

Particularly, on Oct. 20, Assistant Vice-President for Residence Life William Kirk denied the application submitted by the College Democrats for a peaceful demonstration celebrating National Coming Out Day. Kirk opposed the demonstration because he felt it violated the Student handbook replete with rules and regulations on student life and behavior. The resolution passed by Faculty Senate follows a similar resolution approved earlier in the semester by Student Senate.

University Provost Nathan Hatch will address the Faculty Senate on Jan. 11 in the Center for Continuing Education auditorium. A full record of both resolutions passed by the Senate, in addition to the minutes from last night's meeting, will be available within the next two weeks on the Faculty Senate internet home page.

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stay another semester. "It is not clear until the last minute who will be finishing," according to Marcy. Regardless of when in the academic year a student graduates, the feelings stay the same. Nostalgia, relief, and concern are common feelings shared among all seniors.

As Doms commented, "I just wonder what I am going to do and feel when I walk out of that last final."

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"where what's new is probably old"
SMC justice series focuses on community
By SARAH COURKREAN
News Writer
Volunteers are needed year-round, not just during the holidays, expressed Center for the Homeless volunteers during the third installation of the Saint Mary's College Justice Education series.
A panel presentation, "Repairing the Fabric of Community," explored ways in which the South Bend Center for the Homeless creates community while working to provide services which assist homeless residents.
Sister Marilyn Zuglough, who is completing research at the center, and Chris Beckman, a Saint Mary's junior who works at the center, discussed the involvement and impact of the South Bend community on the center.
The Notre Dame and Saint Mary's communities are not the only ones that come together at the center throughout the school year. Other community groups that volunteer time and money include the South Bend School District, which offers tutoring services for children, and Marriott and Burger King, which offer job opportunities for residents.
The shelter started out as an overnight house and has grown as more rooms, education, nutrition and job training classes become available. The center now has rooms and facilities to house 140 residents a night. Seventy percent of the residents are from St. Joseph's County.
The center's mission is to bring together disparate groups in society so that each can discover the dignity, worth and God-given potential of the other. Beckman called attention to a need for more housing for families of single fathers with children.
"It breaks your heart to tell families we have no room. The children are starving for the attention and love that the center is able to provide. We offer so much support for kids by just hugging them while their parents seek the opportunities the center provides to move toward self-sufficiency and into their own housing," said Beckman.
Beckman discussed her concern for transportation to the center for Saint Mary's students as the number of volunteers increases.
"I take care loads of Saint Mary's volunteers to the center and not everyone can always fit in the car. Saint Mary's needs some form of transportation for those students who want to help out in the community," said Beckman.
Zuglough and Beckman both expressed their enthusiasm with the staff and in their spiritual experience each day with hope when a new face walks in the door searching for help.
"(The center) is a place where you can laugh, cry and sit down and talk and feel safe. I start each day with hope when a new face walks in the door searching for help," said Zuglough.
SLF seeks donations for authors
By SEAN SMITH
News Writer
The 30th annual Sophomore Literary Festival (SLF) needs more financial resources. Stephanie Thomas, SLF's fundraising chairperson, spoke before the Hall Presidents Council and asked each dorm to donate as much money as possible to support the festival.
The projects and the five authors, all of whose expenses must be paid by SLF, are: according to Thomas, one author can cost up to $30,000 a night -- an amount of money well exceed the entire SLF budget.
The deadline for donations is Dec. 16. Dorms, clubs, or other parties interested in donating money to the festival must contact Thomas by this date.
In addition, SLF's financial budget for this year was disclosed. Part of the $22,000, has already been set aside for special projects and hall allocations. Such projects include the well-known Mr. Stanford contest and the Cavanaugh Karaoke. After reporting the council's financial situation, Treasurer Lee Hambricht advised the dorm presidents. "We'll give you tons of money. Just organize stuff!
A campus-wide clothing drive will be held on Dec. 12. Representatives from each dorm will visit rooms asking for any unwanted clothing for donation.
On Dec. 13 in the LaFortune Student Center, Student Activities is sponsoring a Christmas Movie Night, featuring holiday films that include "When the Grinch Stole Christmas."

Carter's target U.S. sweatshops
By MICHAEL LEWIS
News Writer
While illegal in the U.S., sweatshops or workplaces that ignore established workers' rights standards exist in surprising numbers in several of the nation's major centers of industrial production.
"You can support the good guys or the bad guys," Iona Carter said, referring to unfair employers as the "bad guys" and characterizing herself, her husband and unions as the "good guys." She and her husband travel to different schools and sites in the U.S. presenting their findings and suggesting possible ways to counter illegal labor practices.
In New York, 2,000 of 6,000 clothing manufacturing facilities are sweatshops, according to Pat Cronin. Cronin, the Midwest director of organizing for the Union of Needletrades, Industrial and Textile Employees (UNITE), joined John and Iona Carter, and Kathleen Maas Weigert, the assistant director of academic affairs and research at the Center for Social Concerns (CSC), in a presentation on sweatshops on Nov. 26 at the CSC.
One company that Cronin cited as an example of poor labor practices was the Los Angeles-based Guess Inc. According to Cronin, the company underpays workers, does not pay overtime, forces laborers to take their work home with them, requires 10-12 hour work days, and conducts fixed inspections of workplaces in order to appear legitimate.
New Mexico, El Paso, and several other major cities have problems similar to those in New York and Los Angeles, according to Cronin. He also said there are hundreds of sweatshops just across the southern border in Mexico, where unions are discouraged, and the government silences or abducts union sympathizers.
Cronin encourages student involvement in an effort to eliminate sweatshop conditions. He said phone calls, letter writing, conversations with salespeople, campus-wide activities, and boycotts directed toward companies that violate labor laws would greatly advance the cause.
John Carter said purchasing alternative products and selecting clothes that have a union label would help as well. Buying from unionized American manufacturers supports proper labor practices and the U.S. economy, he said. The Carters spend most of their energy working on this project, and envision increased efficacy for their activities if college students become active.

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**HONOLULU**

A judge on Tuesday barred Hawaii from denying marriage licenses to gay couples in a case that has already led Congress to refuse to recognize such unions.

The ruling is certain to be appealed.

Kirk Cashmere, an attorney for three homosexual couples who sued the state, said Circuit Judge Kevin Chang "in a nutshell ruled that the state's decision to give marriage licenses to gay couples was a 'slap in the face of society's wishes.'"

Cashmere said the state failed to show any compelling state interest to deny gay and lesbian couples the right to marry, Cashmere said.

Copies of Chang's ruling were to be distributed later Tuesday.

A spokeswoman for the conservative Family Research Council said the ruling defines the wishes of the majority. Polls say 70 percent of Hawaii's residents oppose same-sex marriages.

"This ruling is a slap in the face of the Hawaiian people who have made it clear that they don't want liberal judges tampering with society's foundational institutions," Kristi Stone Hamrick said.

The gay men and two lesbian couples sued in 1991 for the right to marry, to the dismay of some national gay rights organizations that felt the move was premature and would provoke a backlash.

It certainly prompted furious debate in the State Legislature, lawmakers failed to agree this year on either a proposed constitutional amendment to ban them, or a proposed new civil union law that would give gay and lesbian couples many of the legal and financial benefits of married couples.

Congress, meanwhile, approved a law President Clinton signed in September, saying the federal government will not recognize gay marriages and allowing states to refuse to recognize such marriages licensed in other states.

An appeal of Chang's ruling would send the case back to the Hawaii Supreme Court, which ruled in 1993 that denial of marriage licenses to same-sex couples amounted to gender discrimination under the state constitution's Equal Rights Amendment.

The state Supreme Court sent the case back to a lower court to give the state a chance to show a compelling public interest in allowing gay marriage.

In a two-week trial in September, Deputy State Attorney General Rick Eichor argued that Hawaii's marriage law is intended to promote the best environment for the procreation and rearing of children.

He said children thrive best when raised by biological parents.

The attorney for the plaintiffs, Marlene A. Chang's, said the ruling defies logic and is a slap in the face of society's wishes. "This is unconstitutional," Eichor said.

A spokesperson for the Attorney General Rick Eichor, said the ruling is a slap in the face of society's wishes. "I'm happy with the ruling," Eichor said.

"We are pleased with the decision," Eichor said.

"In favor of student stipends because the NCAA has rules about jobs—what jobs we can hold and when," Gandy said. "Right now they only allow us to have jobs during the summer. Athletes have a lot of money to their schools, so I don't think that would hurt to give them a little extra spending money in return.

While recent protests by athletes and others have prompted current NCAA executive director Cedric Dempsey to appoint a special committee that will explore the financial situations of needy student athletes, many coaches and athletic administrators remain unenthusiastic about the idea of giving periodic payments to student athletes.

According to Michael Wadsworth, Notre Dame's athletic director, offering athletes a pay-for-play stipend could cause serious administrative problems at Notre Dame and other Division I universities. Further among Wadsworth's concerns is the question of which student athletes would be eligible for the stipend.

"Only 2 of 25 varsity athletic programs at Notre Dame generate more than revenue," Wadsworth said. "Should we only pay the student athletes in 2 of those 25 programs? I don't think that would be fair.

"The student athletes who participate in the revenue-generating programs don't necessarily work harder or have greater athletic ability than the student athletes in the other 23 programs," Wadsworth added. "Because of that, I would be very concerned about increasing their pay to pay-for-play system and of not giving them at this or any other university.

John MacLeod, Notre Dame's head basketball coach, largely agrees with Wadsworth.

"The problem comes in with the question of who gets the stipend," MacLeod said. "Do you pay the stipend to every student athlete, or just football and basketball players? Do you pay it to partial scholarship athletes, or just full scholarship athletes? That's where the problem is.

Wadsworth also pointed out that athletic departments at many colleges and universities wouldn't be able to carry the financial burden of having to provide additional funds for their athletes.

"Not all Division I athletic programs are as financially secure as the athletic department at Notre Dame," Wadsworth said. "At other universities, paying students might cause athletic departments to have to drop some programs, creating fewer opportunities for student athletes instead of more opportunities."

Derek Manner, the starting small forward on the men's basketball team, feels that athletic departments might be able to meet the needs of student athletes through the use of low- or no-interest loans. "I don't want to say I oppose (student stipends), but at the same time I don't really favor the idea that athletes should be paid," Manner said. "However, the NCAA might look into doing a study on athletes' family incomes to see if some students might need a little extra money to meet the lifestyle demands of certain campuses, like Notre Dame. I'd be in favor of a proposal for interest loans to student athletes based on need. Just like financial aid.

Wadsworth was equally receptive to the idea of an alternative plan. "I think that there may be some way that we can try to evaluate the financial needs of student athletes without involving pay-for-play structure," Wadsworth said. "There may be some other way that we can help students with financial need attend college without having to bear the financial burden themselves—a way that doesn't involve direct pay-for-play."

Time magazine contributed to this report.

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Christmas quiz: put your Santa savvy to the test

By HUGH MULLIGAN
Associated Press

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THE QUESTIONS:

1. What were the first names of Scrooge and Marley?
2. How many Magi or Wise Men came to Bethlehem?
3. What prompted the Magi to choose another way home?
4. Which Old Testament prophet predicted great happenings in tiny Bethlehem?
5. Who wrote the words to the carol "Silent Night"?
6. When is the feast day of St. Nicholas?
8. Father Joseph Mohr, the parish priest in the little Austrian village where the mire had eaten the bellows of the church organ.
9. "The Head."
10. Winston Churchill.
11. Caravaggio's "Nativity," one of the master's last works, painted in 1669, the year before he died.
12. If sung properly as a roundelay, with each day's gift new folowed by a repetition of all the previous gifts, the answer is "a partridge in a pear tree."
15. Which movie has had the most TV runs during the holiday season?
16. The answer is "a partridge in a pear tree."
17. Who played Capra's "It's a Wonderful Life."
18. Bing Crosby and Danny Kaye.
19. "White Christmas."
20. Sherlock Holmes, Ellery Queen, Benedict B.C. Holmes, Ellery Queen, Sherlock Holmes, Nero Wolfe, Inspector Maigret and many other fictional sleuths have solved Christmas crimes. What is today's best-selling mystery novelist Mary Higgins Clark's contribution to the genre.

THE ANSWERS:

1. Ebenezer and Jacob.
2. St. Matthew, who tells of their visit in his Gospel, did not specify how many. In early Christian times their number varied from two to six. A 4th century fresco at the Catacombs, Rome, depicts four. By the 6th century, tradition settled on three. Any number from 2 to 6 is acceptable.
3. Matthew's Gospel the Magi were "warned in a dream" to return to Herod, who sought to kill the child, so "they departed into their own country." (Matthew 2:12)
4. Micah, an eighth-century Hebrew prophet, prophesied: "But thou Bethlehem Ephratah, though thou be little among the thousands of Judah, yet out of thee shall come forth unto me one who is to be ruler of Israel, whose origin is from the beginning, from the days of eternity." (Micah 5:2).
5. In the center of the little Austrian village where the mire had eaten the bellows of the church organ.
6. Dec. 6 is the feast of St. Nicholas, the original Santa Claus.
7. Christmas pudding.
8. Anne Marie Robinson, better known as Grandma Moses.
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Award one point for each correct answer. Then divide your holiday IQ via this scoring scale:

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6 to 10 - Down the chimney with a parrot.
1 to 5 - Meldown time for Frosty the Snowman.
0 - Goose eggs are more traditional at Easter.

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As I sit here munching on cold turkey and the last slice of Mum’s apple pie, I am reminded by the robust roundness of my post-Thanksgiving belly that the season of gluttony and cupidity is just beginning.

While I mourn the passing of Thursday’s feast, I take solace in the knowledge that there’s plenty more where that came from. So wipe that last crumb of stuffing from your mouth and forget about that giving thanks stuff — it’s time to open up those stockings and giving;

"Christmas son of gluttony and cupidity is just Thursday’s feast," I might be asking a bit wide aphrodisiac. And finally, 8) for sales. Perhaps you’ll see someone invite a lonely stranger into their house for Christmas dinner or someone working in a soup kitchen on Christmas eve. Maybe you’ll get a card from an old friend that says more than “Merry Christmas, Love, X” or maybe you’ll get a gift from the person that you love, a gift that you’ll never use, and you’ll think it’s the greatest thing anyone ever gave you. Maybe then you will remember something about Christmas that is very easy to forget.

But that’s a big maybe — in the mean time, let’s roast up a couple turtle doves and a few French hens and drink egg nog till it tastes like champagne. ‘Tis the season for elves and reindeer and twinkling blue lights on plastic green trees and kids who can’t sleep because visions of “Gimme!” dance through their heads. The endless lies, the gaudy pies, the Christmas whines, the “hands off, it’s mine’s!” Sounds like a lover is born to me.

— Ralph Waldo Emerson

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As much as we love gaudy, we hate God-y. We don’t like to be reminded that religion might be involved in our Christmas fun so we have conveniently taken God out of Christmas and replaced Him with such divinities as Frosty and a fat, bearded philanthropist.

We’ve opted for “Grandma Got Run Over by a Reindeer” instead of “Silent Night,” and the three wise men this Christmas are the Grinch, Heatmizer, and whoever found their kid a Nintendo 64. And if you don’t like it, too bad. Go ahead, tell me Jesus is the reason for the season, and I’ll tell you to explain that to the store owner at UP Mall with money falling out of his pockets and the home­less guy getting kicked out of the mall because he offers the shoppers.

You may choose to lament this commercializing of Christmas spirit, but I choose to revel in it. What a glorious season!

Don’t waste December in want of the old white Christmas with the carolers and the nativity set — go out to the mall and witness the magnificence of music mall tramps each year, I spend their money on useless gifts for people they don’t like; witness the laughable insolvency of Christmas cards sent by the bundle; experience hot, sweaty masses packed with people passing out and others wondering why they even bother coming once a year; hide as relatives invade your home to compete in a round of Christmas Family Feud while they bombard you with pinches and kisses and Christmas sweaters that are always too small. Joy on Earth! Christmas time is here again!

And we all know Christmas is more than a holiday — it’s a game, a competition for victory in the Christmas category of “lost gifts” (gifts gotten minus gifts given). Sure, giving is great and all that, but have you ever gotten so much satisfaction from buying someone else a new J Crew sweater as you have from getting one? Sing along! ‘Tis the season to be greedy, gimme, gimme, gimme, more, more, more! It’s time to cash in for a year of good behavior, time for young kids to collect on all those parental bribes and threats of coal. It’s time for getting, and I want a helluva lot more than my two front teeth this Christmas.

For those of you generous souls who like to give just for the sake of giving (ha ha, suckers!), I thought I would enclose my own personal Christmas wish list. I mean wish, list. And contrary to popular opinion, I’ve been a very good boy this year.

I want: 1) The Main Building — so that my roommates and I can move in and turn it into a 24 hour house of debauch­ery. 2) For S.E. Oross to send me a bottle of good Scotch. 3) For S.E. Oross to come over and drink it with me. 4) Three copies of The Rule to give the girls that sent letters to the editor slamming me for my dating column. 5) For college to last four more years. 6) For a decent college bar to open up in South Bend (preferably in my backyard). 7) For red hair to become a campus­wide aphrodisiac. And finally, 8) for peace, joy, and happiness for all humankind (or at least for myself and the people I like). I might be asking a bit much from old Santa — I’ll settle for the Main Building.

Percibance in the midst of all the holiday hoopla you might be reminded that Christmas has “Christ” as a prefix for a reason — that holiday means holy day and Christmas was not created by Macy’s and Hallmark to boost winter sales. Perhaps you’ll see someone invite a lonely stranger into their house for Christmas dinner or someone working in a soup kitchen on Christmas eve. Maybe you’ll get a card from an old friend that says more than “Merry Christmas, Love, X” or maybe you’ll get a gift from the person that you love, a gift that you’ll never use, and you’ll think it’s the greatest thing anyone ever gave you. Maybe then you will remember something about Christmas that is very easy to forget.

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ACCENT SPEAKS

Merry Christmas
(Oh, and Happy Hanukkah too)

By MEGAN FERSTENFELD
Access Copy Editor

Every year, Thanksgiving comes to pass with relative tranquillity. We are all asleep with our bellies happily satisfied from stuffing and pumpkin pie, something strange happens. As if by magic, the world seems to turn overnight into an all-out Christmas extravaganza. Storefront windows display gifts and Christmas lights. The radio stations also display lights, and children and adults alike wonder who received the most presents this holiday season. Here comes Hanukkah through Adam Sandier's 'Hanukkah Song'.

"Here comes Hanukkah
So much fun

To celebrate Hanukkah
Hanukkah is the Festival of Lights for Jews of any age. We have eight crazy nights!"

It's sad, but it's true. Aside from a holiday here and there, Christmas so successfully monopolizes the market and the media that one tends to forget about the other religious holidays that coincide with it. For example, local television newscasts will run a five-minute feature on the length of the lines to see Santa Claus and then out of nowhere interest in a picture of a Jewish family lighting the menorah. The radio stations follow suit in that they are so generous as to reserve a second to say, "Happy Hanukkah!" at the end of a long string of Christmas music. Oh, and don't forget how all those 'cheap-o' catalogs that sell Christian trinkets try to be PC by adding a small dreidel to the lower left corner of the page.

Of course, if you live in Brooklyn or Chicago, you may see a few Christmas lights and menorahs in your neighborhood, still, on the average, Hanukkah all but disappears.

Not only fought well, but actually defeated the Syrians. This first Hanukkah miracle is followed by a second. A small jar of oil was discovered in the temple, which was used for lighting the sacred Jewish temple. According to the story, the oil was aged and made unclear by the enemy during the war. While this jar contained only enough oil to burn for one night, the flame inexplicably persisted for eight.

The significance of the Hanukkah story may reflect the perseverance of the persecuted Jewish people. It may serve as a reminder that God continually watches his children. Perhaps a concrete interpretation just isn't the point of the tale.

Orthodox congregations may tend to interpret accounts of this historical event literally and completely, while Reformed sects might interpret accounts of this event for strength and inspiration.

This Thursday evening, millions of people will be hap­py on front lawns each December, most despite plastic Santas sitting on garages. Perhaps Hanukkah will help us remember the true meaning of Christmas.

Unfortunately, Hanukkah slowly has become "Christmas: The Jewish Version." The creation of Hanukkah by Harry certainly was intended as a twist on Santa Claus, and the Hanukkah Bush covered with blue and silver balls plays a strange counterpart to a Christmas tree. Perhaps Hanukkah fell victim to commercialism not long after Christmas did, but it is unfortunate that, in this country, it will forever remain in the shadow of its Christian partner.

While Christmas and Hanukkah celebrate very different events, the commonalities they share extend far beyond anything found in a shopping mall. Both acknowledge hope, and recognize the importance and rewards of faith for a people. Light is central and symbolic for both, as well.

After all of the lattes and fruitcakes have been eaten this holiday season, wondering who received the most presents or commercial air time won't matter. The spirit of excitement, family, and religion will be celebrated by all, just in time for New Year's.

Accent would like to thank Rabbi Kram and his son Josh for insight helpful in the writing of this article.
Florida bruisied for title game

By DOUG FERGUSON
Associated Press

GAINESVILLE, Fla. — Donnie Young went hunting to get his mind off the loss and escape the telephone calls reminding him of Florida's doomed season.

Finally, a vacation went to the training room to treat his knees, only to find he was injured while kicking the air in disgust after missing a 41-yard field goal that would have given the Gators a 17-17 tie against Florida State.

He was joined there by Danny Wuerffel, who violated a team rule against drinking when酒精 arrives.

Neither had been there all year.

As the fourth-ranked Gators try to recover from their devastating 24-21 loss at Florida State, there is as much concern about their bruised bodies as their bruised egos.

"Something like that, I don't think we've got over it," in -backer James Bates said Tuesday. "And you shouldn't. In the locker room, you shouldn't get over it at all. As a team. But something's that's going to fill our heads for the next few weeks. It's going to be on our mind the whole ball game this weekend."

In preparing for the Gators (10-1) lost to Florida State for the South Carolina game before the Gators (10-1) lost to Florida State for the first time in the nation.

They are bruisers.

"They get you for this game," Spurrier said. "They get your name on the record books forever. This is a game that goes down in history.

They might want to check the injury log first.

Wuerffel took the worst beating of his career, although he was able to limp up after every big hit and keep the Gators in the game. Still, one can only wonder how his body will respond in one week.

"I think I've been this year, probably," Wuerffel said.

But little, who has caught 44 passes for 826 yards and nine touchdowns, hobbled to the training room on crutches.

Defensive end Willie Rodgers hurt both legs and probably won't play Saturday.

But Spurrier believes the Gators will be able to bounce back physically and emotionally.

"All you can do is put the best players you've got out there, coach up the best that can go play," he said. "You can worry about anything except putting your best team in and having it be the best plan. The conference championship is on the line.

The one last week is history."

Still, the Gators have not had a bye since then. They are earlier this season, when they were hurting left and right. Then, center Jeff Mitchell injured an ankle against Georgia and got his season to left, and tackle Zach Piller went down the next week.

What ensued was a scare by Vanderlinden, a sloppy win over Arkansas and a loss to the Florida State. The Gators will try to recover against Alabama (9-2), a team that has given them their biggest rivals a game that most certainly took them out of the national championship.

Florida will be going for its fourth straight SEC title and is making its fifth straight appearance in the title game.

And the Gators have a history of producing emotional games against Florida State, a game played before any conference championship.

Two years ago, Florida blew a 31-3 lead in the fourth quarter when the Seminoles scored 21 straight points to win.

The next tie, the Gators rallied to beat undefeated Alabama, 24-23.

The true test of a team is when they bounce back from adversity," said Young, who may move from guard to tackle to shore up a weak pass rush. "Hopefully, we'll be able to show that we have some oomph to us, that we'll play the very best we can.

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A victory Saturday would put him one away from Florida's record (49 sacks for 383 yards)

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limited experience in the setter slot.

"We were a little bummed after Carey got hurt and the two losses over the weekend," Ervin noted. "But it was encouraging to see that Lauren stepped in and did a great job. So, it was good to see that we could play without Carey even though we really miss her being out." In Monday’s practice May was limited to setting but did very well according to Brown. "We didn’t want her to block or serve yet and she said that she felt some pain but it was something she could play through. We’re hoping that she is going to be able to play." Hofstra comes into conference play with a 19-16 mark and earned the last slot in the region with an America East Conference championship and qualified for the tournament with a triumph over the University of Maryland. Hofstra has been a consistent force for the past two seasons of NCAA play-in game. So, the Irish will look to be in action Sunday as well.

"As best we can figure we would equate them with several teams in the Big East," commented Brown whose squad is undefeated in two seasons of Big East play. "So, we kind of know what we’re up against and if we play like we did in the conference we anticipate we should beat them."

"I think we got a good bid in the tournament after a somehow disappointing season," Ervin said. "It’s like a whole new season so everybody is really refreshed and excited for this.”

Joining Ervin in Notre Dame’s tournament run will be a host of players with experience. Senior captain Jenny Birkner has been a consistent force for the past two seasons of NCAA play-in game. So, the Irish will look to be in action Sunday as well.

"They definitely realize the magnitude of it and realize that it’s a new season and that every match is critical," Brown said of her experienced unit. "I think we have a group that’s been able to rise to the occasion in the past and I think that’s what we’re anticipating is going to happen in this tournament."

"I think that’s very important mainly because the experience we have on the floor carries a lot of weight during a game especially when other teams may lack that experience," Ervin noted.

If the Irish can slip by Hofstra they will need every bit of that experience to put together a win over the twelfth ranked Ohio State Buckeyes on Sunday for a trip to the Regional which will likely be held at the home of the top seed, University of Florida Gators.

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Notre Dame will need strong play at the net if they hope to advance through the NCAA tournament. Terps name new head coach

By DAVID GINSBURG Associated Press

Ron Vanderlinden, who helped turn around struggling football programs at Colorado and Northwestern, has been hired to do the same thing at the University of Maryland.

Vanderlinden, the defensive coordinator at Northwestern since 1992, will be introduced as the Terrapins new head coach at a news conference Wednesday. athletic director Debbie Yow told The Associated Press on Tuesday. He succeeds Mark Duffner, who resigned to become coach at Maryland and had a 20-35 record at Maryland.

Vanderlinden, 40, received a five-year contract with an annual base salary of $130,000. Yow had planned to interview several candidates. But she focused her attention on signing Vanderlinden after he reiterated his interest in the job.

"Ron was our No. 1 candidate. He called Sunday night and we spoke at great length Monday," Yow said. "He clearly was our top choice, and I was happy and pleased once we got into serious discussions."

Northwestern won the Big Ten title and went to the Rose Bowl in 1995. With Vanderlinden as defensive coordinator, Northwestern led the nation in scoring defense last year.

Vanderlinden followed coach Gary Barnett to Northwestern from Colorado, where Vanderlinden had spent nine seasons.

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The Joe Moore situation is a little more nebulous. The 64-year-old Moore, who recently completed his ninth season as the Irish offensive line coach, was unavailable for comment last night, and players and coaches alike declined comment on his status.

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By RICK GANO
Associated Press

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Duncan leads Wake over Bulldogs

By RICK GANO
Associated Press

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Simon named to junior squad

Observer Staff Report

Notre Dame freshman forward Ben Simon (Shaker Heights, Ohio) has been named to the 1997 United States junior national hockey team, which will compete in the '97 World Junior Championships, to be held Dec. 26-Jan. 4 in Geneva and Morges, Switzerland.

Simon is one of just 15 current collegiate players named to the junior national team and is one of only three players from a Central Collegiate Hockey Association team to be named to the 22-player junior national squad, joining Lake Superior State forward Jason Sessa and Michigan State forward Mike York. Simon and York will face each other in the first game of the tournament, when the Irish travel to East Lansing to take on the Spartans.

In preparation for the world junior championships, the U.S. junior team will participate in an eight-day training and competition camp from Dec. 17-24, to be held in Fussen, Germany. The camp will include a two-day mini-tournament, held Dec. 21-22, featuring national junior teams from Germany, Slovakia, Sweden and the U.S.

In addition to Sessa and York, five other members of the junior national team play for teams on Notre Dame's 1996 schedule, including two players from St. Cloud State—defenseman Josh DeWolf and forward Mark Parrish—and a trio of forwards from Boston College—Blake Bellefeuille, Jeff Parkas and Marty Reasoner.

The roster features 10 returnees from the 1996 U.S. junior national team, which won three of its final four games to post a 5-3-2 record and finish fifth at the '96 world junior championships, which were held in Massachusetts.

"This team features many players with experience at this level of competition," said Jeff Jackson, USA Hockey national coach and the former head coach at Lake Superior. "We look for strong leadership and hard work to provide our country with a good showing. Collectively, this team is very good."

Jackson's assistant coaches include Greg Cronin, the interim head coach at the University of Maine, and Mel Pearson, the current assistant at the University of Michigan.

Simon has played in all 13 games for Notre Dame this season, recording four assists, including a three-assist effort in the 7-5 comeback victory at then-No. 3 Bowling Green. Prior to joining the Irish, Simon racked up 342 points (166 goals, 176 assists) during his prep career, which included three seasons with the Shaker Heights High School team and one with the Cleveland Barons.

Simon has spent the past three summers playing in foreign countries with various U.S. national teams. He played in Japan with the U.S. select-17 team before competing with the U.S. junior national team in Camprose, Canada, during the summer of '95. Simon spent last summer training in Finland with the U.S. world junior national team.

While with the Cleveland Barons last season, Simon was his league's third-leading scorer after totaling 45 goals and 46 assists in 50 games.

Simon's commitments with the junior national team will force him to miss a pair of Notre Dame non-conference games at Princeton (Dec. 28-29) and a CCHA home game vs. Miami University (Jan. 3).

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Lidge to try out for U.S. national team

Observer Staff Report

Notre Dame sophomore right-handed pitcher Brad Lidge has been invited to participate in the 1997 USA Baseball national team trials, to be held January 8-12 in Tampa, Fla. Lidge is among 66 amateur players who have been invited to assemble at Tampa's Legends Field, the spring training home of the World Series champion New York Yankees. The trials will serve as the first step in USA Baseball's evaluation and development process.

Participating players will be eligible for the 1997 USA baseball team, which will compete in the International Cup, to be held August 1-10 in Barcelona, Spain. In addition to its international competition schedule, the USA baseball team will play a domestic tour schedule in the summer of 1997, visiting several U.S. cities, while playing international baseball powers such as Cuba, Nicaragua, Korea, and Australia. The 1997 squad will be led by Bob Milano, the current head baseball coach at the University of California.

The players will be broken into three 22-man teams and the USA baseball staff will conduct player skills testing on January 9 (the session will be open to major league scouts). Two games will be played each day, from Jan. 10-12, following morning workouts.

Lidge is one of two players from the Big East Conference among the 66 invitees, joining Rutgers sophomore outfielder Adam Neubert. Lidge and Purdue sophomore right-handed pitcher Andrew Helmer are the only players invited to the national trials, who play collegiately in the state of Indiana.

Lidge—who was drafted in the 42nd round by the San Francisco Giants after graduating from Cherry Creek High School—appeared in seven games last season on the deep Irish pitching staff, going 1-0-1 while posting a 5.40 ERA.
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2. Brother's keeper? (4)
10. Chase flies (4)
14. Fountain choice (5)
15. Hotelier, Metresley (6)
16. Not well (5)
17. Nalta lighter (4)
19. Fud (5)
20. Uneven (5)
23. Gets the better of (5)
26. Madrid Mrs. (5)
27. Like an old record (5)
31. Blond shade (6)

DOWN
1. Throated (8)
3. Greenstreet coho in "The Maltese Falcon" (6)
4. Removed (7)
5. Disrespects (6)
6. Gran Paradiso, e.g. (8)
7. Summers, in a way (8)
8. Off (switch choice) (10)
9. Rip to shreds (10)
11. "The American Language" author (6)
12. Ex-Sen. (5)
13. "Peer ..." (8)
14. Kind of party (6)
15. Lupino of film (5)
24. Bile (5)
27. Power source for Fulton (5)
28. Scoil, for one (6)
29. Sun. (5)
30. Wine label info (6)
31. Drop (5)

34. One place to find Franklin (9)
36. Ball (arcade game) (5)
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VOLLEYBALL

Notre Dame makes fifth straight NCAA appearance

By JOE NAVATO
Sports Writer

For a team that has been hindered with numerous injuries, and has underachieved with just a 5-10 out of conference mark, a second season wipes the record clean. For the Notre Dame volleyball team, this second season comes in the form of the NCAA Tournament and it has already gotten off on the right foot as they received a favorable bid.

This past Sunday the Irish learned that they were given the fifth seed in their 12-team Central Region. A top-notch schedule aided the team’s seeding as eleven schools on their schedule made the 48 team field. The bid marks the fifth straight appearance in the tournament for Debbie Brown’s squad. (Notre Dame is only one of four schools which saw its teams in women’s soccer, men’s soccer and volleyball all advance to the NCAA’s this season with the others being Maryland, Maryland and Washington.)

The fiveọcliff rally hosting a first round match against Hofstra tonight at 7 p.m. and the possibility of hosting a second round match. The winner of tonight’s contest will host the fourth seed Ohio State on Sunday due to faculty conflicts in Berkeley.

“I don’t think it could have been any better for us,” commented Brown. “We did not anticipate that we would be able to play at home in the second round as well. At this time of the year the home court advantage is really important, we can get a lot more rest, and we don’t have to worry about travel.”

Senior hitter and backrow specialist Kristina Ervin echoed Brown’s sentiment. “We’re very excited when we found out we were hosting the first and second rounds. Also, the fact that we will play Hofstra is exciting because we know we can beat them.”

The squad is coming off a tough weekend in which they failed to win a game as Washington State and Pacific swept the Irish setters. Adding to the dismay was a dislocated finger on the hand of setter Carey May who had to sit out this weekend but is hoping to be available for tonight’s content. Filling in nicely for May was freshman Lauren Stettin who has

FOOTBALL

Future uncertain for coaches

By DYLAN BARMMER
Associated Press Sport Editor

Transition continues to look anything but smooth for the Notre Dame football program, as widespread speculation has it that both offensive coordinator Dave Roberts and offensive line coach Joe Moore will not be returning to the Irish coaching staff for the 1997 season.

Roberts has been considered a strong candidate for a head coaching job since Lou Holtz announced his retirement a few weeks ago, with much of the speculation having him heading down South, where both his personal and coaching roots began.

Roberts, who turns 50 in February, grew up in Greenville, S.C., and joined the Irish staff two years ago over 10 seasons as a collegiate head coach, including a successful five-year stint at Division I-A power Northeast Louisiana, which Roberts guided to a fourth place ranking in the final I-AA poll in 1992.

Many sources felt that Roberts would leave the Irish after this season, citing him having taken a pay cut to remain on with the Irish and enjoy the tutelage of Holtz. Roberts, for his part, is not giving any answers. At least not yet.

“if you’re going to stay with Bob (Holtz), you have to make a four year commitment,” said Roberts when contacted last evening. “I’m looking at other opportunities right now, trying to see what will shake down.”

With a bevy of college coaching changes this season, the opportunities are indeed plentiful. There have been 20 head coaching changes in the Division I-A college football

WOMENS BASKETBALL

Gaither again named player of the week

Special to The Observer

Notre Dame senior center Katryna Gaither was named Big East Player of the Week for the second straight week Tuesday.

Gaither earned the honor after being named MVP of the past weekend’s Comfort Inn Downtown Classic tournament, where the Irish claimed the championship. In wins over Ohio and Georgia Tech, she averaged 29 points and 12.5 rebounds, including 12 rebounds in single-game school records of 40 points and 14 rebounds against Ohio. She recorded a career-high seven steals in 38 minutes of play. In the championship game, Gaither scored 18 points and grabbed 11 rebounds en route to her 28th career double-double and fourth of the season.

In 1986, Sports Illustrated named Roberts one of the top five recruiters in the country, and his presence at Notre Dame has enabled the Irish to sign Southern talent such as tailback Autry Denson and linebacker Lamont Bryant.

“i think he’s a good offensive mind, and he obviously knows how to call a game,” said Irish receiver Malcolm Johnson of Roberts. “I don’t know what his plans are, but he’s a valuable coach to any program.”

Current defensive coordinator and 1997 head football coach Bob Davie feels no differently.

“I want what’s best for Dave Roberts,” said Davie when contacted by phone. “I think he’s an excellent coach, and he deserves an opportunity to be a head coach. I’m just going to let Dave make things over, and wait

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