'I'VE GROWN AS A PERSON AND AS A PLAYER. THERE'S NO WAY I COULD HAVE DONE IT WITHOUT YOU, AND WITHOUT YOU I CERTAINLY WOULDN'T HAVE WANTED TO DO IT.'

- DERRICK MAYS

'His coaching style is like Larry from The Three Stooges — you're not sure what he's doing there, but it wouldn't be the same without him.'

- BARRY ALVAREZ

Players, coaches recall ‘The Holtz Years’

By DAN OCHALSKI

Associate News Editor

and HEATHER COCKS

Sports Editor

Seventeen roasters and roastees agree: former Notre Dame football coach Lou Holtz is never boring, sometimes wildly... and always short.

His diminutive frame supplied several speakers with ample material in their tributes to Holtz’s years at the University.

“Lou is known for his Adams body,” joked Dick Rosenthal, former athletic director of Notre Dame, “He’s the perfect specimen.”

Such humor defined the light-hearted mood of last evening’s “Roast the Coach,” which highlighted the achievements and good memories of Holtz’s tenure rather than the fact of his resignation.

“I focus on the joy and exhilaration, not on the leaving but the times I was here,” Holtz said.

“No place can be like Notre Dame.”

Derrick Mays, Tony Rice, and Jerry Faust were among those seated next to Holtz on stage. In addition, emcee Regis Philbin introduced video highlights from John Dockery and former player Corky Gillette, currently with the Chicago Bears.

President Clinton delivered the surprise video message of the evening, speaking as Holtz’s longtime friend about his contributions to the Notre Dame community.

“He has the ability to spur his teams, inspiring them to achieve more than athletic success,” Clinton said. As an example, the president added that Holtz graduated 100 percent of his eligible players from the 1988 national championship team, a feat unqualified by any other coach.

“If you ever get the urge to play,” Clinton added, “you’re always welcome to toss the ball around on the South Lawn. I’d enjoy the height and weight advantage.”

Philbin yielded the microphone to Rosenthal, who offered the first roast of the evening. “Lou is the consummate competitor,” he said.

“We are truly better in every way for having known him.”

Former Edmund Joyce, executive vice president of the University under Father Theodore Hesburgh, quoted a letter from an acquaintance which represented the sentiments of Notre Dame’s extensive “subway alumni” — fans who remain devoted to the Fighting Irish despite no actual ties to the University.

“Come next season, we’ll look up and see Lou’s spirit moving up and down, up and down... the Notre Dame sideline. It is his home, it always will be,” wrote Patrick Coyne, a New York cab driver.

“You still there, Lou?” asked Philbin, after hearing Coyne’s words. “For a minute there, I thought you’d passed away.”

Another surprise came when four strawberry milkshakes were delivered to Holtz fresh from McDonald’s. HisGrinning, he proceeded to poke straws into all four lids during Philbin’s introduction of the next roaster, University of Wisconsin head coach Barry Alvarez.

The former Notre Dame defensive coordinator delivered arguably the harshest roast of the night, ribbing jokes stemming from his days working under Holtz.

As Holtz greets his roasters, a video screen magnifies his image.

HALL PRESIDENTS’ COUNCIL

Council discusses new ID cards

By HEATHER MACKENZIE

News Writer

New identification cards for the Notre Dame student body will be available at the beginning of the fall semester, depending on the timely cooperation of a majority of the students.

Mike Ball, the project manager in charge of the implementation of the new system, addressed the Hall Presidents Council at last night’s meeting with hopes of making the transition to the system as easy as possible.

“Time is the critical issue,” Ball said. “The entire project has taken over four years to develop, hoping to identify the specific needs of this campus. Now it is merely a matter of making this happen.”

Ball emphasized that for the production of the cards to be completed in time for the start of the fall semester, the University would need to capture the images of a majority of the student body in a database by the end of this year. However, this poses a problem because the software required to record the student images will not be available until April 28.

“Budge stations need to be easily accessible to the majority of the student population in the least amount of time possible,” Ball told the council.

The recording process will take about one and a half minutes for the student to complete, and involves having the student picture and signature recorded on a computer’s database for the future production of an ID card. There will be five stations available on campus during a two-week period, in which Ball hopes that 70 to 80 percent of the student body will have their image captured.

“The information will be stored in a database and a card will be manufactured during the summer,” Ball said.

“We need to get this part of the production online when there is more time to work with.”

Ball’s committee is concerned with the placement of the stations, wanting them to be in places that are the most convenient for students, and looked to the Hall Presidents’ Council input.

“We first thought that the dining halls would be the best location for the new system,” Ball said. “But with finals approaching students may not have time to wait in line for 20 or 30 minutes to get their photo taken.”

After some discussion, the HPC decided to move the location of the stations as follows:

- “This policy is flawed at best and the University handling of the issue is completely unacceptable,” Dobson said.

Currently, the non-discrimination clause does not include the category of sexual orientation.

“This means that the University and Notre Dame has reserved the right to discriminate in its admissions, bursaries, and funds,” Coyne asserted.

Last April, vice president for student affairs Patrick O’Hara accepted a recommendation to raise the question of revising the clause and has reported having raised the issue with the University’s lawyers. In the past 12 months, no progress update or
The virtues are smoking

I belong to the most blatantly discriminated against group on campus. I smoke cigarettes. Smoking is humiliated and stopped on every one of the administration’s policies. The administration nonchalantly ignores those who like to whine and complain about us every chance they get, and so I wanted to write this. I think the fact that there is virtue in smoking, and that smoking can help one against fear.

After all, smokers put up with a lot to sustain their habit. We are not allowed to meet in nearly every campus building. We are forced out into the cold to smoke during the winter. The students who are caught on campus in possession of cigarettes show up on a crowded schedule, we have to walk nearly a mile in the snow to buy a pack of cigarettes. We are humiliated every fall when home football season ends and all the incendiary devices are removed from the bookstore. Then we also have to walk nearly a mile to buy something to light our cigarettes with.

Every year, our university admissions department is to get us now. One of them has gone so far as to forbid his dorm residents from smoking outside the building.

We are stuck between a rock and a hard place. It is scary to realize that my tobacco companies have booked us on it, and now the administration wants us to stop. The cost of living is high.

You might expect any other group of people to become ornery or indignant after this kind of treatment. But I think that it is almost better this way. Suffering has improved our character, and has helped us to see some serious things. Smokers are always willing to bum their cigarettes, down to the last one. We care about each other’s beings. We are not pushy or nasty, like other groups. We have friends in every single campus group. We participate every college of the University, and every major.

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First ladies go to grade school

First lady Hillary Rodham Clinton and her Canadian counterpart, Aline Chrétien, got a firsthand look at technology and education Tuesday when they toured Burrville Elementary School and watched a demonstration of two-way video and computer links with students at St. Elizabeth Elementary School in Ottawa, Canada. Seated in student-size chairs at a small table in Burrville's library, the first ladies were intensely interested in what was going on at both schools displayed their joint Internet project. It’s very impressive," Mrs. Clinton said of the demonstration. "It’s exciting that our two countries are cooperating, that our two schools are cooperating and that students here in Washington are getting exposed to what’s going on in Canada." The students' project included written descriptions of a state-of-the-art school, homework via e-mail and cafeteria robots that don’t burn the food.

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TO A GLANCE

Zaire rebel leader claims to be 160 miles from Kinshasa

Zaire's rebel leader Laurent Kabila set his sights Tuesday on Kinshasa and claimed a startling advance — denied by the government — of nearly 160 miles from the capital. He is on a triumphant tour of recently captured mining country.

The rebels, whose six-month sweep through Zaire shows no sign of slowing, are poised to establish a new capital city of Lubumbashi, Zaire's second-largest city, in the southeast.

In Kinshasa, President Mobutu Seke Seko on Tuesday declared a state of emergency and appointed military governors throughout Zaire.

The brief television announcement did not give details, but Defense Ministry spokesmen told the Associated Press that the new capital would be Lubumbashi.

First ladies demonstrated had been expected Wednesday by supporters of newly appointed Prime Minister Congo.

First ladies show support for 1st African president

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Class visits cloistered nuns

By ALLISON KOENIG
Jesuit Mary's News Editor

Although the words "cloistered" and "dialogue" are an apparent contradiction of terms, a group of Saint Mary's students incorporated both of these concepts this past Saturday. The students, who are members of religious studies professor Keith Egan's "Women as Church" class, traveled south for a dialogue with the Carmelites at the University of Indianapolis, a cloistered and contemplative order of Catholic nuns.

The Carmelites are known for their gender-inclusive doctrinal translations, and subsist from the sales of such books as well as from making bread for the celebration of the Eucharist. The eight-member class had been reading "Teresa of Avila," a book about the 16th-century woman who reformed the Carmelites order. The students came up with a list of questions they wished to discuss with the nuns, and were sent the list to them before their visit.

Ten of the 18 sisters met with the Saint Mary's group. The overview was a group of surprise on the part of the Carmelites. "(The nuns) dispelled the myth of being locked away, antisocial, and out of touch," Kelly Harrison said. "They are very involved with the Church. In celebrating Mass with the community, and in writing books."

"They shattered a lot of myths about their lives," Delaiah Welch added. "A few mentioned how they wanted to be priests in the Catholic Church. Even though they can't be right now, they haven't given up hope. They work within the structure of the Church to make changes."

The nuns met with the students in a "round-circle" discussion. Only 10 of them were represented, so that they did not outnumber or intimidate their guests.

"I noticed the true love of God. To see it was different than to just read about it. They truly live the life of Christ, teachings and everything. I was speechless when we left,"arerated Eileen Nieli.

"I was really amazed about it, which was surprising. They told us that they encourage older women who have life experience to make the educated decision about joining (the sisterhood)," Welch said.

Egan spoke to the differences that have taken place in the order, even recently. "Twenty years ago, the sisters would have appeared to us behind a grill, wearing veils. There would be almost no contact. Nowadays, they are dressed simply, without habits," Egan stated.

A particularly surprising and intriguing part of the discussion revealed the backgrounds of the women. The sisters presented included a former psychologist who had a private practice, a divorced mother who converted to Catholicism later in life, a teacher with a doctorate in math, and an AIDS and death row minister.

"This is not a contradiction," Father Timothy Detlefsen stated. "It is the commitment to the church, the elevation of the Church." Scully responded to questions posed during the proceeding panel discussion.

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Theodore Hesburgh, president of the University, challenged the group to "amass a community of intellectual engagement" and present points necessary for "Making Notre Dame a Center for Catholic Intellectual Life." Scully agreed with Deihl. He said that a "Catholic University not only welcomes, but requires other faiths." He concluded that, "no committed world class faculty [is equal to] a cloistered community."

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Artisan Jason Dilley creates a face mask of Greg Sanchez, a South Bend community member who is living with AIDS. Sanchez's mask will be added to the Face to Face exhibition, which is on display in LaFortune Ballroom until the end of the week.

Vatican appoints new archbishop

CHICAGO

The Vatican on Tuesday replaced the late Cardinal Joseph Bernardin with a Chicago native who could prove to be more outspoken on Roman Catholic doctrine than his predecessor.

Cardinal Francis George, 60, of Portland, Ore., will be installed as head of the nation's second-largest archdiocese May 7, six months after Bernardin's death.

"At the end of a lot of exploring, I come back to give the rest of my life to the Church of Chicago and to the people of the metropolitan area," said George, who will lead the Chicago area's 2.3 million Catholics.

Like Bernardin, George is in line with the pope in opposing abortion, capital punishment, and the ordination of women. In Portland, he was a vigorous opponent of state's law permitting euthanasia.

He also has shown a moderate stance. While bishop of Yakima, Wash., he served from July 1990 until his appointment to Portland last April, he joined other Catholic leaders in opposing the two anti-gay-rights initiatives.

But the two bishops differ in style. While Bernardin never openly opposed a position taken by the pope, he was considered a mediator nationwide among groups who differed on issues such as female priests.
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Thank you, Coach Holtz, for all the memories.
Notre Dame, our mother, I know you pleased.'

Jim Flanigan
Selection from "My Ode to Coach Holtz"

Holtz, clutching his milkshake, exchanges a smile with Regis Philbin as they listened to former quarterback Tony Rice delivering his roast.

'I used to get so mad, I'd steal the gum out of Lou's golf cart and chew it in front of him... He's actually hearing this for the first time right now.'

Tony Rice

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'Lou is a great talker. If he were God, Moses would've had to send out for more tablets.'
Barry Alvarez

'Lou is the only person in recent memory to sleep in the Lincoln Bedroom for free.'
Roland Kelly

'SAFERIDE Training Session on Thursday, April 10, 3–5PM
All volunteers who would like to be certified please attend this session.
Come to the Campus Security Building, room 122
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Questions?? Call Susan 1-9888

Photos by Rob Finch

Dick Rosenthal
Council agreed that placing stations in the residence halls for one or two days each would be the best course of action. Stations would also be located in more neutral settings such as LaFortune Student Center and Dallara Hall for off-campus students and those students who missed their dorm's scheduled time.

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Mike Ball talks to the Hall Presidents' Council about the integration of new ID cards at Notre Dame.

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By amending the non-discrimination clauses, we will be institutionalizing acceptance," Dobson told the forum.

"We're not naive enough to think that changing the clause will solve all homo­phobia. But we're naive to think we can move towards progress without chang­ing it," she said.

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Clinton's dine with Chretiens

By RON FOURNIER
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON

He can't play golf. He can't dance. But, boy, can he eat!

Still lurching about on crutches.

President Clinton was hobbling host Thursday night for Canadian Prime Minister Jean Chretien's official visit.

But that didn't stop White House chefs, florists, wine connoisseurs and pastry artists from jumping through hoops to impress the northern neighbor.

The highlight: A Canadian-inspired, five-star meal.

Chef Walter Scheib began with maple-cured salmon and fiddlehead fern, one of 17 different newly harvested vegetables.

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Clinton

Rodham Clinton to serve healthy meals that blend American tastes with her guests' native cuisine.

The guest list included the requisite government officials (National Security Adviser Sandy Berger, politicians (former Michigan Gov. James Blanchard) and Hollywood types (comics Dan Aykroyd and Howie Mandel)). But it had fewer-than-usual political donors, more than likely a result of the mounting Democratic fund-raising affair.

Among the donors were William Joyce, whose Union Carbide Corp. contributed $23,000 to Democrats; Donna Dixon Aykroyd, Dan's wife, who donated $1,000 to Clinton, and Michael Berman, a Democratic consultant.

Berman is one of the Clinton friends who helped disgraced presidential friend Webb Hubbell land a job after he resigned from the Justice Department under and ethics cloud. Whitewater prosecutor Kenneth Starr, however, later destroyed Hubbell's sketchy memory as he cooperated with investigators, is looking into whether the jobs bought his silence.

But Tuesday was a night for dinner with realism. Mezzo-soprano Denyce Graves was appearing in the East Room, accompanied on the piano by Warren Jones.
By MICHELLE BOOERSTEIN
Associated Press Writer

PHOENIX

Capt. Craig Button took off in a $9 million Air Force attack jet last week for a practice run. His jet flew over the plane's and its arsenal of four 500-pound bombs were gone.

The Air Force official at the Pentagon, speaking on condition of anonymity, said Button had made some cross-country flying trips during his training, and they have involved stops on Colorado has a brother in Denver.

Button's relatives said they knew of nothing suspicious involving the 35-year-old officer, Massapequa, N.Y., native. "He was A-O-K, stable, didn't seem to be under any stress. But he was having to study hard," one said.

Richard Button, a former Arizona resident who has an opportunity to go on condition of anonymity, said Button had been his father's father, Richard Button, who had trained pilots during World War II.

They said the older Button said his son had a passion for flying and dreamed of living a life like the pilots in the movie "Top Gun.

If there's anything I can do to help the LGBT cause, please let me know. I put that in the bank vault.

Holtz countered. "I always thought you had a brain just like Einstein. It's been dead since 1955.

Holtz is the only person I know who sends thank-you notes for birthday cards," Newton said. "He wrote, 'If there's anything I can do to help the LGBT cause, please let me know. I put that in the bank vault.'"

As the guest of honor, Holtz's chance at rebuttal came at the end of the evening; he took the podium for the 1912 Overtures rang through the Joyce Center.

I have nothing but love, admiration, and respect for Notre Dame," concluded Holz.
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Associated Press

WASHINGTON

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Exchange of ideas central to dogma interpretation

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While dogma that which Catholics believe about God — rightfully remains constant, the interpretation and practices reflecting these beliefs can and must change.

Church and a willingness to "seek its perfection" as motivations to question the status quo. In other words, some of the People of God who make up the Church ask that it be made a pertinent institution for modern times. Since new wine should not be stored in old winemaking — as Christ recommended — it is not feasible for the "wearer" generations of Catholics to struggle with an "old" Church. It seems unlikely that any manner of genuine spirituality could survive under such pressures.

Pressure of this type has led many women to leave the Catholic Church, or to threaten to leave if the ban on women's ordination is not lifted. They feel a true call from God to a priestly vocation, and ask why the Church refuses to allow them to fulfill this call. The support of parishes, friends and family encourages them, yet to be ignored by the body which they yearn to serve has evoked emotions of guilt, pain, sadness and anger.

These are emotions also felt by other Catholics, prompting them to raise questions about the Church's attempts in certain instances to "dialogue," and the ultimate failure to incorporate or implement any suggestions made. Some see it as hypocrisy on the part of those in power, rather than a willingness to change, but only withdrawing further from the masses.

There are those Catholics, of course, who take their questions far too far, becoming excessively defiant or antagonistic, almost demanding to be heard, insisting on change with an "or else" finality. As is human nature, those of whom demands are made in this fashion will usually be "turned off" by the tactic. They see a distinct difference between sincere inquiries to achieve a better understanding of a situation, and open rebellion.

This is, perhaps, where the greatest misunderstanding arises between those who follow the Church as it is and those who question. The latter are seen as trouble-makers, dissidents or malcontents. That truly may be the case for a very few, however. Most question just want answers.

Through free exchanges of ideas, it may be possible for all Catholics to establish a unity and grasp of issues that matter to the spiritual life of the People of God and the Church as this millennia ends. God-given intelligence and curiosity that is not used in the pursuit of faith only itself stagnates — a fate no one wishes upon anyone else or the Church.

Julie Ferraro is a secretary in the Friemann Life Science Center.
America’s educational future depends on government action

America’s system of public education is facing a crisis that, if not addressed immediately, will result in the perpetuation of a cycle of failure, inequity, and violence, and the economic and social consequences that come with it. The system’s ills are deep and wide-reaching, involving political, economic, and social dimensions, and they are not obscure, but rather everyone is aware of them.

However, the crisis can be overcome through government action. Legislation and policies have a direct impact on the schools, their budget, and their ability to educate students. Federal, state, and local governments have a responsibility to ensure that all students receive a quality education that prepares them for the future.

In the current political climate, it is crucial that policymakers recognize the importance of education and allocate adequate funding to schools. This includes providing resources such as textbooks, technology, and qualified teachers. Additionally, policies that support teachers and ensure they have the tools they need to succeed are necessary.

Finally, it is important to recognize the role of community involvement in improving education. Schools need support from parents, volunteers, and local businesses to ensure that students have the best possible education. With the right support, schools can overcome any obstacle and provide a quality education for all students.

In conclusion, the crisis in public education is real, but it is not insurmountable. With government action, we can ensure that all students receive a quality education that prepares them for the future and helps to create a more equitable and successful society.
**ACCENT Asks**

What is your favorite television theme song?

"The Smurfs" because the whole show is a Communist propaganda plot to subvert our youth."

Mark Leen
Sophomore, Stanford

"Perfect Strangers" because it makes me want to do the 'Dance of Joy.'"

Bea Przybysz
Sophomore, Siegfried

"Sportcenter" because it warms my heart."

Mike Bredeweg
Junior, Keenan

"Sanford and Son" because you can hum to it."

Kevin Graves
Junior, Fisher

"The Great American Hero" because I admire the curly haired dude."

Shannon Blalock
Junior, Pasquerilla West

"NFL Primetime" because when I hear the song, I know that the show is going to be on."

David Johnson
Sophomore, Alumni

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**The Observer/Kevin Datum**

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**Jalopy**

BY KRISTEN MICHELE BOGNER

Accent Writer

The typical Notre Dame and Saint Mary's College student has a few stock complaints that surface often in conversation. He laments that the weather sucks, she argues the work load could stand to be lighter, gender relations are uninspiring, and, worst of all, the campus and South Bend are definitely wanting in the nightlife department.

We have been bestowed mixed blessings at this wonderful school which offers many opportunities for educational enrichment but woefully little in the way of interesting social gatherings, save the occasional intoxicating SYR's and formals.

The Acoustic Cafe is a fairly well-kept secret that may possess the power to change some opinions of the school's on-campus evening opportunities.

John Gavula runs the Acoustic Cafe, which is spon-
The Acoustic Cafe has hosted such acts as George and the Freeks and Emily Lord; both acts have since graduated. This season's features include classical performances by one of Notre Dame's premiere violinists, Jeanine Wynton, and some ethnic music by the well-established group Sabor Latino. Some campus bands appearing this year are Cod in Salsa, Jalopy, and Vibe. The Soulful Bowfoul, Notre Dame's jazz quartet, also performs at these Thursday evening jam sessions. Chris Goddard, Matt Curreri, Aaron Dunn, Brian "B-Ham" Hamilton, and even John Gavula, who occasionally frees himself from his managerial duties, strut at their guitars and croon a few sweet tunes to the mellow audience. These Thursday nights are all about the expression and growth which abound at Notre Dame, which, with its bright and talented student body, is a fecund breeding ground for creativity. Anyone with an interesting idea, a little talent, and a bit of daring can arrange a space to perform by telephoning John. The Acoustic Cafe is not confined merely to Notre Dame students; anyone in the Michiana area can perform.

There is nothing hippie-ish or revolutionary about this event; conservatives and liberals alike can unite in their love for music and art. The performers seem genuinely excited to have an outlet for their emotions and creative talents, and the music that they create is spectacular. So, whether you've had enough of "Seinfeld," or are just searching for some good background music for a study session, drop in on the Acoustic Cafe and stay awhile.

You will be astonished at the showcase of talent which would otherwise go unnoticed, were it not for these wonderful Thursday evening celebrations of artistic freedom and exhibition.

ND Music Scene: A Really Happening Place

By JOE WEILER
Acoustic War Correspondent

Music — it is a tricky matter to deal with here at Our Lady's Daycamp. There are relatively few good campus bands, and they hardly ever play on campus. WSNW has a Nortoncore show with a variety of good music, but that plays between 12-2 a.m., way past the bedtime of all the good little boys and girls. WVIN plays a decent mix of easy listening to the most picky of music connoisseurs, but if someone inadvertently farts too loud in LaFortune for LaFun as we really sick people like to call it, the signal gets interrupted.

Acoustic Cafe, along with all its dorm spinoffs like Morrissey Unplugged and Kugelhoff Cafe, are somewhat viable alternative. The music highlighted there is usually pretty good, but in terms of social atmosphere it can't hold a candle to the Stopan Center.

Let's face it, there's not much that really can compare to the fantastic feeling you get when you struggle to make out the lyrics to the song being played by some guy you don't recognize, standing on stage. But, hey, he must be famous if we've agreed to let him play at Stopan. Every once in a while SUL gets a big name to play in the Iron Bra (or the JACC as two or three people like to call it, but that happens about as often as someone gets kicked out of GCP for having an invalid ID). So what does all of this mean? Well, not much. It goes along with the old theme of the people called "You can please all of the time, but you can't kill the rest. I'm not sure who said that, but he must have been pretty smart." Anyway, all of this talk about a lack of a good music scene at Notre Dame is merely useless rhetoric, unless, of course, someone comes up with something better. Seeing as how there doesn't seem to be anyone else jumping at the chance to do that, I have decided to undertake this Herculean effort.

In an attempt to find something which will make everyone happy I have come up with a few Headliners whom I'd like to see for the masses of Notre Dame and Saint Mary's College.

- Patty O and the Funky Bunch. In a perfect world, Patty O'Hara and her lackeys, Bill Kirk give up their jobs in Student Affairs to become a duo of gangsta rappers. Instead of stage diving, crowding, surfing, or destroying equipment, they would jump into the crowd and pummel as many people as they can to a bloody pulp with their own feet. Forget all of that Elvis Side- West Side rivalry. Patty O and the funky Bunch, also known as Bill will kick it down with the North Quad-South Quad War. Some of the most popular secular lyrics will be "Hey! Hot North Hall, SICKENS!" and "Ya ya, ya, no, ya! But at least we're closer to Canada."

- The MONKEYS. In a popular parody of the 70's sitcom starring Micky Dolan and three other funny looking guys, Monk Malloy and three fellow priests get together to spice up the popular "Chant" with an alternative twist. The new format, called "Grumpier Than Rant" will mimic the sounds of Nirvana's "Smells Like Teen Spirit" while adding random Latin phrases like: "Semper ubi sub ubi," "fidel situm," "e pluribus unum," and "ad nauseam."

- Josie and the Pussy Cats. I really have nothing interesting to say about this group except that I think it would be interesting to see what would happen if we invited a band onto campus whose very name is illegal in du Lac. Besides, inviting a band that exists only in a cartoon world in just as forgivable as electing a student body president based on the platform that he'd bring the Grateful Dead to our fair campus.

- The Arkies. A take off on the old gang, the "Archies", this group is a favorite of the golden oldies. This is not, however, because of their love for classical music. The Arkies simply have not seen the light of day since the 70s and are perpetually stuck in a time warp. This does, however, make for some nice music.

- Michael Jackson. Come on! You know you want to see him in concert!

- Finally, the grand concert will come to a close on a more somber note. Working together on an international theme, all of the math teachers will join hands as they sing "We Are the World." Missing from the first rendition will be such phrases as "We are the ones who make a better place so go back to high school you dummy! Agree with me. Yes!"

Yes, sir. The music scene at Notre Dame could be one happening place. It simply takes a little bit of imagination and a really warped sense of humor.

Joe Weiler is a business/communications major, who, incidentally, had a very difficult math test this morning.
Cubs fall to Marlins, tie worst start in 122 years

By MIKE NADEL
Associated Press

CHICAGO

The wireless Chicago Cubs matched the worst start in their 122-year history as the Florida Marlins beat Charlie Johnson's two-run seventh-inning home run to win 5-2 Tuesday and go five games over .500 for the first time ever.

The loss in the chilly, windy night air dropped the Cubs to 0-7, equaling the start of the 1962 team. To avoid breaking the same Florida club record that beat the Cubs four times this season and improved to 6-1, the major leagues' best record.

Allen Leiter (2-0) allowed five hits and three runs in six innings, walking three and striking out six to pitch for Steve Trachsel (3-0) on a 29- degree day that included a wind-chill factor of 1.

Trachsel took a three-hitter into the seventh before giving up a double toTRYrU40351 before allowing a two-run, sixth-inning out to Pops, Florida ahead 4-3. Johnson added a ninth-inning run on Moises Alou's single, giving the Cubs a 3-0 lead and a double. Bob Heim picked the ninth for his seventh save.

Johnnie: NL Gold Glove catcher each of the last two seasons, caught two Cubs stealing and picked Dave Hansen off first base after he led off the seventh with a pinch single.

Sammy Sosa hit his first home run of the season, and also doubled and scored as the Cubs' last two runs in their first road game.

They were 28-3 away from Florida last season.

Sosa, who has hit 17 homers and 101 RBIs last season, entered the game with none of either and a batting average of .995.

Cardinals 2, Expos 1

With one swing, Willie McGee hit a pinch-hit home run over two outs in the ninth Tuesday night, ended the team's worst start ever, giving the Cardinals a 2-1 victory over Montreal. The last time the team was 0-6 was on Oct. 1.

"That was more dramatic than any home run," manager Tony La Russa said. "And that was a made-up movie. I don't know how he did that."

McGee, 38, scoffed at the fiction.

"That's a movie, that's fantasy," McGee said. "I work hard and I don't think I do any more things than the movies work out.

This was his second two batting title and was the season with a 289 career average in 143 games before Tuesday, he'd never hit a pinch home run.

"That's the last thing on my mind," McGee said. "You dream of things like that, but I'm not that kind of a hitter.

McGee connected off Scott Seaver, Urbina's first-pitch charger, a pitch he returned home run in his 16th major league season. The 38-year-old reserve outfilder, who started the season on the 19-man injury list, batted .350 (14-for-40) in his first 26 games.

"I don't look at the stats much but this afternoon I noticed McGee got his 4-5 against him," Expos manager Felipe Alou said. "Now he's a 4-5.

Urbina said he knew McGee liked to hit his first pitch.

"I hung it a little bit," he said. "In the cold weather, it's hard to grip the ball.

The Cardinals' 0-6 start included a three-game season-opening sweep at Montreal. A crowd of 47,452 saw the NL Central champions win their home opener and send the Expos to their fourth straight loss.

Urbina (1-1) got out of a bases-loaded situation in the eighth. After Ron Gant tripled off Dave Weil, Urbina walked Brian Jordan and John Mahoney and McGee hit a double. Robb Nen pitched the ninth.

Reliever Mark Petrovsek (1-1) allowed two hits and struck out three but inherited two men on base in the inning after Urbina.

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Ailing Palmer set for another Masters

By DENNE H. FREEMAN
Associated Press

AUGUSTA, Ga.

He's here again, launching drives with his familiar but peculiar lurching swing.

He's hitting up his short game, signing autographs, smiling and waving, and making eye contact with the gallery.

He's brought numerous putters trying to find one that works. It doesn't matter that by all odds he shouldn't be here. At the age of 67, he still thinks he can win.

Was there ever any doubt

Arnold Daniel Palmer would whip cancer and play in his 43rd consecutive Masters?

There wasn't any doubt there, Arnold?

"I was censored," was the way the indestructible man put it. "I had time to look at some old Masters films. You can't help but think about the highlights of your life. Bring here and playing is important to me.

Palmer underwent prostate cancer surgery in 1995. Forty-three days later, he swung a club. Almost two months later, on March 20, Palmer played his first competitive round in his lifetime at Pebble Beach.

Forget that he shot 81. What mattered was he could win. A Masters without Palmer would be unthinkable. Only Palmer can win. But just to see him play on the grounds of Augusta National Golf Club is an annual spring rite of renewal — much like spring training in baseball. He owns four Masters jackets and the hearts of the fans.

"I want to play good," is the way he puts it.

"My goal is to win. I never came here without that.

But what if he couldn't have played? What if he couldn't have stroked along the azaleas and the dogwoods?

"I would have missed the walk up No. 1 fairway," Palmer said. "I would have gone anyway and enjoyed the championship dinner. I sort of like looking down and the grass rather than looking up at it."

For Palmer to have almost missed the Masters made gal- lies on Tuesday realize what they almost missed.

They turned out by the thou- sands to watch him play a practice round. Palmer, always the blue-collar hero with the common touch, invited U.S. Mid- Amateur champion John Miller of San Francisco to play along in his foursome with Fuzzy Zoeller and Tom Watson.

Wearing a flop hat and decked out in a purple shirt, Palmer yukked it up with Zoeller, Watson and the 47-year-old salesman from Bloomington, Ind.

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Former Pistons encounter Vegas point-shaving scandal

Associated Press

NEW YORK

The NBA on Tuesday denounced as "baseless" a book's claim that heavy gambling losses and a brief page portfolio to the Observer, on the 3rd floor of LaFortune, by Thursday, April 10. Applications should be addressed to Ed Leader. Questions? X4428

The Observer Rookie seals one-run victory

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO

Mark Leiter allowed three runs in seven innings and rookie Scott Olsen singled home the go-ahead run Tuesday night, sending the Philadelphia Phillies to a 2-1 victory over the San Francisco Giants.

A crowd of 6,260 watched on an evening when the Gulf winds gusted up to 50 mph. It was the Giants' smallest home crowd since Oct. 1, 1991, when 6,174 saw a game against Houston.

Olsen, 21-11, formerly with the Giants, gave up an unearned run, walked three and struck out two in 1 1/3 innings for his third save, striking out three. He has saved all three Phillies' wins so far this season.

Mickey Morandini led off the eighth with a single before moving to third on a grounder.

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Purdue suspends player

Associated Press

WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. - Chike Okekefor, who would have been the most experienced player on Purdue's football team next fall, has been suspended indefinitely.

"Chike Okekefor was suspended indefinitely from our team for conduct detrimental to the team," coach Joe Tiller said Tuesday.

Purdue officials declined to be more specific about the suspension, citing a student's right to privacy.

It isn't the first time the 6-foot-5, 237 pound Okeafor, a fifth-year senior safety, has been suspended indefinitely from our football program.

Purdue's student-athlete handbook states the decision to suspend a player can be made by the head coach or the athletic director.

Okeafor was suspended indefinitely on Oct. 16, 2010, after he was arrested when Purdue police were called to an apartment complex to investigate a report of marijuana use.

Police said Okeafor was living at the apartment complex where marijuana was being sold.

He was charged with possession of marijuana, resisting law enforcement and visiting a common nuisance after that arrest. He had to pay a $100 fine, complete a substance abuse program and work on a rodeo crew for 10 days.

Okeafor was an honorable mention All-Big Ten Conference player the past two years.

He started 30 games the past three seasons, had 253 tackles, including 22 tackles for a loss. He started 13 of 13 games in his first season from 11-3-12 - going into the final period.

Vin Baker, who finished with 19 points and 17 rebounds, pulled the Bucks within 88-85 with 8:52 left, but Dennis Scott's three-pointer with 6:29 left capped a 9-0 run and the Magic never lost control.

Grant sat out for the fourth time in five games because of back spasms. Strong finished with 13 points and 16 rebounds.

Scott had 17 points.

Glen Robinson scored 13 of his 22 points in the first quarter and the Bucks used an 8-0 run between the second and first sessions to grab a 30-18 lead.

Orlando pulled within 48-39 on a basket by Nick Anderson, but Chuckie Brown scored four straight points to give the Bucks a 47-39 halftime lead.

Raptors 100, Bullets 94

Damon Stoudamire scored 29 points Tuesday night as the Toronto Raptors slowed Washington's playoff drive with a 100-94 victory over the Bullets.

After Calbert Cheaney hit a 3-point shot to cut the Bullets' lead 53-44 at the break, Stoudamire scored four points in five possessions to give the Bullets a 47-39 halftime lead.

The Bullets made a quick start, scoring the first seven points. However, as the half wore on, the Raptors wore down the Bullets and finished with a flurry, using back-to-back three-point plays by Doug Christie and Popeye Jones to lead 53-44 at the break.

Wait Williams added 24 points and nine rebounds for the Raptors, who are 2-2 against the Bullets this season.

Christie had 11 points and 10 rebounds.

Juanwan Howard added 19 points, eight assists and seven rebounds for the Bullets, who lost for just the third time in their last 10 games and are winless in four games at Skydome.

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Butler scores winning run

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES

Shortly after the clock struck midnight, after a hurried, aimless trip to his throat specialist, Brett Butler rescued the Los Angeles Dodgers.

His all-or-nothing dash from second base to home in the 15th inning early Tuesday gave the Dodgers a 3-2 victory over the New York Mets.

Butler did not start the game, the first time he had been out of the starting lineup this season. He didn't get back to the ballpark Monday night until the fourth inning, having visited his doctor to check on a growing soreness in the area where a cancerous tumor and lymph nodes were removed last May.

"Brett's past history is what magnifies the event," team physician Michael Mellman said. "Having said that, we don't have any reason to believe there's a recurrence of his cancer. Nothing's been defined here.

Butler entered the game as a pinch-hitter in the ninth, with the score 2-2. He walked twice and sacrificed before coming up again in the 15th.

He hit a possible double-play ball that forced teammate Todd Zeile on second, but Butler's speed got him to first base. Then he stole second while Greg Gergag got stuck.

When Dodger catcher Tom Prince hit a roller to first base, John Olerud's two-out toss to rookie pitcher Joe Crawford covering first was too late. When Crawford looked to home plate, it was too late to even attempt a throw to beat the sliding Butler, "It was running all the way," Butler said. "Once I saw he (Prince) was safe I knew I was going to score."

Until Butler's speed and savvy gave the Dodgers their fifth victory against two losses in the new season, it had been a worrisome and frustrating night for him and his teammates.

The pain had bothered Butler for several days. Mellman described it as a "dull ache on the left side of his jaw."

Butler left Dodger Stadium before the game began to see an ear, nose and throat specialist, Dr. John Behm.

"He has a swollen lymph node behind the left side of the jaw," Mellman said during an impromptu news conference in the third inning. "He has been placed on antibiotics and his progress will be followed."

Butler, on returning, put on his uniform and made himself available in the fourth inning, inserted to pinch-hit in the ninth, Butler provided sparks that his teammates couldn't fan into a blaze for the next several innings. Then came his 15th-inning grounder, the ensuing stolen base and dash home at 12:06 a.m., ending the five-hour game.

"Brett's fine, as you saw," Dodgers manager Bill Russell said. "He got on base, did what we needed. Heck, he got four at-bats."

Butler said he planned to start Tuesday night against the Mets.

"I had the doctor tell me, "Hey, it's not what you're thinking... Everything's fine," he said."

For Miller and fellow seniors Matt Gortech and Keith Kurokwa, it will be the one and only time they will be able to play in this annual rite of spring. Such prestigious venues as the Garden, Rupp Arena, Paulay Pavilion, and of course the Joyce Center, will give way to the rough and tumble courts at Stepan and those behind Lyons Hall and the Bookstore.

Their opponents will no longer be the Allies Iversons, Ron Mercers, and Tim Thomases of the collegiate basketball world, but rather, ordinary students who will don all sorts of basketball get-ups for the next couple of weeks.

Despite the changing scenery, one thing forever remains constant. Each will undoubtedly still display that burning intensity to finish number one. No matter how much they each want to enjoy this once-in-a-lifetime moment, each still has one goal in mind: to win. "I'm excited to play," said Kurokwa. "I know it'll be fun, but I plan on winning the whole tournament."

Proof of this attitude is quite easy to find. Both Kurokwa and Miller are hired guns on teams put together solely with the aim of taking out top seed Corby's, the team which includes Jeff Kloska and Dan Famin of last year's champios, Dos Kloskas.

Playing with Kurowski are twin towers Dan Frigo and Steve Starcks, while Miller is playing with Bookstore veterans Andy Goodenow and Chad Chevalier.

"It will take a monumental effort to beat Corby's," said Kurokwa. "I've seen them play, and they're very good, but we have the attitude that we're going to win the whole thing."

Conspicuously absent from this year's field are seniors Admore White and Marcus Young. Both have plans to pursue basketball after graduating from Notre Dame, and do not want to ruin those dreams by injuring themselves.

"I want to continue with my basketball career, and I've been working with coach (John MacLeod) in an attempt to do just that," said Young. "My long-term goal is the NBA, but right now I'm looking at the USBL, and other things as ways to train and get to a solid foundation."

Added head commissioner Dan "The Man" Delaney, "We're very disappointed that (Admore and Marconi) are not playing, but we understand that it's a long season."
**TYSON REMATCH POSTPONED**

Mike Tyson will postpone his May 3 rematch with Evander Holyfield after reopening a cut over his left eye that he originally suffered in his upset loss to Holyfield.

The fight apparently will be postponed to June 28, said Marc Ratner, head of the Nevada Athletic Commission. "My understanding is it was treated and stitched today and the fight will be postponed," Ratner said.

Tyson's camp scheduled a news conference for 5 p.m. (8 p.m. EDT) at the MGM Grand hotel to discuss the reported injury.

Ratner said he was told that Tyson was cut in the same place over the left eye in training three weeks ago and had given it time to heal. But he said it was reopened and the former heavyweight champion had to have stitches. It was the second time Tyson has postponed a fight with Holyfield, and the latest in a string of postponements for the former champions.

Bruised ribs forced Tyson to pull out of a date with Holyfield in 1991, and he postponed a fight last July with Bruce Seiden after coming down with bronchitis.

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**BOXING**

De La Hoya confident in Whitaker bout

By KEN PETERS

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES

Oscar De La Hoya, an infinite student of the trade, believes he learned something recently by watching tape of Pernell Whitaker's draw with Julio Cesar Chavez three years ago.

De La Hoya, concluding a barnstorming tour to drum up interest for his match against Whitaker, said, "I saw that Whitaker couldn't stop Vegas. has lost just once and welterweight title against De La Hoya on Saturday night in Las Vegas.

La Hoya's 23 opponents have

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**NHL**

Lightning extend Eastern Conference lead

Associated Press

TAMPA, Fla.

Martin Brodeur's shutout streak ended at three games, but the New Jersey Devils tied the Tampa Bay Lightning 2-2 Tuesday night to extend their lead in the Eastern Conference race to two points.

Jason Wiemer scored at 11:43 of the second period to end Brodeur's career-best run at 213 minutes, 52 seconds. His best previous streak was 189 minutes, 13 seconds earlier this season.

The Devils countered Weimer's ninth goal just 15 seconds later, when John MacLean got his 27th. It was the fourth straight game in which MacLean has had a goal, extending his point-scoring streak to six games.

Cory Cross made it 2-1 for Tampa Bay with his fourth goal, at 16:12. New Jersey's Jay Pandolfo scored the only goal of the final period, at 2:11. After taking Randy McKay's pass at the right point, Doug Gilmour hit the streaking Pandolfo in the low slot. Pandolfo beat Rick Tabaracci for this fifth goal.

Both goaltenders were outstanding. In the first period, Brodeur poke-checked the puck off Wiemer's stick and stopped Patrick Poulin's back-hander from in close.

Tabaracci was even better in both fighters will be coming off less-than-overwhelming performances.

Whitaker trailed unheralded Diabelys Hurtado on all three judges' cards when he knocked Hurtado out in the 11th round of their match Jan. 24 in Atlantic City. De La Hoya had to go the distance against Gonzalez, although he took a lopsided decision in their Jan. 17 bout in Las Vegas.

"There's no such thing as looking back for me. Whitaker said of the Hurtado bout. "I'm looking forward."

De La Hoya admitted he overcame problems prior to the Gonzalez fight.

"I was worried about my condition since I had missed six days of training because of flu. I had two weeks before the fight," he said. "But I beat him just using my left jab, and I wasn't sure of my conditioning, and I still said that I was winning the fight with no problem."

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**CLASS OF '99**
Irish squeak by Hoosiers, 5-4

By BILL HART
Sports Writer

Every team at Notre Dame has its rivalry. The football team has its USC, the women's soccer team has its North Carolina, and the hockey team has its Michigan. For the women's tennis team, its annual matchup against Indiana has been raised to that status.

"Every year, its always a tough matchup," head coach Jay Louderback remarked. "No matter where either of us are ranked, it's always a close game that can go either way."

Yesterday's match between Notre Dame and Indiana lived up to its billing, as the 14th-ranked Irish won 5-4, in a day that gave a new meaning to "down to the wire."

The match began on a sour note with sophomore Jennifer Hall losing a close match to Indiana's Megan McCarthy, 7-6, 7-4. In the past three matches, the Irish have lost the first single matches of the day.

In the second singles match, the Irish rebounded in the form of Marisa Veleasco, who defeated the Hoosiers' Correne Stout in three sets 4-6, 6-2, 6-2. Despite it being only the second match, it proved to be the turning point of the day.

In the third set, leading 2-0, Stout went down with an ankle injury and was forced to retire. She was also unable to compete in her scheduled doubles match later that day.

Notre Dame rebounded in the next round, as senior Tiffany Gates fell to Lizl Coetsee in straight sets, 6-3, 6-3.

The day continued at a frenzied pace, with the Hoosiers continuing to pace the Irish match for match. Kelly Zalinski soundly beat Indiana's Jessica Anderson in two sets to even the score at two matches apiece. However, Indiana came back in a straight set win over junior Kelly Olson, 6-1, 6-2.

In doubles action, the Irish took the early lead in the form of a rematch. The duo of Gates and Hall competed against their opponents in their singles matches, this time with a different outcome. However, the Hoosiers came back in the second match with Velasco and Zalinski losing by a score of 8-2.

With the score tied at 4-4, it came down to the final doubles match to decide the outcome. In a match which summed up the day in general, the team of sophomore Courtney Haskell and Olson defeated their rivals in one of the closest matches of the day, 8-4.

"This loss was really disappointing," Indiana head coach Lin Loring remarked. "Notre Dame is undefeated so far in the region. If Correne hadn't sprained her ankle, we probably would have won. We just have to hope to get her back for the Big Ten tournaments."

The Irish improved to 11-10 on the season, ending a three-game skid, while the Hoosiers dropped to 12-7 on the year. The Irish return to action on Friday to face Drake at home. The match begins at 3:30 p.m.
Excitement of college hockey lost on the masses

West Coast schools unable to compete

Miles Simon and the Arizona Wildcats

Madroned the cover of Sports Illustrated last week and rightly so, after defeating Kentucky in the final game of the Final Four championship game in memory. Inside the magazine, some five pages were devoted to the single game. The magazine also devoted another four pages to the women's basketball Final Four and the excitement generated by this tournament. At the same time, hidden in a weekly feature and not even mentioned in the contents of the magazine, Sports Illustrated graciously afforded the other Final Four, that of college hockey, a mere page in coverage. For those of you who don't know, and I assume that most of you do not, college hockey's Final Four ended with North Dakota's 6-4 victory over Boston University. Although it received less coverage and less hype, hockey's Final Four was every bit as exciting as basketball's Final Four.

Clearly, the question of why college hockey receives significantly less coverage than college basketball or college football artifices. Dismissing the idea that some professional hockey prospects do not attend college, we are left to conclude that college hockey is still essentially a regional sport.

As a native of southern California, I knew very little about hockey before the trade of Wayne Gretzky to the Los Angeles Kings. This trade was the most important trade perhaps in the history of hockey because of the impact it had on the NHL. Gretzky made hockey popular in Los Angeles and showed that hockey can thrive in warm weather markets. Not coincidentally, expansion teams such as the Tampa Bay Lightning, Florida Panthers, and Mighty Ducks of Anaheim were granted status in the NHL. Last year, the Winnipeg Jets were transformed into the Phoenix Coyotes and this year is the last in Connecticut for the Hartford Whalers.

As a result, professional hockey has been transformed from a regional sport into a national phenomenon, with National Hockey Night and Game of the Week games being broadcast across the nation into millions of houses every week. This transformation has benefited the sport of hockey with increased popularity and therefore, increased revenue.

College hockey operates on the same intense level as professional hockey. It has the speed of college basketball combined with the hard-hitting action of college football. The excitement generated by this sport can be seen here at Notre Dame, where Irish hockey sold out nearly every game at the Joyce Fieldhouse this past season.

Irish hockey should be even more popular next year as the squad loses only five seniors and gains another strong freshman class and should move into the upper echelon of their league, the CCHA. However, Irish hockey and college hockey, despite all the excitement they generate, will remain a national phenomenon. So, why doesn't college hockey follow the NHL's lead and nationalize its sport?

The answer to that question, sadly, is that college hockey is unable to do so. There is no Wayne Gretzky that Michigan can trade to UCLA because there are no trades in college hockey, and there are no college hockey programs at warm weather schools like UCLA.

College hockey is almost non-existent on the West Coast. This means that nearly half of the schools in the country do not have college hockey programs and therefore are far less likely to begin programs. The fact of the matter is that if a college hockey recruit were given the choice between Miami University and Miami of Ohio, every prospect would choose Miami of Ohio. This leads to a "cycle of college hockey," if you will, whereby college hockey will never expand in the West Coast. If college hockey will never expand to the West Coast and will essentially remain an eastern and midwestern phenomenon, it will continue to exist as a regional sport.

If college hockey continues to remain a regional sport, it will be a lose-lose situation. It will not be able to grow in popularity or revenue. Its Final Four tournament will be forever relegated to one-page summarize more importantly, millions upon millions of individuals who, like myself, are from the West Coast, will not be able to experience the intensity and excitement of college hockey.

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and moved him there and he's
doing really well. and we have
Kurt Belisle and Antwon
Jones.”

“But it's a position that we
really do have to improve on to
really get things going.”

Still, despite the need for fur-
ther improvement, Strong is
comfortable with the defense's
ability to continue to improve
and be prepared for the fall.

“We would like for them to
continue to get better and
that's what we're working
toward, for them to get better,”
Strong said.

Although the defense lost
some key players in lineback-
ers Kinon Tatum, Lyon
Cottins, and Bert Berry, ju-
iors Kory Minor and Lamont
Bryant should be able to pick
up the slack. The defensive
secondary remains the most
experienced area of the
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planned, the 1997 Irish defense
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**Lacrosse**

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as their previous two but one that truly is more important. For the men to realize fruition of their goal to win a national championship, they obviously must get into the NCAA tournament, held at the end of the season.

To obtain a bid, they must win the Great Western Lacrosse League (GWLL). Now here’s where things begin to look a bit scary. The GWLL only has three other teams in it — Butler, Air Force, and Ohio State — and the conference season lasts only for three games.

**For the Irish to win the GWLL, they must beat those three teams. Should they fail to do so, their non-conference wins, albeit illustrious and glamorous, mean absolutely nothing.**

And so the game against Butler is an extremely important one.

*We have to win this game to make it to the NCAA tournament,* Owen explained. *But Butler is a good team. They’re 6-3 and have a lot of close losses.*

“They’re also an excellent groundballing team. We’re going to have to watch out for that.*

“A groundball refers to a ball that is on the ground, and the statistic ‘number of groundballs’ refers to the number of times a team scoops a ball of the ground and gains possession of it.

*To casual sports fans this may not seem important,* said Owen, *“but it really is a big part of the game.”

“They really hustle. The groundball statistic reflects that. They can play with anybody right now,” warned Cashen. *“We also need to out-hustle them and get to the ground balls.”*

*Team defense is also going to be a factor,” added Owen. “We’re just going to have to play all-around well.”

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**<NAME>**

Junior Ned Webster, who notched four assists last weekend, will lead the Irish today against Butler. **The Observer/Brandon Candura**
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**Men's LACROSSE**

Lacrosse team looks to extend win streak

By CHARLEY GATES
Sports Writer

Ignore spring football and forget the Final Four trip for the women's basketball team — Notre Dame athletics has something much bigger, much better to offer to the sports fans on campus: the men's lacrosse team.

While football and basketball are certainly quality teams, the lacrosse team is beginning to join their ranks. They are currently riding a four-game winning streak, highlighted by wins over 12th-ranked Hobart and, most recently, fourth-ranked Hofstra.

"I don't think it's stretching it to say that that was our biggest win ever," stated sophomore midfielder Brad Owen, referring to the three-umb over Hofstra.

"It was a nice surprise to see them coming into the game ranked No. 4 in the country," observed team captain and defender Dave Cashen. "At the outset of the season, I don't think anyone would have predicted that. And this is definitely the biggest win ever for us. Anytime you beat the fourth-ranked team, it's a great confidence builder, because if you can do that, then there's no reason why you can't beat No. 1."

The Irish stormed to a 7-0 lead in last Friday's contest, and then held off a powerful Hofstra counter-attack to escape with a 10-9 win.

Today, the Irish turn their attention toward Butler and a game not nearly as prestigious... see LACROSSE / page 22

![The Observer/Rob Finch]

Matt Gotsch will be shooting on different courts in the upcoming weeks.

**FOOTBALL**

Defensive play key to success

By BETSY BAKER
Associate Sports Editor

Many football coaches theorize that offense scores touchdowns but defense wins games. If that is the truth for Bob Devine and the Notre Dame football team, there will be added pressure on the Irish defense going into the 1997 campaign.

Not only will the team, as a whole, be scrutinized as to whether it can handle the major changes endured with a new coaching staff, but the defense, especially, will be looked at as a barometer for the team's resilience.

Last year's defense gave up 181 points, but also recorded two shutouts (15-0 pounding of Purdue and a 62-0 route of Rutgers) and held two teams to less than 10 points (Vanderbilt and Pittsburgh). This year's team is looking to improve on that, and at the core of that effort is the defensive line.

If a team can control the ball at the line of scrimmage, it can control the tempo of the game, and with a little help from the offense, the outcome of the game.

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"The problem we have now is that without Melvin and Brad, we're not where we need to be with the defensive front," Strong commented. "We have Bennett, who's really the only one who has played there and has enough experience. We...

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**BOOKSTORE BASKETBALL**

Three trade Big East for Bookstore fame

By TIM MCCONN
Sports Writer

Walking into Madison Square Garden for a Big East match-up against such Big East foes as Georgetown, UConn, or Villanova is what most ob­servers would call a pressure situation. It is not supposed to matter, though, because that is the kind of situation John MacLeod has trained his play­ers for since Day One.

Starting this week, however, some of Coach MacLeod's ex­sidiors will be introduced to a whole new sort of pressure cooker, something each of them has anticipated for a very long time: Bookstore Basketball.

"I've been looking forward to this since I got here," commented senior guard Pete Miller.

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**SPRING FOOTBALL**

The Observer will be profiling a different position on the Notre Dame football team each day this week.

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