Students look to define the dream

By MICHELLE KRUPA
Assistant News Editor

This Saturday, local students will reinvent the American Dream — or at least define it in their own perspectives — as part of National Deliberation Day (NDD). The event, organized by the Foundation for Individual Responsibility and Social Trust (FIRST), will take place in over a dozen states and incorporate discussion on a wide variety of topics which influence the political, social, and moral visions that 18- to 35-year-olds have about the future.

On campus at the Center for Social Concerns from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., Notre Dame's NDD will be based on issues that students bring to the platform and follow in the prescribed theme of the event. "Reinventing the American dream: a vision for the next century," "Flood said. As a plan to focus on getting students involved in politics, we're going to have some open discussion with students and faculty."

"We're going to have a number of issues to the conference, but our hope is that the discussions will not be limited to his ideas. "I will start off the day suggesting some possible discussion topics such as the future of urban America, values and tolerance, and economic polarization, but whatever people want to talk about as it relates to the American dream will also be discussed," Vieira said.

The first of such events at the University, NDD follows in a progression of attempts that FIRST has implemented in an effort to call to political action see DREAM/ page 4

Davie turns to students for advice

By DAN CICHALSKI
Associate News Editor

Head football coach Bob Davie reached out to the students last night. In an informal talk at the DeBartolo auditorium, Davie asked for their help in establishing a closer relationship between themselves and the football team.

Discussing his plans for the team, the upcoming fall season and his new responsibilities as head coach, Davie made an effort to get to know the Notre Dame student body in order to relate with it better and further the development of the football program.

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Mike Flood

Flood and the staff at WVFI now begin work on obtaining a license for the FM band from the FCC, a process that will probably last until August 1998.

The first step involves hiring an attorney to conduct a search for available frequencies on the FM dial. Flood said. As a non-commercial, educational station, WVFI will be nestled in the high 80s or low 90s of the FM band, similar to where WSND 88.9 resides.

The search for a place on the band will last about two months, according to Adele Langan, assistant director of Student Activities and adviser to the station.

"The FCC will look at the format of WVFI and see if there's a glat of similar stations," Langan said, noting the station's focus on the college, alternative style music. "Obviously, they (the FCC) won't find that in this area. I'm pretty sure everything will work out.

As an FM station, WVFI will have to follow regulations that are stricter than those imposed on the AM band. Besides keeping updated engineering logs and public inspection files, 18- through 35-year-olds will have to abide by the FCC's standards on acceptable language on the air, provide news and weather reports, and implement the emergency action system.

But according to Langan and Flood, that won't be a problem. "They're already doing regular newscasts for example."

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Cronkite leaves hospital after bypass

Eight days after undergoing a quadraple bypass, Walter Cronkite left the hospital today with plans to return to the tennis court. The 80-year-old broadcaster, who had surgery at New York Hospital on April 1, was taken to a car in a wheelchair and driven to his home in Manhattan. "I feel fine," he told reporters. Earlier, in a statement issued through his office, he said his doctors had told him that his recovery is in the "right track, and I'm in excellent shape. I asked them if I'd be able to play tennis and they said yes. That made me very happy since I haven't played singles in five years," he said.

Cronkite's coronary artery problems showed up during a regular checkup. His son, Ted Cronkite, said Wednesday. Ted Cronkite, called "the most trusted man in America" during his 19 years as anchor of the CBS Evening News. Since retiring from that job in 1981 he has produced or appeared in numerous documentaries on CBS, the Public Broadcasting Service and the Discovery Channel. He said he wants to resume "a normal life" as soon as possible.

"I'm looking forward to getting back on our boat and to "normal life,"" said Ted Cronkite. "We have several television projects we've got in the works, and I want to get back on our boat."
Father John Heagle and Sister Fran Ferder, the co-directors of Therapy and Renewal Associates in the archdiocese of Seattle, explained the importance of being a lifegiver in relationships and love at last night’s Keeping the Faith session entitled “Giving Life: Sexuality and Generativity.”

“All of us do need someone in our lives who responds when we talk,” said Ferder, “One of the ways God responds to us is in giving us one another.”

She pointed out that the creation story of Adam and Eve in the ancient Hebrew text presented Eve as the helper that would not have to be alone.

He explained that that vulnerability is the most important nakedness that couples can have and that such a relationship is the key to reclaiming love by being lifegivers.

“I can live without sex but I cannot live without intimacy,” shared Heagle. He related his fears upon entering the seminary and of loving without the world getting smaller, smell better.

He continued, “Mutuality is the most important thing in love.”

He explained that as a priest he sometimes experiences doubt as to whether his life without a marriage or children could be truly complete.

“We can always look at others and say, ‘Their life is more life giving’... The truth is, it doesn’t matter.”

He also told the audience about the role of the “if only clause” in his life. Throughout his life, he thought to himself that “if only” he were in the next stage of his life, that things would be better and he would feel more fulfilled.

Examples of such stages include “if only I were in high school,” “if only I could get into college,” “if only I could be more productive and make a difference in the world.”

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name on there and leave a phone number for me and I'll be able to get back to you and respond.

During his talk, Davie outlined what he considers his responsibilities to be as the head football coach at Notre Dame.

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"It took us two years to clean up our act," Floid said. "We proved to the University that we could be responsible, be inclusive of everyone and produce a level of continuity among the staff so that by the time the younger members move into leadership roles, they can continue what we've started." Since the renewed push to move to FM, the station has adopted a number of policies aimed at making it more professional and consistent among the staff. In November 1995, the station instituted massive staff cuts and required everyone to resign and reapply for their positions. The station was designed to streamline the staff and bring greater communication and consistency among co-workers.

The station also instituted longer shifts for the announcers and introduced more conventional music.

"We tried to move away from being a private music club," Floid said. "That's really what we were before."

Lanigan, once critical of the station's lack of professionalism and leadership, is now impressed. "They're really improved," she said. "Their rotation of music is more responsive to their market."

The switch to FM also will require some capital improvements, including the purchase of a 100-watt transmitter, an audio enhancer, emergency situation control equipment and remote control equipment, Lanigan said.

A professional engineer, similarly willing to remain with the station, said there will be a "significant expansion" of the station's broadcast facilities.

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Gingrich takes dramatic stand on new tax reforms

By ROB WILLS
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON

House Speaker Newt Gingrich, staking out a dramatic position on tax reform, said today he favors eliminating capital gains and estate taxes.

"I favor a zero tax on savings and job creation," Gingrich, R-Ga., told a press briefing on tax reform today. "We're for zero tax on death benefits."

"We are going to have a tax cut this year. We hope the president signs it. We favor very low taxes," Gingrich said.

Republicans use the term "savings and job creation" to refer to capital gains, the profits investors reap from sales of stock and properties, while "death taxes" is the term the GOP uses to describe estate taxes, which are paid on property transferred after death.

There are numerous bills introduced in Congress this year which would scale back the 28 percent tax on capital gains, but few go as far as the position stated by Gingrich. There are numerous bills to reduce the bite of estate taxes, which can reach as high as 55 percent but few call for eliminating them altogether.

Gingrich's comments were made after he came under intense criticism by conserva-
tives for suggesting last month that a tax cut could be delayed this year while Congress first works on balancing the budget.

"We will certainly be receptive, and listen, and see how that fits into the contours of a balanced budget and see what tradeoffs exist in making those kinds of agreements," McGurk told reporters.

A House Republican leadership source, who spoke on condition of anonymity, said it's unclear at this point if Gingrich will introduce any legislation to eliminate capital gains and estate taxes.

Gingrich's statement has important implications for the ongoing budget negotiations between Congress and the White House. Any tax cuts of that size would represent a sharp reduction in revenue to the federal government. Gingrich made it clear he intends to use the tax issue to sharpen the differences between core values of Republicans and Democrats.

"We will vote on a tax cut even if President Clinton opposes it," he said.

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FDR family opposes new memorial

WASHINGTON

Just weeks before the FDR Memorial is to open near the National Mall, 16 descendants of Franklin D. Roosevelt said Wednesday the monument should do more to show their grandfather governed from a wheelchair.

Coping with his disability "most likely gave FDR much of the strength, courage and determination that made him the great president and leader he was," the grandchildren wrote in a two-page statement. "It would be a disservice to history and the public's interest if the impact of polio on the man were to be hidden."

The signatories represent more than half of FDR's 25 grandchildren, but they stressed that there is no "family position" on the memorial. They said they were worried that the controversy would "seriously detract from and disrupt the memorial's public dedication ceremony."

Disability groups already have demonstrated at the monument site, and have requested a permit to demonstrate during the dedication. Planning to bring hundreds of activists to town for the occasion.

As now planned, none of the monument's three statues of Roosevelt suggests a wheelchair or the steel braces.

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APPLAUDING COMMITMENT

I was there for the applause when Notre Dame football team raised their Gold headgear to a partial crowd in Sun Devil Stadium after they defeated West Virginia to win the 1988 National Championship. I was deafened by the noise when the Notre Dame Men's Basketball team unseated #1 Ranked North Carolina in the Joyce Center in 1986. I stood in a crowded room of gleeful shouts when the 1995 Women's Soccer Team defeated North Carolina for the National Championship. I threw my arms in the air with exhilaration when my roommate won the first ever swimming race in the new Roll's Aquatic Center. An association with Notre Dame virtually guarantees such experiences of triumph that draw us to spontaneous, fervent, and heartrending response.

In the past three weeks I have had the privilege of witnessing three events on Notre Dame's campus where the reflexive action of those present has equaled or exceeded that of any hallmark athletic event: At his wedding reception, a Notre Dame junior spoke poignantly about the joy that day had brought him, the surety of his love for his wife and the gratitude he felt for the fidelity of his family and friends. His heartfelt sentiment was met with applause. It was not simply a courteous response; it was one of those occasions when people were so moved that we were reluctant to interrupt the pleasure of our own sound of approval . . . During the Easter Vigil, twenty-three men and women were received into the Catholic Church. When they were presented into the community as brothers and sisters baptized and confirmed in our faith, the community's response was electrifying. The polite and somewhat domesticated way that we have more or less been conditioned to behave during liturgy was disregarded for a while as people took to their feet, stood on their toes, stretched their necks trying to see, crashed their hands together and even let out a few whoops and hollers as signs of welcome, approval, and appreciation of these twenty-three men and women . . . Last Sunday four men were ordained as priests in the Sacred Heart Basilica. Once again that building shook from community's response to the "yes" that these men had made to serve God and the people of God.

The applause that rises from athletic achievement is understandable, even predictable. We are well-schooled to seek winning and esteem winners. But why such an overpowering response to Baptism and Confirmation? to Ordination? Certainly the wedding, Vigil, and ordination were packed with family and friends who felt like and in fact do share in the sacred moments of their loved ones. As a community of believers, we are all deeply affected by the actions of one another. It occurs to me that, in part, the thunderous responses to those who received the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Marriage and Holy Orders is tied to a recognition of commitment: theirs to God, God's to them, theirs to us, ours to them, ours to God and God's to us. The signs of the times might mislead us to believe that commitment is out of fashion, that even the most solemn promises are negotiable. So often I hear the critique of students on campus that they or someone else is afraid of commitment. We are starving for signs and models of fidelity, steadfastness, perseverance, and hope. We are hungry for indications that commitment, whether great or small, does not limit our freedom and decrease our available choices in life, rather commitment animates and enlivens us and enriches the choices we make. The actions of the men and women that I have spoken of defy notions that commitment is not real or life-giving. I believe the community's response confirms this to be true and that their lives will bear this out.

An association with Notre Dame provides us with many opportunities for triumph that draw us to spontaneous, fervent and heartrending response. At our fingertips when we will be so moved that we are reluctant to interrupt the pleasure of our own sound of approval. Nowhere is it more readily available than through the exploration and living of commitment: ours to one another, ours to God, and God's to each of us.

Rev. Tom Doyle, C. S. C.
Prosecutor implicates Salinas

By MARK STEVENSON
Associated Press Writer

MEXICO CITY

Former President Carlos Salinas de Gortari knew while he was in office that his older brother may have been implicated in the murder of their former brother-in-law, a prosecutor said Wednesday.

The brother, Raul Salinas, is in jail on trial for masterminding the September 1994 fatal shooting in Mexico City of Jose Francisco Ruiz Massieu, the No. 2 man in the ruling Institutional Party.

Deputy attorney general Jose Luis Ramos Rivera said Carlos Salinas admitted under questioning that Mario Ruiz Massieu, Jose Francisco's brother and the special prosecutor handling the case at the time, informed him in October 1994 that Raul's name had come up several times during the investigation of the case.

Carlos Salinas told Mario Ruiz Massieu "to act according to law," Ramos Rivers said.


He was questioned in Dublin, Ireland, by officials of the Mexican attorney general's office on Jan. 27 of this year.

Ramos Rivera did not say outright there may have been a cover-up. But this is the first time evidence has been made public by Mexican authorities involving the former president.

The disclosure is one of 16 pieces of evidence that Ramos Rivera said prosecutors are introducing before court in the murder case against Raul.

Jose Francisco Ruiz Massieu, a former governor of southern Guerrero state, was married for a time with Adriana Salinas, the sister of Carlos and Raul.

Another item of evidence appears to have been hidden by later prosecutors for nearly two years, Ramos Rivera said.

It was the first international flight dispatched by Saddam since the U.N. Security Council banned flights in and out of his country after Iraq's 1990 invasion of Kuwait.

In New York, the U.S. ambassador to the United Nations, Bill Richardson, called the flight a "flagrant violation" of U.N. sanctions. He said the United States, which monitors the Persian Gulf region with ships, aircraft and sophisticated equipment, would demand a strong statement from the Security Council condemning it.

Saddam was following the lead of Libyan ruler Muammar Gadhafi, whose country also is under a U.N. air embargo. Gadhafi has played to Islamic sympathies by flying Muslims to the Saudi pilgrimage.

Each time, the Security Council has ruled the flights in violation of sanctions but issued only mild rebukes.
Blizzards and overflowing rivers damage Plains states

By TED ANTHONY
Associated Press Writer

HARWOOD, N.D. - Crews used dynamite Wednesday to clear jams clogging flood-swollen rivers in an attempt to drain off water threatening two of the states hardest hit by the blizzard.

States like Minnesota and North Dakota face a tough challenge as they try to deal with the combination of snow and rising water. The region's worst flooding in decades is getting worse, with heavy snow in Minnesota's Twin Cities area expected to hit later this week.

In North Dakota, the state Milk Marketing Board wants to drop the premium that is over and above a base formula price determined by the federal government. The board hopes this will allow farmers to continue to pay farmers a premium that is over and above the base formula price determined by the federal government.

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THE OBSERVER

The summer before his sophomore year of high school, he and his best friend got into a fight, and to get back at him his friends and peers; that most of them weren't the least bit troubled by the perception of Jim told me that it was not enough, that I needed to "get hail" to be normal.

High school is a tough time anyway, especially as far as sex is concerned. As the product of oh-so-Iliberal Catholic education I had at best a vague understanding of sexuality. The only practical information I gained about sex I drew from my friends and peers; that most of them knew no more than I did didn't matter. What mattered was only that they looked like they knew, they looked so as if they weren't the least bit troubled by the questions that plagued me constantly. So what was wrong with me?

Of course, now I like to think that I've left such pain and confusion behind me. I have met the woman I intend to marry and have earned a pat on the top of the pile and have earned a pat on my back. Some have argued that I am heterosexual. Fine. Do you know what I think about that? It's crap.

"Why should I care?" you ask. I'll be happily married by the time I got out of college — my "sw اوaking" is over with, and I've won! Everything's okay after all, right? Wrong. It's not okay.

I and my other heterosexual on this planet must realize that it's not okay; that in fact our society is severely and painfully screwed up. We need to realize that conventionally acceptable things are poison to our children, already unsure of themselves and their sexual identities. I can just say that it's my problem and dance ofT into a happy marriage. The research of sexuality. The only practical information I gained about sex I drew from my friends and peers; that most of them knew no more than I did didn't matter. What mattered was only that they looked like they knew, they looked so as if they weren't the least bit troubled by the questions that plagued me constantly. So what was wrong with me?

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"The perception of beauty is a moral test."

—Henry David Thoreau

Mick Swiney is a sophomore Arts & Letters major.
Apocalyptica

Finally! It's the Finnish metal/string-quartet crossover album that I've been waiting for! Well, actually, I'd be lying to you if I pretended to ever expect an album like this. Last year, I was driving at night across rural Canada listening to a "Scandinavian Spotlight" show on Toronto's CFNY. After the obligatory Cardigans track, the DJ dropped the Apocalyptica bomb on the turntable. The fury of four Vikings pounding "Enter Sandman" out of vintage velvet celloshammered the stuffy air of my car and rattled the screws in the side paneling. It flat out rocked. Now, Mercury Records releases this string and bow thunder in the United States, pumping out a CD that can simultaneously appeal to the classical kids in Crenwly Hall and the malcontents that shop in Spencer Gifts.

Don't think of this album as one of those Grange Lite or Moog Cookbook-type CDs, where cheeseball keyboard musicians solemnly lock open rock hits to elevator-safe levels. Apocalyptica's cello treatment fails to fit the description of "light and airy." Helpless strings are viciously plucked, tapped, and bowed to recreate the deep rumble of Lars Ulrich's drums, and the sound is the first time that cello "riffing" can cause people to pump their fist in the air. Apocalyptica stick to the meat and potatoes of the Metallica catalog. In other words, the wisely keep away from Load. The older "Master of Puppets," "Creeping Death" and "Heaven Can Wait," are simply awesome, as Max Ilja, Antero Manninen, Paavo Loijnen and Eicca Toppinen masterfully cover every inch-change, drum roll, ringing air, finger-striking solo, and vocal melody. Obviously, the mood of the album is best dubbed "dubious." The honestly beautiful "The Unforgiven" is a testament to Metallica's songwriting ability. Apocalyptica's skill repels any label of "punk" or "joke." Can I be the first critic to ever call a classical quartet "rad"?

by Brent DiCrescenzo

John Kennedy

I'll Learn to Fly

John Kennedy, director of the arts and letters computing department, grew up in South Bend. He attended Notre Dame for both his bachelor's and doctorate degrees. For almost 10 years, he played guitar, sang, and led the traditional Irish band Seamaun. In that time, he got heavily involved in the local music and recording scene.

Since the group disbanded in 1995, he has concentrated more on his singing, and on his own songs. His first solo release, I'll Learn to Fly, is just that, solo. Almost every song is only Kennedy and his guitar. Occasionally he is joined by cellist Steven Horst to give some low-end to a song. Make no mistake, this is not a revamped Seamaun album. Unlike the roaring, instrumental blasts that typified Seamaun's performance, Kennedy is much more quiet and subdued. This makes for a good performance in his venue of choice, Barnes and Noble. Kennedy plays there every Wednesday evening. He still performs Irish music from time to time at a gig in The Electric Brew in Goshen, on the last Friday and Saturday of every month.

But, on this new solo album, his vocals almost disappear behind an ethereal guitar. The only thing that gives some of these songs any meat is the cello. It embellishes the sometimes invisible guitar lines in each song. Each song sounds quite a bit like the previous one, and all of them are highlighted by Kennedy's over-articulated crooning and soft arpeggiated chords.

The album was rated among the top 10 folk albums of the year by WYFE 88.1 FM. However, it seems to have no real variety beyond different words. There are some interesting word constructions and stories that run through songs, such as the ones in songs like "Old Jacob." The album earns its stars on the strength of the fact that it is a local, low tech recording that actually sounds like a produced studio album. It is a little quiet and light, but for a fan of folk music, it is a quality album.

by Matt Loughran

Sneaker Pimps

Becoming X

If you are an admirer of Portishead's seminal "Dummy," then this new album will probably be worth a look. Owing much to the aforementioned Bristol-based trip-hoppers and to Tricky; the Sneaker Pimps give us their take on relaxed, mellow music and make a strong claim for status as developing stars. They are helped by the inclusion of one absolutely superb track, "6 Underground," which already takes its place as one of the singles of the year. Smooth, well-written, and yet not without a certain tension ("don't think because I understand, I care" breathes the vocalist), it dominates all other tunes and sets the standard by which they may be judged.

Owing to this fact, however, the album cannot be classified as brilliant. "6 Underground" displays the band at their best, but inevitably causes everything else to be seen as inferior. And this is a shame, because many other tracks are very good indeed. "How Do" and "Roll On" deserve a special mention for their melodiousness and great production.

Combining cool samples with odd, edgy noises which dart across their surfaces, both tracks draw on influences as diverse as the tranquility of the calmest ambulance and the harshness of Skinny Puppy and other industrialists.

Vocals throughout the album are well suited to the mood created by the creaking, backing, but sometimes one wonders whether a vocalist with a deeper power to her voice would have been to greater effect. Despite this, however, we are faced with a collection which, while lacking a little originality, is enjoyable and deserving of many listenings.

In short, the Pimps' (as they shall be known) emulation of Portishead succeeds in that they achieve a similar sexy sound, but fails due their inability to match the consistant brilliance of their predecessor.

by Julian Elliott

Upcoming concerts in Chicago and south bend

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**THE WRENS**

The Wrens could quite possibly be the best pop-rock band in America. A motley mix of the pixies and Archers of Loaf, these Jersey rockers push the limits of sing-along rock-and-roll like The Beatles, the pop-rock band in America. A molten mix of vocalists, and more hooks per song than you can shake a stick at. The bass player runs in jelly legs, every track is a jazz album set against the music that evokes the music that evokes the music that evokes the music that evokes the music.
Bookstore Basketball XXVI begins

Photos by Brandon Candura
Lindros receives first suspension for high-sticking

PHILADELPHIA

By JOHN F. BONFATTI
 Associated Press Writer

Eric Lindros has been suspended two games and fined $2,000 for two high-sticking incidents in the Philadelphia Flyers game Monday night against the New York Rangers. The Flyers captain will miss Thursday’s home game against the Rangers and Saturday night’s road game against Montreal. It’s the first suspension in his five-year NHL career.

The loss of their best player comes at a crucial time for the Flyers, who need to win their final three regular-season games to be assured of first place and the top playoff seed in the Eastern Conference.

“What the league ruled is what we have to live with,” said Flyers general manager Bob Clarke Wednesday. “We’ll just go about our business and try to win our last three games.”

The suspension, announced by the league Wednesday, stems from the two double-minor penalties Lindros received during the game. He broke the nose of Shane Churla with one high-stick, then cut the face of Ulf Samuelsson with another one late in the game.

Lindros, who has 31 goals and 46 assists in 51 games this season, spoke earlier in the day on the possibility of league action.

“...it’s an isolated incident,” he said. “It happened once. I never swung my stick before. I never attempted to hurt anybody and have never been suspended for anything.”

NHL vice president Brian Burke termed Lindros’ high-stick of Churla “reckless and dangerous,” adding, “It is clear that his actions against Mr. Churla were not defensive in nature. Burke said the shot Lindros gave Samuelsson was “more of a defensive action than offense. Nonetheless, this type of conduct can not be tolerated.”

Lindros, who missed 28 games earlier this year with various injuries, has a dramatic impact on the Flyers. Over his five years in Philadelphia, they are 34-39-8 without him in the lineup.

After taking a number of hits he felt were illegal but weren’t called penalties against the Rangers, Lindros went after Churla in the second period, taking a four-minute high-sticking penalty when he broke the Ranger tough guy’s nose. Trailing 2-1 at the time, the Rangers scored twice while Lindros was in the box and won 3-2. Lindros then punctuated his frustration at the end of the game by cross-checking Samuelsson in the chin, opening a gash that took 15 stitches to close.

Lindros has learned to keep his composure in his five years as a pro, and is willing to let others fight his battles — assuming he has teammates willing to do so. When none do, it’s Lindros’ nature to take matters into his own hands.

In the offseason, the Flyers brought in three enforcers — Daniel Lacouture, Dan Kordic and Scott Daniels — with the idea that somebody would stand up for Lindros, but that didn’t happen against the Rangers.
Netters secure close victory over Wildcats, 4-3

By JIM ZALETA
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame men's tennis team improved its record to 16-4 Wednesday with a tight 4-3 victory over the Northwestern Wildcats. They have won seven of their last eight matches, with the sole loss coming in the semifinals of the Blue-Gray Classic.

"We had to keep fighting hard to win this match," senior co-captain Marco Magnano said after the match. "Either team could beat the other on any given day." The eleventh-ranked Irish secured the win with a come-from-behind victory at the No. 5 spot by junior Danny Rothschild. Freshman Ryan Sachire also helped out in the victory. "I served well, and I kept him running," said Sachire.

He had a two set victory over Alex Witt. Witt was defeated by Jakub Pietrowski earlier in the season in the quarterfinals of the Boex National Championships. Sachire iced Witt out, making him run up to the net and to the corners of the court. The second set went fast as Sachire beat Witt 6-3, 6-1. The two big wins that led Notre Dame to victory were in the No. 4 and 5 singles. No. 4 seed sophomore Brian Patterson thought Ryan Tarpely would be an easy match after winning the first set 6-1. Tarpely was not going to go down easily though, turning the tables on Patterson, winning the middle set 6-1. The final set was neck and neck throughout, but Patterson turned up the heat and raced off with the victory. The third set started off slow, but Patterson sped off winning it 6-3. "My patience was working best for me today," said Patterson. "He hits extremely hard, and it doesn't matter how good someone is because they are bound to miss." Rothschild's match proved to be the clincher. In the first set, Rothschild competed in a somewhat conservative game, playing laid back and forcing Doug Rohaboy to make mistakes. Rothschild took the first set 6-1. Rohaboy came out strong, taking a 3-0 lead in the second set before finally winning it 6-3. Rothschild came back to tie the deciding set at 5-5. With his teammates offering encouragement from the observation deck, the Notre Dame junior pulled in the victory for the Irish, giving them the fourth point. Junior Jakob Pietrowski had a tough match against Marc Silva. In a match of muscles, Silva proved to be victorious, defeating Pietrowski at the No. 2 singles spot, 7-6, 6-3. No. 3 seed senior Ryan Simme gave up a 5-0 lead in the first set to lose in a tiebreaker, 7-6 to Martin Bengtsson. The second set was tight throughout, but Bengtsson came out with the 6-3 victory. Junior Eric Elevin had a tough welcome back after sitting out last Saturday's match against Purdue. Elevin faced Richard Preschem at No. 6 singles. Elevin lost in two sets, 6-4, 6-4. In the doubles portion of the match, the Irish came out strong with a quick 8-1 win in the No. 1 slot. Pietrowski and Patterson were unstoppable. The eighteenth-ranked pair proved why they are believed to be a contender in the NCAA doubles tournament.

Sachire and fellow freshman Trent Miller couldn't handle the harsh serves delivered by Witt and Prechem. "Those guys hit harder than anyone we have played against all year," Miller said. "We had too many unforced errors." The No. 3 doubles team of Simme and Rothschild had a close match until the Irish took charge to defeat Tarpely and Bengtsson, 8-4.

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D O I N G  I T  . . .

Some people relish new challenges. Sara Gage most definitely is one of these special people.

Gage’s friends will tell you that her engine is always running. Her energy, passion, and curiosity have led her to try a wide variety of campus athletic activities. Presently, she is a member of the Ultimate Frisbee Team and co-captain of Interhall Cross-Country. Gage has also played Interhall Softball and Basketball.

Considering the zeal with which Gage attacks athletics, one would think she has no time to do anything else. Wrong! Her 3.5 GPA in History serves notice that her enthusiasm for life extends to academics.

“Sports are a good way to relax and to get out of academics for a while,” Gage says. “It’s physical exertion, but not mental. I’m doing something productive, but I don’t have to think about it.”

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allows the "skill" position players to shine.

In the first few weeks of spring practice, not all of the special teams units have seen action because of vast areas of adjustments that are being made to the offensive and defensive schemes.

However, there is one very important special teams position for which the battle has already begun: Senior Scott Cengia, junior Kevin Kopka, and sophomore Jim Sanson are all in the running for the placekicking job.

Each of the players has a significant amount of experience, and each has seen his share of ups and downs during his career at Notre Dame.

Kopka, who had a rocky freshman season before a knee injury kept him out of action in 1996, is healthy again and has been looking strong at practice.

"I'm feeling pretty good," Kopka commented. "My knee's healing up real well."

Cengia is also healthy again, and according to head coach Bob Davie, the race for the starting spot is on.

"I want to get it to one kicker if I can," explained Davie. "There's competition there. We shut practices from now until Georgia Tech. It's probably dead even right now."

Kopka acknowledged that all of the kickers are having a strong spring.

"I've been hitting the ball real well," said Kopka, "but so have all of the other guys out there."

"It's remarkable," said Davie of the kicking practice. "It really does verify that competition raises the level everybody plays at. It's just a matter of getting the right one and giving him the confidence where he doesn't feel like the manager's coming out to put in a relief pitcher."

The other half of the kicking duties will most likely fall on the shoulders of Hunter Smith. Although backup punter Chris Wachtel will be returning in the fall, Smith is considered a lock for the job.

Smith indicated that improving his hang time and placement were his goals for the spring. Although the junior has a shot at All-American honors in 1997, he placed more emphasis on the aims of the entire punt coverage unit.

"We definitely want to be in the top five or 10 in net punting," stated Smith. "If we can do that as a team, then the personal accolades will come."

The next thing Davie must consider is coverage, and the first year coach is confident that this should not be a problem.

"I have my hopes up," Davie admitted, "because one of the signs of a great defensive team is you've got a lot of players who can run down on kickoffs and punts. It's all the same style of player you're looking for. Those young linebacker-type players are the ones."

Some of the players that Davie included in his list of special teams types were Ronnie Wachtel, Antwone Wellington, Joe Thomas, and Joey Ferrer. These players were counted on to keep the defensive front, which was weakened by graduation, out of sticky situations.

The final special teams unit will be doing all that it can to corner opposing defenses in their own territory. Lou Holtz's punt and kick return teams had a great deal of success over the years. Davie understands this and sees no reason to alter the things that have worked in the past.

"I think scheme-wise," said Davie, "we'll probably stay the same. We've been very successful with that. Those schemes have been tested over time."

When asked what the key to the return teams was, Davie pointed to the few players who do actually get credit for their special teams work.

"Face it," Davie asserted, "the key to any return unit is who's returning. With Allen Rossum coming back and Asey Denson and Shannon Stephens, I don't want to change things. We've been successful."

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While they may not receive any of the headlines or win any honors for outstanding performance in a particular game, the special teams units just might be the most significant group of players on the entire 1997 Irish squad. As the season approaches, it is they who will allow Davie and his staff to focus on "more important" things.

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NFL bails out floundering CFL

Associated Press
TORONTO
The NFL provided the financially strapped Canadian Football League with $3 million on Wednesday, an agreement that will give the NFL the right to use the CFL to develop players.

"We want to see football succeed wherever it's played," NFL commissioner Paul Tagliabue said.

The CFL is an exciting brand of football with a rich history and a unique style of play. We believe a strong, vibrant CFL is very important for the sport.

Other elements of the agreement:
• The NFL will consider playing regular-season games in Toronto and Vancouver.
• The CFL will try to ease the way in which its players are signed by NFL teams.
• An annual game will be played between the champion of the CFL-sponsored World League and the CFL's Grey Cup winner.

The NFL has declined in the past to expand into Canada, citing agreements with the CFL. This agreement will, in effect, allow the NFL to use the CFL to develop players, much as it has used the World League.

The NFL aid, which will be paid this year in U.S. dollars but cover a five-year period, will help the CFL market its product. NFL staff members will spend time at the CFL's Toronto headquarters.

"I believe this is a very good day for Canadian football in Canada and a good day for football in Canada," CFL chairman John Tory said.

"We have great new partners who love our game for what it is. Not better, not worse, but unique and different."
We were all showering, and we started to talk basketball. And the rest is history," he said.

Some are still searching for that fifth and final ingredient. "We put together a team from the veterans of last year," said sophomore Frank Law. "But in bringing the team together, we realized we are one short of the five needed."

In the end, the team with the best redpe will end up with the prize. Will a combination of old and new win out over random selection? That and several other mixtures, will fight it out on the courts in the next few weeks.

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Wolverines next on tap for Irish

By ALLISON KRILLA
Sports Writer

Coming off a two-game sweep of Big East foe Providence before a hometown crowd, the Notre Dame softball team travels to Michigan today for a doubleheader against the mighty Wolverines.

The non-conference games against the Big Ten's top team in 1996 will be a tune-up for the Irish, who play four games this weekend against conference rival Villanova.

"It would be easy to look ahead to the weekend games vs. Villanova, but we need these games to improve," said freshman Tara King.

"Michigan is a team we would usually only see in the (NCAA) regional[s], so it's good to get a leg up on the postseason competition, especially with wins (today)," said junior pitcher Kelly Nichols.

Michigan's high powered offense will keep Notre Dame on its toes, as the Wolverines return 12 letterwinners from last year's 51-14 squad.

"(Michigan) will be tough competition," said King, who went 2-4 in game one against Providence.

"If we hit the way we have been, we'll have no problems," Meghan Murray looks to continue her hot hitting against the Maize and Blue. Murray leads an imposing Irish lineup that pounded out 30 hits, including a season high 16 hits in game one.

The team also recorded season highs in doubles (five) and triples (three) against the Lady Friars.

"We got into a groove, and everyone has found their swing," said King.

Although the Irish have excelled at the plate, defense will be key if they are to defeat the Wolverines at Alumni Field in Ann Arbor.

"In practice, we worked on defense because we know that Michigan is a good hitting team that will put the ball in play," said Nichols. "If we can cut down on errors and jump out ahead from the start, we'll do well."

While the offense provided a cushion for the pitching staff, Notre Dame's hurlers looked exceptionally sharp against Providence. Jay Batterby threw seven strong innings in game one, allowing four runs to cross the plate and fanning eight. Kelly Nichols stopped the Lady Friars in game two, a 9-1 victory for Notre Dame.

Nichols increased her overall record to 6-4 with six strikeouts on that day.

"The pitching staff is more confident that we can back them up with runs and defense," said King. "They're not scared to throw pitches, because if the other team gets hits, they are confident that our hitting will come through."

Nichols agrees that the impressive offensive performance has helped the staff.

"It's helpful when you know you're ahead. You can try more things without the fear that every pitch has to be perfect," Nichols said.

With consistent bats and strong pitching performances, the Irish hope to improve on their 18-16 record, one game at a time.

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6-1 run to start the second half.

The same was true in their last game against Hofstra. The Irish pulled to a 7-6 lead before eventually winning that contest, 10-9.

Yesterday's win was Notre Dame's first in the Great Western Lacrosse League this season. Should the Irish defeat the other two members of the conference, Air Force and Ohio State, they will be awarded a bid in the NCAA tournament.

The Irish are riding a five-game winning streak and are serious contenders for a national title, but they need to find consistency if they are to win their remaining games.

And although such close wins are suspenseful and exciting, Irish coach Kevin Corrigan probably would not mind a boring 14-0 blowout.

The team plays host to the Air Force tomorrow for a doubleheader.

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Celebrate!

The following members of the Notre Dame and St. Mary's community will be Confirmed in the Roman Catholic Church:

- Emily Affeldt, Juanita Alejandro, Angela Anderson, Cheryl Asci, Lisa Bugni, Antonia Dey, Jamie Fanning, James Fees, Jeff Fox, Megan Gallagher, Cynthia Garcia, Wendy Gebert, Jalaiama Graham, Christina Hernandez-Kolski, Meghan Lynch, Elizabeth Moriarty, Kelly Puzio, Mark Tate, Nicole Varner, Carmen Walker, Rebecca Welch, Kathryn Weston-Overbey

Rite of Confirmation and Mass
Sunday, April 13, 1997
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Basilica of the Sacred Heart
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DEAR EUGENIA I saw your horoscope on April 11, 1996, at 2:00 AM. I am supposed to have a great time this year. Can you tell me what? 

Amara Ali

DEAR ANONYMOUS ARIES: Happy Birthday! You never were with a friend to the end, and now with this one you won't be a friend at all! However, you will be experiencing a great time in the next 12 months as your birth chart indicates. This is likely due to your Natal Neptune and Venus. This actually occurred over the last 12 months. February and early March, and September and October of this year. This particular time will be in an area of your chart that deals with partnerships, travel, communication, and getting help to people to achieve your goals. The one thing that I find with chart patterns in these areas is that there is a tendency to want to do things your own way, and this is fine. However, you must make sure that you do not put others first at the expense of your own needs. 

TAURUS: April 20-May 20: Follow your heart by ignoring your business ventures. False information will lead you to talk in circles and this will not help you move forward. 

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Understand your environment and be aware of what others are saying. 

BORN TODAY: You will have so many ideas and not enough time to follow through with all that you want to do this year. Set your priorities straight or you will find the year ahead frustrating and uneventful. 

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Keep an open mind because many good things will happen to you even though you probably do not expect it. 

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): You may need to take a vacation to make you feel good. Your diplomatic nature will help you get involved in competitive sports with clients. They will appreciate your determination and plentiful nature. 

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You may jump from the frying pan into the fire if you make a move today. Someone may not be thinking of your best interest. 

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Be careful not to let someone take you by surprise. Your diplomatic nature will help you get involved in competitive sports with clients. They will appreciate your determination and plentiful nature. 

OF INTEREST

Marjorie Castle, visiting professor from the department of government and international studies at the Kellogg Institute, will be presenting a lecture entitled "The New Reagan Era: Rising America and New Victories: An Organizational Analysis of Successor Parties in Eastern Europe," the talk will be held on Thurs., April 10, at 4:10 p.m. in room 203 of the Hesburgh Center for International Studies.

John Mihov, Director of the Economic Programme at the Inter-Church Coalition on Africa, Toronto, will give a lecture entitled "The World Bank in Africa: Time to Reconsider Its Role." The talk is co-sponsored by the Kroc Institute and BOTCl, and will be held on Fri., April 11, at 9:30 a.m. in room 219, Hesburgh Center for International Studies.

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Irish put the bite on Bulldogs, 13-10

By ERIK KUSHTO
Sports Writer

Notre Dame games are legendary for exciting and dramatic endings. And though the "luck of the Irish" has evaded the football team the last few seasons, the men's lacrosse team has had no trouble picking up the slack.

Such was the case when they carried their 5-1 record and No. 8 ranking to "Moose" Krause Field versus ninth-ranked Butler Wednesday night. The Irish defeated the Bulldogs 13-10. The two previous games for the lacrosse team ended in one-point Irish victories. It appeared that the Irish would avoid such a close contest, as they led by as much as 11-5 with less than three minutes left in the third quarter. The Bulldogs came storming back — coming within a point of the home team with 3:22 left in the game.

The Irish were able to regroup, however, with goals by Jimmy Keenan and Chris Duseau in the waning minutes of the match to seal the win.

"We are playing well for about 45 minutes a game," said Irish coach Kevin Corrigan. "We are hurting the other 15 minutes. We are giving the other team too many chances. We just can't seem to hold our concentration, and we just give it away."

But, when the Irish do maintain their concentration, their play is spectacular. Notre Dame had a 4-0 run over the Bulldogs early in the game and scored the winning goal on a Jim Sanson free position shot with less than three minutes left.

Junior Jimmy Keenan scored a goal in the final minutes of yesterday's match to seal the win for the Irish.