Halloween: From Heaven or Hell*

By HEATHER MACKENZIE
Associate News Editor

Today, costumed children all over the country are using hulking threats and scare tactics to persuade stingy adults to hand over expensive pre-packaged sugar.

Trick or treat, it is Halloween, and the jacks-o-lanterns, witches and black cats that represent the holiday grace doorsteps and storefronts of America.

But what is everyone really celebrating on the night of Halloween?

More than 2,000 years ago, the Celts honored the sun god and the lord of death with a festival called Samhain, during the "end of summer," Samhain began as the new set on Oct. 31, and ended with a feast on the night of Nov. 1, which marked the beginning of winter, or what the Celts referred to as the "season of death."

Many scholars think that this ancient Celtic festival is the precursor for the contemporary celebration of Halloween. In fact, many popular Christian holidays have roots in more secular festivities.

"It was quite common for the Church to take such pagan festivals and Christianize them," said Jay Dolan, a professor of history at Notre Dame.

During the Celtic festival, sacrifices were offered to the Celtic god of death so that the sins of ancestors would be expiated and their souls freed. According to Proinsias MacCana, author of "Celtic Mythology," "criminals were put into cages shaped like animals and burned by Druid priests."

The lord of death then judged the souls and decided what form of existence they would continue as, with the soul of the wicked being "condemned to the bodies of animals."

During the Middle Ages, however, the influence of Christianity changed the pagan ritual of Samhain. In the 7th century, Pope Boniface IV added All Saint's Day to the calendar as a festival to honor all known and unknown saints who had not previously received recognition.

In 835, Pope Gregory moved the holiday from its original placement on May 13 to Nov. 1, essentially replacing the Samhain festival with a Christian celebration.

"All Saint's Day is an important part of our Christian year," explained Father Theobald Hesburgh. "A different saint is honored every day of the year. All saints' is a day of remembrance for all those who were not necessarily canonized formally by the Church."

The evening before All Saint's

Carroll: Catholics must resist violence

By MATTHEW LOUGHRAN
Associate News Editor

Unless American citizens speak out against continued dependence on nuclear weapons by the United States government, the threat of a nuclear holocaust has not ended with the Cold War, according to Catholic priest turned author and columnist James Carroll.

Carroll lectured in the Center For Continuing Education yesterday as part of the Chadwah Center for the Study of American Catholicism. He used his experience as an anti-war activist during the 1960s and 1970s to illustrate how he thought that the government, if left to its own devices, could betray the people that it represents.

"We know what kind of tragic days those were," Carroll said. "But the real tragedy was Richard Nixon's prolongation of a war that the American people had rejected. History will judge us hardly for allowing an illegal and immoral war to continue for years."

He indicated that he believed the Vietnam War could have ended in 1968 after President Lyndon Johnson announced he would not run for a second term, renouncing American involvement in the war when Sen. Eugene McCarthy announced his candidacy.

"We went out to get the records, the two men that were standing there walked up, along with the priest, and opened drawers of draft records," he recalled. "They then pulled vials from their coats, opened them and poured blood all over the records. They said that it was an example of the American and Vietnamese blood that was being spilled in the war. Then they sat down on the bench and waited to see CARROLL / page 9
No more Core: Trick or treat?

Yesterday, my friend told me that he has decided to organize a community service project and let us know that after a discussion of Alex Kotlowitz’s book “There Are No Children Here,” he felt compelled to do more than just prattle about urban decay. Of course, his latent passion for social responsibility is partly inspired by the Arts and Letters Course.

I’ve taken a class I’ve taken. Not only is there a chalice, wine, a plate of cookies and a bowl of fruit, but the Statue of Liberty in the park. Also parading among the protesters were puppets of Jiang and he is Tiananmen Square,” said junior Nerrisa Whittington, referred to the suppression of students in 1989. “We have a really large turnout today and hopefully we are bringing some attention to this problem.”

Mitchell Krupa said. During the positive results of the program, members say "It's a nice to know there's people around you who you can identify with. Despite the positive results of the program, members say that they have had a really large turnout today and hopefully we are bringing some attention to this problem.

The Boulder Pagan Alliance hosts monthly drum gatherings, which Stott says draws about 80 to 200 followers. Colorado has a large pagan population, which Stott estimates at 2,500.

According to the New York Times, the reason for the increase in neo-pagans in Colorado rests in the state’s traditional tolerance for unorthodox religion. It is also a result of counter-culture migrants who were attracted to Colorado in the ’60s by its cheap land, relative isolation and a culture friendly to unorthodox religions.

On Friday, many pagans will host rituals celebrating Samhain, a Celtic word meaning “summer’s end.” This day is the end of the Celtic year. In the past, priests celebrated a festival of the Goddess of bounty and God of Winter, marking the year’s transition. Druid priests built protective border, believing that the Celts were trouble on Samhain. Priests also made sacrifices to animals, crops, and people, seeking to appease the sun god.

Samhain is the day when the veil between the world of the living and the dead is the thinnest, and pagans honor those who have passed away, Stott said. According to a Samhain Web site www.ohio.net/-jestes/samhain1.html pagans once believed that ghosts, many of which were evil, could be seen walking through graveyards on Samhain.

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Inside Column

“Outside the Dome

Boulder Pagan Alliance offers alternatives for Halloween

BOULDER, Colo. A Barbie doll and Bullwinkle the mouse, the goddess and god of the ceremony, sit on the altar amid candles, a chalice, wine, a plate of cookies and a bowl of fruit. Subtract the Barbie, the mouse and the light-hearted pagan laughter, and the room and its occupants could easily pass as a Catholic altar.

Warren Stott, priest and co-founder of the Boulder Pagan Alliance, took part in the ceremony and says that the levity and joy in the funny side of the human experience is one of the appeals of paganism. Stott describes paganism as a natural, pre-Christian religion that has supplanted the one of the fastest growing religions in the country.

The Boulder Pagan Alliance has been the most valuable part of my Notre Dame education, and I can honestly say the Arts and Letters program has been the most valuable part of my Notre Dame education, and I can honestly say.

Michelle Krupa
George McGovern spoke yesterday about his book concerning his daughter's struggle with alcoholism.

The passing years were especially difficult for Terry, McGovern said, since she was struggling not only with alcoholism, but also with clinical depression, which was first diagnosed in her at the age of 15. He especially remembered going with her to an AA meeting open to non-alcoholics, and seeing her unhappy when the others present would testify to how their lives had improved since they had found sobriety.

"The truth is that life was not that big a deal for Terry when she was sober because of the depression," he said.

Her alcoholism separated her from her husband and two children, and ended with her tragic death.

McGovern emphasized the need for more funding in the study and treatment of alcoholism as a disease. He also spoke about the need for parents to do what they can to keep their children from falling into alcohol abuse as his daughter did.

"Tough love is important," he said, "but you can’t forget about the ‘love’ part... You especially need it if you are sick."
celebrations of Halloween reflect more pagan ideals? Why, then, do contemporary Americans encourage the abandonment of pagan rituals in recognizing this holy day.

Sandak. Hallo craft, many of the traditions were linked to the spirit of the dead, he said. “If a house was not decorated for Halloween, then ghosts did not award the occupants food and grace.” He added that ghosts did not wake up the sleeping and trick them during the night.

The phrase “trick-or-treating” has several explanations. According to Sandak, the Celts left out food for the spirits, hoping that a “trick” would prevent an evil “trick.” But Robert J. Myers, author of “The Complete Book of American Holidays,” believes the phase has Irish origins.

“Poor farmers would go to the homes of the rich and ask for food,” he quoted. “If they were not given anything, they would play tricks on them during the night. In the morning, the rich would awaken and think that ghosts has played tricks on them. Eventually they learned that ghosts did not eat away. Halloween has come to be a mostly American-celebrated holiday, and has lost almost all its religious significance in the wake of the commercialism that surrounds the celebration.

“While the imagination can run wild with all the things the dead would come on nights of Hallo, a time to remember the life of the dead,” he said. “trick-or-treating” is an expression of Christian hope.”

But within the realm of Christianity there exist many critics who feel that modern celebrations of Halloween are expressly against Christian teaching; celebrations of Halloween only promote the worship of Satan.’

Gloria Phillips, member of Bay View Church, thinks that traditional American symbols and celebrations of the holiday are expressly against the word of God.

Although American culture has regained more of the pagan aspects of Halloween, the holiday does not displease Christian teaching.

“The best fun is not necessarily pagan,” she said. “You can have a good time and be doing good things, too.”

According to Father Brian Foley, a professor of theology at Notre Dame, “trick-or-treating” is an expression of Christian hope.

Friday, October 31, 1997
American leaders greet Jiang

Questions, doubts surround first visit
since Tiananmen massacre in 1989

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Confronting some of his harshest critics, Chinese President Jiang Zemin defended Beijing’s human rights record Thursday amid blunt questions about allegations of forced abortions, religious persecution and the sale of organs from executed prisoners.

Winding up a two-day visit to Washington, Jiang told members of Congress that since China opened to the world in the 1970s, “The Chinese people have enjoyed a much better life, and it has intensified efforts to improve democracy and the legal system.”

From Capitol Hill to the White House, Democrats and Republicans closed ranks to raise candid concerns about China as Washington and Beijing end eight years of diplomatic estrangement. House Speaker Newt Gingrich said Jiang was “very vigorous in defending some positions we don’t agree with.”

“Get him from the president and now he got it from Congress,” said Senate Democratic leader Tom Daschle a day after Jiang heard a lecture about human rights from President Clinton.

Jiang, the first Chinese leader welcomed in Washington since the 1989 Tiananmen Square massacre, headed from Washington to Philadelphia to visit such symbols of American democracy as the Liberty Bell and Independence Hall. On Friday, Jiang will be in New York, which will step into the heart of American capitalism and ring the opening bell at the stock exchange.

Unlike Wednesday when hundreds protested in Lafayette Park, and a handful of demonstrators shadowed Jiang’s steps, Thursday in Washington, protest leaders said they were focusing their efforts on rallies in Philadelphia.

The Chinese leader concluded his visit to the capital with a speech acknowledging that relations with the United States have been marked with “extravagance and contacts, confrontation and cooperation, friction and harmony.”

“Different views held by countries on the human rights issue ought to be addressed through dialogue so confrontation could be avoided,” Jiang said.

Addressing American trade concerns, Jiang pledged to “open China still wider to the outside world.”

Jiang, in his speech, said China had improved human rights and ended slavery in Tibet, comparing Beijing’s action to “the liberation of black slaves in American history.” After China’s intervention, the people of Tibet are “living and working in happiness and contentment,” the Chinese leader said.

Despite the strongly held views on Capitol Hill, the Chinese leader appeared to make some headway in a breakfast with about 50 members of Congress.

“I think frankly the president’s comments about democracy and the

Speaker of the House Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., gave a tour yesterday of the U.S. Capitol in Washington, D.C. to Chinese President Jiang Zemin as Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott (right), R-Miss., looks on. Jiang wrapped up the official portion of his U.S. tour with a breakfast with Congressional leaders before departing to Philadelphia, Pa., for a sightseeing trip.

American leaders warn against delays

By DOUGLAS JEHIL

Associated Press Writer

JERUSALEM

To considerable American impatience, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and his top advisers are wrestling to resolve Israel’s stance on issues that were supposed to be discussed with the Palestinians in Washington this week.

The disagreement in Netanyahu’s governing coalition has already forced postponement of the talks and prompted Secretary of State Madeleine Albright to warn that “time is kind of piling out.”

Before a seven-hour meeting of Netanyahu’s security Cabinet Wednesday, Albright telephoned him to counsel against further delay. Israeli officials said later that Foreign Minister David Levy, the Israeli negotiator, who had put off his trip to Washington, would now travel as early as the end of the week.

Israeli Channel Two television reported that the meeting had produced some broadly worded agreements. But the session, convened at Levy’s request, fell far short of producing the “fundamental clarifications” of position Levy had sought.

That lack of progress left uncertain whether the Palestinians would take part in the talks. Saeb Erekat, a top Palestinian negotiator, said they would reserve that decision until they received American assurances that Levy had been authorized to speak for Israel on the full range of issues on the agenda.
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Simpson explains her Snite exhibit

By SARAH HANSEN
News Writer
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Lorna Simpson presented a slide-enhanced lecture on her work, currently on display at the Snite Museum, last night.

In addition, Simpson created an audience to a slide-enhanced chronological tour of her work. "Everyone looked at one picture to another," Simpson explained. "I always liked contrasts."

Her interest in contrasts combined with a passion for writing, linguistics and communication led Simpson to develop her signature mode of expression: a juxtaposition of visual and linguistic communication.

Simpson, in her collection of 21 intaglio prints titled "Details," presented to the Snite by Mr. and Mrs. John C. Rudolph of Seattle, matches a hand with a seemingly unrelated sentence fragment.

In trying to forge some sort of connection between the hand and the sentence fragment, the viewer is forced to create a story to make the body fragment and text fragment harmonize.

According to Robert Haywood, assistant professor of art, art history and design at Notre Dame and guest curator of the exhibition, "...Any story one invents, which inevitably invokes racial and gender stereotypes, fails to cohere - fails, that is, to present itself as truth."

Simpson's art addresses the delicate subjects of race and gender, often questioning her own choice of photography as a mode of representation.

"It's not so much about history, it's more about finding and forgetting who is related to who," revealed Simpson.

Simpson's most recent endeavors have included a billboard project for "Art Against AIDS" and a video installation, a viewing of which she used to close the lecture.

"In trying to create pieces, I always try to push things to their limit," said Simpson.

Simpson's exhibition will be on display in the Snite Museum of Art until November 16. The Snite is open to the public Tuesday and Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Thursday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sunday from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m.
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cuties with which police are contending in trying to put an end to the crime.

The recent rash does not follow this year's decrease in the overall rate of crime in South Bend. "City homicides are actually down 25 percent over last year, robberies are down actually 39 percent, and rapes are also down 13 percent," Horvath said.

He said that police investigated the lifestyles and life choices of the victims and suspects of the crimes and that "it appears that these life choices and styles are not representative of the great majority of good, hard-working citizens that make up our community." Overall, South Bend police are trying to do all they can to quell the fears of South Bend residents and bring the recent rash of crimes to an end.

"As far as the chief of police is concerned, we're trying to do all we can to put a dent in this thing," Williams said.

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Carroll emphasized that priests in the 1960s were given more respect than they are today. "My father was an Air Force general when this was going on," he said. "But he was not just any general, he was the general in charge of intelligence for war. I remember sitting at the dinner table, and I got my dad so angry that he pounded his fist on the table. But I said to him, 'Philip Barrigan is not a kook ... he is a priest.' That used to mean something." In the course of his lecture, Carroll said that Catholic citizens had a special responsibility to protest the government involvement in Vietnam. "Everyone in the government believed that Vietnam was a Roman Catholic country," he said. "Their ignorance is really a scandal, because what drew us in, what started those conflicts on the streets of Saigon in 1961, was an Inquisition-style Catholic regime and an overwhelmingly Buddhist population."

He said that his admiration for the Barrigan brothers sprang from their courage, as Catholics, to speak out against the government. "When Daniel Barrigan, speaking at the funeral of Roger LaPorte (who immolated himself in protest of the war in 1965), refused to condemn LaPorte's action as suicide, Cardinal Spellman banished him from New York," Carroll remembered. "Then he and Phillip and four others poured homemade napalm on draft records in Gaiusville, Md. These acts imposed a new meaning of the priesthood on me."

"They knew that a Catholic effort to end the war was required by the very role of Catholics in its beginning," he added. "American Catholics had been trying, since Charles Carroll, to be trusted citizens and here were Catholics, speaking out against the good order that had already been destroyed." Carroll said that the six months in between October 1967 and April 1968 were, "The most futile because what did not happen. On three separate occasions, generals said to use nuclear weapons in Vietnam. But we decided, as a people, that we would rather suffer defeat than use total war."

He added that since the end of the Cold War, the United States has not only not moved to cut down on nuclear weapons, but has moved towards a policy of becoming the only world power.

Carroll ended his lecture by noting that on Monday, a full 30 years after Phillip Barrigan raided the Baltimore customs house, the now 74-year-old Barrigan was again sentenced for civil disobedience, this time for pouring blood on the missile-launching equipment of an Argus IV in the Bath Iron Works in Maine.

"If the world is very lucky, nuclear weapons will never be used again," he said. "And the world will look on a person like Barrigan as a kook or a nuisance. History will judge us generously. But if some part of the nuclear nightmare does occur, the survivors will wonder, where were our morals and outrage?"

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Jiang stood his ground. "He denied there was religious persecution," said House Minority Leader Dick Gephardt. "He denied there was a denial of political and rights of speech. He denied there was forced abortion. He denied there was international sale of organs from executed prisoners, all of which was raised.

Lott told Jiang that China has made "incredible economic progress" in the past dozen years but that "our relationship cannot be based simply on economics."

"Do we not believe that freedom is limited by geography or by history," Lott said. "We believe that all men and women should be able to live, work and speak freely from governmental interference."

Gingrich said members of Congress were "very direct on religious liberty, very direct on issues of (tissue) prolife, very direct on questions of compulsory abortion, very direct on questions about jamming Radio America and Radio Free Asia and also very direct in talking about Tibet and the Dalai Lama."

Before the breakfast, Jiang met separately with the four congressional leaders — Lott, Gingrich, Daschle and Gephardt — in Gephardt’s office for about 30 minutes and then was escorted by the four for a quick tour of the Capitol Rotunda.

Clinton wants to share political donor data

WASHINGTON

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"Take Highway 110 East, then 70 South. Get off at the George St. exit ... You can't miss it.

Kathy Scheibel

"YOU CAN'T MISS IT." — It seems to have unconsciously made my life my mission to make this statement, frequently disproved theory to ever exist in the history of mankind ... because trust me, I CAN miss it. Though perhaps no other living (or not so living) human, dog, cat or rodent may be capable of missing it, and though by the laws of science and nature it may be absolutely and unquestionably physically impossible to miss it, I give you my guarantee that I not only CAN but definitely WILL miss it.

I'm directionally impaired. I have never once in my life traveled from point A to point B without somehow getting off route through points C, F, K, M, Q and sometimes Y in the process. I defy all odds! I stumped the probability masterminds of the world! "Baffling, utterly baffling," they say, shaking their heads in ... well, bafflement. "Strictly statistically speaking, she simply HAS to get it right SOMETIME!!" So, enlightened as to my directional deficiencies, you must understand the complete ludicrousness of the situation when my father (MY FATHER!!!) who regularly finds me lost in our front yard, told me (ME!!!) "You can't miss it." after giving me directions to my softball game. "You can't be serious," I said. "Oh sure! I think you can do this time! What?!! To my knowledge, pigs still didn't have wings, and I hadn't seen monkeys flying yet either. So I just naturally assumed that I still was not capable of finding my way out of a paper bag (even with the help of a map and a friendly police officer.) But Dad (thankfully banking on that "she has to get it right sometime" theory) seemed confident, and so I figured, "Hey — maybe pigs really have acquired wings, and I am just (as always) the last to know." I decided to give it a try.

"O.K. — so I take I-70 East to Highway 35 West and then get off at Bill St., right?"

He cringed. "No, take Highway 110 East to South; then get off at George Street."

"O.K., sure. I've got it, no problem! And I was off to explore the vast intricacies of the Kansas highway system well, a couple of trips around the block and a quick stop at the Jonases for directions out of the neighborhood, and THEN I was off!"

"O.K. Highway 125, Highway 125, Highway 125 ... oops — red light ... Highway 125, Highway 125 ... oops — pedestrian ... Highway 125, Highway 125 ... it has to be here somewhere. Oh, hey — it's Officer Highway Consnisseur Extraordinaire! Hi Officer Dave!"

"Hi Kathy! Whatcha looking for this time?"

"Highway 125."

"Oh."

"But, Highway 110 is quite nice. I highly recommend it."

"O.K. Sure. I'll try that one then."

"Go one block to your left, and it's right there. You can't miss it ... well, I'll tell Officer Fred to be on the lookout for you."

So, I went my two blocks to the right and came upon what looked so much like a highway, but more like a McDonald's ... "Hi! Welcome to McDonald's. May I take your order?"

"Um, no thank you, but can you tell me how to get to Highway 110?"

"Roundabout or Woundabout?"

"I don't know; which do you suggest?"

"West. Definitely West."

And, well, three hours, another McDonald's, two Burger Kings and a You Bet Your Buns Hot Dog Stand later, I was heading down Highway 120 West. "Wahoo! I still might make it for the last time!" I exclaimed, as I drove off into the sunset on the wrong highway.

I was just riding along, thinking deeply philosophical thoughts, contemplating what flying monkeys might actually look like, when KARL!!!? — the highway exploded! My名字 friend who flew highway suddenly exploded and began spewing out lanes in every direction until the next thing I knew, I was sitting in a daze on some distant, rural road in front of Bill and Ed's Tomato Stand. I figured I should probably ask for directions.

"Can you tell me where 70 South is?"

"70 South? Bill — you ever heard of 70 South?"

"70 South? Yeah, back — that's back in Kansas!"

"Well, where am I?"

"Why, you're in Oklahoma!"

"Okay? Well, how do I get back to Kansas?"

"Just head on down this here street, bang left at Edgar and Myrtle's house... and keep on going. Kansas will be the big state on your right. You can't miss it!"

Kathy's "you can't miss it" disproval number 5,068: The next major landmark I noticed was a sign saying, "Welcome to Mexico." "Ha! Welcome to Mexico? That's funny! Crazy kids!"

I cracked it up to the work of pranksters, never figuring that even I could be THAT bad with directions. But, when a couple of days later I happened upon a "Now Leaving Mexico" sign, I remembered, "Oh yeah, that's right — I AM that bad!" and I stopped for directions.

"Hola! Perdon mereci sir por favor can you give me directions to the United States? gracias, danke, mea culpa?"

After a somewhat lengthy laughing fit, he replied (according to my translation skills, which I'm guessing are not so stellar ... either that or this guy was just really, really jolly.) "The United States? Go over the rainbow, turn left at the mouse named Pedro, and follow the purple cardboard six frogs towards the millennium."

"Hmm. "oh, and señorita, he said, "Eres una gran country. You can't miss it!"

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Garry Trudeau

A work of art is a corner of creation seen through a temperament."

—Emile Zola
Gary Caruso

The Devil Explains Life

with Hank. In fact, Bobby, the sun, went so far as to pledge to join an angel brigate and disavow candy along with his father’s activities.

After the “angel squad” convinced the town fathers to cancel Halloween, Hank dressed as the devil and went around the neighborhood, telling everyone and anyone that they should celebrate Halloween. For most of Friday, October 31, 1997, the Devil continued, “He had his hand in several different things, and he’s not on the same page with his offensive coordinators. When you walk for two yards on fourth down and fail to gain twice in a row even when they got an extra chance due to the other team’s penalty, it is the head coach’s call. Players can’t influence the coach on those plays, his other coaches should. But he must make the right decision. Now you know why major universities should always hire a head coach who has had an established program rather than one who can be over­whelmed by the entire process first his year.” “It seems to be getting better now,” I coun­tered.

Then it took several games and different excuses to finally sink in to him that a field goal while up 14 points means the other team must score three times just to catch you. And winning the ball on a ‘Heel Mary’ with only six seconds left in the half will only add to his frustration if he sees if something might happen. That was the case in Pittsburgh earlier in the game and at the USC game.

“You talk a good game, Devil, but I don’t know.”

“I beat ND twice in a row, didn’t I? I even let all those ND fans who booed the team at the USC game win those tickets in the lottery the summer before,” bragged the Devil.

“Call it what you will,” he耸ugely replied, “I will conquer the football team AND the fan base. The cure to the rot of the Notre Dame faithful is in the air. You can smell the stench.”

“Good,” I snapped back feeling most holy at the moment. But the Devil was not finished with me. He leaped into my face. I could smell his bad breath, full of sausas and beer odors.

He said, “Now one final thing. As long as I am in charge...”

“What does the hell do mean?” I asked.

“Everyone asks that,” he replied. Then he went on, “I am strong because of those who oppose me with reckless abandon. You saw how great we were the year we finally got past the White House guards; the devil had slapped over the IRS at the Treasury Department. You can’t say I got up there with him.

“Worldly men in a crowd, for he was dressed entirely in almost a red ... not quite cherry red but more burgundy with a touch of gold. He was all there. He was at an abortion clinic or at the Notre Dame gay and lesbian students’ meeting or at the American Civil Liberties Union or the National Organization of Women? I had to think like a conservative zealot.

I found at the motor vehicle's bureau that he had such a Scholarship. We’re not in Iowa yet. We’ve finally got past the White House guards; the devil had slapped over the IRS at the Treasury Department. You can’t say I got up there with him.

“Your Devil!” I asked.

“Among other names,” he answered.

“I see.” I continued, “You look like John Robinson.”

“I am,” he said.

“What the hell!” I muttered aloud.

“Everyone says that,” he replied.

“Who is he?” I asked. “I need some answers from you, and I don’t want lies. First, important questions. What is wrong with the ND football team?”

“It’s simple,” began the Devil, “Notre Dame noses and around the alumni and some of the campus expansion ... including the stadium. Your first article this semester before the Georgia Tech game was 100 percent correct. So God, in his twisted wisdom, decided to punish the university for the sin of adding another football team.”

The Devil continued, “I, on the other hand, was brilliant enough to hitch my coaching wagon to this year’s miserable Irish performance and preserve my career. I have some abilities too, you know? I have been keeping close tabs on what is happening across ND for years now in anticipation of this year, my last year as your football coach. And it’s paid off nicely. As long as I beat Notre Dame, I will coach the following year.

“I asked, ‘What does that mean for the future? You can’t keep placing your hopes on a kid.’ ”

“Oh come on,” the Devil said. “I’m not, I also...”

Grad Students Lack Administration’s Respect

Notre Dame is one of the Catholic research universities, and the administration has not been kind to the students of that research institution. A good deal of money is required, in order to turn high-quality faculty and students. Notre Dame does not fail in this department. Money has become a major problem with Notre Dame. The quality of its undergraduate population is not that of the other universities, but it is relative. The administrations of the universities here are enrolled here are offered stipends which match the offerings of most other schools; and this is in many cases sufficient for them to tolerate life in South Bend. Money is necessary, but it is by no means sufficient. The other thing necessary is respect. Respect must be paid to students, faculty and students, it must pay them their due respect, after their acquisition. I began my sixth year as a graduate student in the department of philosophy, so I will focus on, and this is regarding the graduate students in my department. Notre Dame is supposed for the use of the graduate community, not getting permission to hold events there of an adult nature is like pulling teeth. In this is the definition of the party was that so-no smoke in the enclosed terrace outside the building. Many graduate students were signed and in this is not better than an academic community. It should be pulled down and replaced with something that is more friendly for the graduate students. This has been a subject of discussion for the last few years, and it has been a point of discussion for the last few years, and it has been a point of discussion for the last few years.

A more and important form of respect is due graduate students from the academic respect. We know that academic respect is due, and so there should be a respect for the graduate students while teaching undergraduates. I myself have already had the teaching load of a full-time faculty member. And yet, to take the only most obvious example, no provision has been made to all my department a decent office, in which to do my work or meet with students. For my first four years here I met with all my students and that was done in a large room that was only used for student's and faculty. Not that not all students will use this room, and we will take note of the room and we will take note of the room and we will take note of the room and we will take note of the room and we will take note of the room and we will take note of the room.

Last year I was assigned a space over by the lake (i.e. complete­ly the opposite side of campus from the classroom where I teach, the library, and the computer). This space, is shared by over 100 people. We are told that the towners will soon be graduate-student offices. At a rumored six people per dorm-room sized office this is too little, too little. The academic philosophy department, would be to move the professors and students into the soon-to-be-vacant Hurley/Haley-Healy complex. This would not only allow graduate students a space they deserve, it would give a natural center to the department, one we now lack. Every department should have a similar complex. Also, I have heard a rumor that Hurley/Haley-Healy will likely go to the math department. Not satisfied with their own building, they apparently need the extra space to give their graduate students private offices.

Notice the disparity here; math graduate students currently have offices and are not in public service offices. Arts and letters graduate students currently have no offices and will soon have over-crowded offices. The business school has a building similar to a sports facility in both size and looks; while the Arts and Letters departments have two floors of one building for departmental offices; and one catch-all floor for the entire graduate school. You have got to be kidding me when you tell me that...”

I begin this letter with the assumption that the administration wishes to give the graduate students of Notre Dame into the research institution. Given their lack of effort for the most basic academic requirements such as office space, and an architectural environment which fosters interaction between students, this position does not appear to be the case...
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The ancient Celtic (Irish, Scottish, Welsh) festival called Samhain is considered by many to be a predecessor of our contemporary Halloween. Samhain was the New Year's Day of the Celts, celebrated on Nov. 1. It was also a day of the dead, a time when it was believed that the souls of those who had died during the year were allowed access to the land of the dead. It was related to the season: by Samhain, the crops should be harvested and animals brought in from the distant fields.

Many traditional beliefs and customs associated with Samhain, most notable that night was the time of the wandering dead, the practice of leaving offerings of food and drink to masked and costumed revelers, and the lighting of bonfires, continued to be practiced on Oct. 31, known as the Eve of All Saints, the Eve of All Hallow's, or Hallow Even. It is the glossing of the name Hallow Even that has given us the name Hallowe'en.

The spirits of Samhain, once thought to be wild and powerful, were now said to be something worse: evil. The church maintained that the gods and goddesses and other spiritual beings of traditional religions were diabolical deceptions, that the spiritual forces that people had experienced were real, but they were manifestations of the Devil, the Prince of Liars, who misled people toward the worship of false idols. Thus, the customs associated with Halloween included representations of ghosts and human skeletons — symbols of the dead — and of the devil and other malevolent, evil creatures, such as witches were said to be.

ENGLAND: Guy Fawkes Day, Nov. 1, is celebrated in ways reminiscent of Halloween. Guy Fawkes was accused of attempting to blow up the Houses of Parliament on that day in 1605. He was apprehended, hung, drawn, and quartered. On Nov. 5 1606, the same Parliament declared the fifth of November a day of public thanksgiving. The act of treason was viewed as part of a popish — that is, Roman Catholic — plot against the Protestant government. Because Halloween was associated with the Catholic church calendar, its importance diminished, but many of its traditions shifted to the annual commemoration of the death of Guy Fawkes.

Today, for weeks in advance of Nov. 5, English children prepare effigies of Fawkes, dummies known as Guys. They set them out on street corners and beg passers-by for "a penny for the Guy." The eve of the fifth is known as Mischief Night, when children are free to play pranks on adults, just as Oct. 30, the night before Halloween, is known as Mischief Night in many areas of the U.S. On the night of Nov. 5, the Guys are burned in bonfires, just as the ancient Celts burned bonfires on Nov. 1.

GERMANY: Throughout the Western world, May 1, like Nov. 1, is a day of traditional significance. The 30th of April, the eve of May 1, is in areas of Germany, particularly the Harz Mountains, Walpurgnacht, or the eve of St. Walburgis' Day. Witches are supposed to be especially active this day, as are spirits of the dead and demon creatures from the nether world.

CHINA: The care of the dead through prayers and sacrifices were part of a spring festival of purification and regeneration.

JAPAN: Bon festival, dedicated to the spirits of ancestors, for whom special foods are prepared, occurs during the middle of the summer (one of the most important festive periods of the year). Three days in length, it is a time when everyone goes home (reminiscent of the American Thanksgiving).

The first week of November is marked in many countries, especially those with a strong Catholic influence, with festivals concerned with death in a playful but serious way. In Catholic countries we often find some cognate of Halloween associated with All Saints' or All Souls' days.

In MEXICO and other LATIN AMERICAN countries, the first and second of November are the Days of the Dead — El Dia de los Muertos. In some regions, the evening of Oct. 31 is the beginning of the Day of the Dead Children, which is followed on Nov. 1 by the Day of the Dead Adults. Skeleton figures-candy (sugar skulls), toys, statues and decorations—are seen everywhere. It is a time for great festivity, with traditional plays and food. It is a time to play with death and decorating family graves, which is preceded by religious services and followed by picnics. The human skeleton or skull is the primary symbol of the day. Unlike the American Halloween, in Mexico people build home altars, adorned with religious icons and special breads and other food for the dead. The Day of the Dead incorporates recognition of death as a concept with rituals that remember the deaths of individuals.

HAPPY HALLOWEEN
For a tasty treat this All Hallow's Eve, Accent thought it would scare up a little Halloween history

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Anchors Aweigh
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shore
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happy voyage home!
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Women's Internhall Football

Undefeated Pyros face eighth-ranked Chaos

By ALISON WELTNER and TIM CASEY
Spokes Writers

This Sunday, the undefeated P.E. Pyros will face the Cavanaugh Chaos (2-3-11) in the first round of playoffs. On both sides, morale and excitement are high. P.E. had a fantastic season, finishing in first place. Cavanaugh, ranked eighth, is proud to have made the playoffs for the first time in the hall's history.

"I think that everyone is really excited to have made the playoffs. We're happy to be where we are," said team member Katie McGold. P.E. echoed similar enthusiasm, as stated by team members Stephanie Trautman and Sophia Barbado.

"We're pumped. We're ready to take (the championship title) from Lyons."

P.E. might have one advantage in this post season, that no other team has: a desire for revenge. Last year, the Pyros made their way to the final game but suffered a disappointing loss to Lyons.

Still they are cautious not to look too far into the future. "We try to take each game as it comes. We build on our past performance."

At major help from Searle, defensive players such as Kristin Marxuach and Susie Prehal are expected to continue their high level of performance.

"Coach Adam Ortega looks eagerly toward Sunday. He believes the key will be converting what works in practice to the game itself."

"We have a lot of good leadership and a lot of athletic ability," he said. "The thing we need to do is execute. We're going to score a lot."

Lewis vs. PW

Sunday's game between Lewis and Pasquerilla West is a rematch of their final of the regular season game. PW won that game 12-0, but knows that the playoffs are a whole new season.

The Purple Weasels (4-1-1), led by captains, junior Liz McKillop and seniors Kelly Patrick, Elizabeth Plummer, and Lauren Voitier. We've been improving with each game and feel as if we're on top of our game right now," said coach Martin.

"We've been improving with every game and feel as if we're on top of our game right now—we have a good shot at the championship," said McKillop. "We haven't looked rusty at all after fall break, and we're ready to play—if we stick to what we've been doing all season long, we'll be in good shape," said coach Martin Marsuch.

Sixth-ranked Lewis is coming off a solid 3-3 regular season, and looking for revenge after its last loss to PW.

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Special to The Observer

Nearly all of Notre Dame's varsity athletic teams will take part on Sunday, Nov. 2, in "Meet the Irish," a celebration of Notre Dame sports designed to benefit Irish lacrosse player Adam Sargent.

The event is designed to assist Rochester, N.Y. producer Sargent, who was partially paralyzed in a May 29 automobile accident near the Notre Dame campus. Sargent spent two months at the Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago at Northwestern University and is currently living in Rochester and involved in outpatient care through Strong Memorial Hospital. He hopes to return to the university to take classes in January.

"Meet the Irish" is scheduled for 2 to 4 p.m., with nearly all Notre Dame athletic teams available in either the Joyce Center Arena or the Joyce Center Fieldhouse or the Rolfs Aquatic Center.

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Friday, October 31, 1997
Belles riding high into last game

By STEPHANIE VILLINSKI

Coming off a decisive 4-1 victory over Bethel College on Wednesday, the SMC soccer team (6-13) is on a high as it heads into its last game today.

Last year's 5-0 win against Bethel gave the Belles confidence going into Wednesday's game.

"We were feeling confident because of the great practices we had this week. Also, the end of the season is approaching, and we all want to end on a winning note," said sophomore Mary Woodka.

The game did not start out as the Belles had hoped, with Bethel scoring first at 26:42. However, the Belles did not give up and at 39:08 senior Eileen Newell found sophomore Erin McCabe to tie up the score.

"We started communicating better as the game progressed. After we tied up the game we knew we could win," said Woodka.

With eight seconds remaining on the clock before half-time, junior Katie Wagner located Woodka for another SMC goal. "In the first half we had some good assists, which led to a couple one touches in front of the goal," said Coach Sharp. "We also worked the ball in the middle successfully and opportunities happened."

The second half was dominated by SMC. The Belles scored two more goals. Newell netted her fifteenth goal of the season, tying the SMC single-season record for goals scored.

For the final goal of the game, senior Debbie Diemer took the ball to the net unassisted.

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Also, if the Belles pick up their seventh win today, they will have improved on last season's six-win season.

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Men's Swimming

Notre Dame to fight Ball State in dual meet

By MATT YUNG
Sports Writer

Tonight at 6 p.m., the Irish men's swimming and diving teams will confront Ball State for the 19th time. Ball State leads the series 10-8 and has won the past four meetings, including the past two at Notre Dame.

Notre Dame still holds a 5-4 advantage at home and plans to extend its winning margin at Rolfs Aquatic Center. In last year's meet, the lead changed three times, and the meet came down to the final race — the 400-meter freestyle relay. Ball State led 114-112 going into the relay, and winning a 127-116 nail-biter win, leaving the Irish six points shy of victory.

Last year's meet was typical of those between BSU and Notre Dame. There have been some very close meets, and the teams expect more of the same this year.

"Ball State is always well coached, well prepared, and they race well," Irish head coach Tim Welsh said. "They BSU are improved from last year, but I think we improved as much as they did plus six points. We'll see what happens Friday — it could be tight or great."

BSU's biggest improvement this year comes from South African freshman Lazyrens Appelkyn. Appelkyn fills last year's gaping hole in the distance freestyle races and is expected to make a big splash this year.

Notre Dame's John Leibner saw a blazing 44.40 in the 100-meter freestyle and a strong performance tonight is eagerly awaited. Ron Royer is also expected to do well in the 200 and 500 freestyle.

Between the races, tonight's meet will feature diving. The swimming races will stop and give the spectators an excellent chance to see some great divers compete head to head. BSU's divers are usually strong, and this year is no exception.

Next week, the team travels to Houston to face Rice and Texas Christian on Friday and Saturday, respectively. The Irish swimmers' next homestand won't come until Friday, Nov. 21 when they will race Air Force and West Virginia in a triangular.

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Swimming

Irish 'monsters' going strong

By LAURA PETELLE
Sports Writer

While most Notre Dame students were home relaxing over fall break, the Irish swimmers were busy making waves.

On Oct. 24, the Notre Dame women traveled to the Collegiate Aquatic Sports Championships in Fort Lauderdale, Fla. Over two days of competition, the Irish swimmers had a strong showing, winning the 4x500-meter freestyle relay in 7:26.82. The team of senior captain Linda Gallo, freshman Kristen Van Sma, and all-American sophomore Allison Newell set a new collegiate record in the 3x500-meter-relays as they swam to victory in that race.

The Notre Dame men faced Western Ontario on Oct. 23 at home to open its dual meet season with a win, dunking Western Ontario, 133-63. The Irish took first in all but two events. Senior Ron Royer won both the 200-meter freestyle and the 500-meter freestyle.

"I thought that the Collegiate Aquatic Sports Championships was a really good meet for us, particularly this time of the year," said women's head coach Bailey Weathers. "I think it was a pretty good indication of how training's gone."

"I think the freshmen have brought a lot to the program. They have a lot of experience at the national level, and they're all very competitive individuals, and that really adds some depth and flavor to our program. It's still very early," Weathers cautioned. "We need to stay healthy and continue to train well, but I think we'll have a good year."

"These are the meanest monsters to walk the deck of Rolfs in over a decade," said men's head coach Tim Walsh. "The team is training harder and with more intensity. At the couple of meets we had, we were faster than we were at the same time last year."

"The freshman class is one of our best freshman classes ever, and we've been able to say that three years in a row. The cumulative effect is that we just keep improving. The senior class is small, but it's loaded with leadership. Going into the Ball State meet, we've had an outstanding fall training season."

The Notre Dame men host Ball State tonight at Rolfs Aquatic Center. At 6 p.m., and the women return to the pool on Nov. 7 when they travel to Pittsburgh.
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### Irish strive to leave mark at Big East meet

**Special to the Observer**

The Notre Dame cross country teams travel to Bronx, N.Y., today to compete in the Big East cross country championships. Providence is the defending champion in both men's and women's.

For further information contact: American Jason Hexing is the top returnee from last year's championships. He was the top returning finisher from last year's championships. Senior Alan King (86-85-761) and Tracy Melby (84-81-82) finished tied for 11th at 247 to remain tied atop the Notre Dame career stroke average list. King and Melby both have totaled 6,644 career strokes over the course of 81 rounds for a career average of 82.03 strokes per round. Notre Dame closes its fall season with the following stroke averages over the course of four tournaments (12 rounds): Melby 80.83, Klee 81.00, King 81.67, Cooper 82.92, and Klein 85.25. Schloss averaged 83.22 strokes over nine rounds (six while competing as an individual).

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- 10:00 am Presider: Rev. Dan Jenky, C.S.C.
Irish to face conference co-leader on road trip

By BILL HART
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame volleyball team finishes off its five-match road trip this weekend with two matches against Big East opponents. However, unlike previous trips to the east coast, the Irish will start off the weekend by facing the most difficult conference opponent of their season.

On Friday, the Irish will travel eastward to face Villanova, a team which has consistently played near the top of the conference ladder. The Wildcats are currently 15-5 on the season and tied with Notre Dame for first place with a 5-0 conference record.

Three current Villanova players - senior middles Stacy Evans and Marisa Davidson and junior hitter Megan O'Brien - were named second conference All-Americans. Senior middle Melissa Tytko, who ranked second in the Big East in hitting percentage with a .317 average, helped the Wildcats.

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"I need to be a major part of the offense for the team, and it's crucial that I step up for the rest of the season," Turner said. "I have to go out there and lead us as a scorer. It's now tournament time — time for the seniors and cap-
tains to perform."

The Notre Dame defense will also need to turn it up a notch as it approaches the post-season. The defense has been the backbone of the team all season long. However, the stakes are higher and the competition suffer-
as they near crunch time.

"Right now we need to head in thinking it's a new season," said Matt Johnson. "We are looking at this game as a chance to get back on the right track. The ball has not been bounc-
ing our way lately, and we have lost many close games. It is a little frustrating, but as a team we need to realize that there are going to be games like that. We need to just con-
tinue to work hard and soon we will see results."

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THEREFORE F Focus on the line. Michigan will be the highest ranked Big Ten team Notre Dame has faced since a 2-0 shutout of eighth-ranked Wisconsin on Oct. 9, 1994.

In preparation for next week-
end's Big East conference championship tournament, Notre Dame hopes to control the ball and work on finishing as many scoring opportunities as possible, while maintaining its focus on defense. Notre Dame has had few problems doing any of these things so far, thanks to a balanced squad that values teamwork.

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Notre Dame hosts top pick in competitive CCHA

By CHARLEY GATES
Sports Writer

With three victories and one loss, including back-to-back triumphs over nationally-acclaimed St. Cloud State, the Notre Dame hockey team is off to a fast start.

But these previous victories came outside of Central Collegiate Hockey Association league play and thus are not counted when the league assigns post-season berths. And so when the Michigan State Spartans, members of the CCHA, roll into the Joyce Center tonight at 7 p.m., the Boys of Winter will be especially ready to jump off to a good start in the long season. The series continues on Saturday evening with a game at Michigan State.

The Spartans, however, are an excellent hockey team, and the task at hand is daunting. The Spartans were overwhelming­ly picked by CCHA coaches to win the competitive CCHA title this year, and, in respected national hockey pre-season polls, the Spartans were ranked as high as third in the continental United States. Furthermore, Notre Dame’s last victory against the Spartans came 14 years ago in 1983. 

In the 19 games since then, the Boys have mustered only three ties. Michigan State also returns its top two scorers from last year, Mike York and Sean Berens, its starting goaltender (ranked third in the CCHA with a 2.65 GAA last season), and Tyler Hartline, winner of the prestigious best defenceman award in the CCHA last season.

"Michigan State is an excellent team, there’s no doubt about that," stated sophomore forward Joe Dushak. "So how does Notre Dame go about slaying this Goliath? Special teams certainly will be a key for the game."

"We have a very talented team this year," explained freshman forward Jay Kopischke. "Because of that we haven’t had to spend as much time going over the fundamentals. We can go quickly over these because we have a good sense for them already, and we can focus on our power play and on our penalty-killing. This is nice because we can have a set plan before we get too far into the CCHA season."

"The hard work seems to be making returns already. Until last week’s loss to Boston College, Notre Dame had gone an excellent 7-for-17 in penalty-killing, and it had also been much more productive on its revamped power play, a facet of the game in which it struggled last year."

"Matt is the man," explained sophomore forward Iru Simon. "Fister backstopped both upset of St. Cloud State, including the 4-1 victory on Saturday night in which he recorded an unheard of 36 saves."

The Irish face a difficult opponent tonight. Regardless of the outcome of this weekend’s games, the Boys of Winter are headed down the path to smashing success in the CCHA.
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Eagles challenge Irish in final regular season game

By TOM STUDEBAKER
and DAN LUZIETTI
Sports Writers

The Notre Dame men's soccer team plays the last game of its 1997 season on Sunday against the Boston College Eagles. It is a very big game for the Irish as they look to the postseason.

The team is currently ranked sixth in the conference with a record of 4-5-1 and an overall record of 8-8-2. Boston College is tied with Notre Dame in the rankings and has a record of 4-5-1 as well and 5-7-2 on the season.

The Irish are coming off a tough week, dropping four in a row and living straight in the Big East. All the contests were determined by just one goal. After such a strong start in the Big East, Notre Dame is looking to return to its winning ways ... fast.

“We know that we could've won each of the last five Big East games,” said senior co-captain Ryan Turner. “It’s frustrating losing by just one goal. We were in each game, and a lot of times, we were up. Now we are in the Big East tournament, which was one of the season’s goals, and from this point on, the past is in the past.”

Boston College brings a tenacious defense that has played well all year. Their goals against average is 0.87, which is the third best in the Big East. The Eagles’ nest is also well protected by freshman goalie Chris Hamblin. He has played very solidly on the year and has recorded 51 saves in conference play.

The Irish offense will need to show the intensity displayed earlier in the season in this very important game. Notre Dame will look to Turner for a spark. Turner is second in overall scoring in the Big East with 11 goals and four assists.

Midfielder Shannon Boxx and the Irish take on ranked Michigan and Big East foe Providence at Alumni Field in the final weekend of regular season play.

Notre Dame heads into final stretch at the top of the league

By ALLISON KRILLA
Sports Writer

According to the latest soccer power ratings, the second-ranked Notre Dame women's soccer team plays the fifth toughest schedule among teams ranked in the National Soccer Coaches Association of America’s Top 25 poll.

Even more impressive is the fact that the Irish have outscored the opposition 88-5, and outshot them 490-62, en route to a 16-0-1 mark with only two regular season games remaining.

Tonight the explosive Irish battle 12th-ranked Michigan at Alumni Field. The Wolverines (15-2-1) have won six consecutive contests, and are paced by sophomore forward Amber Berendowski’s 16 goals and 16 assists. Thus far, Notre Dame holds a 3-0 advantage over Big Ten opponents in 1997. The Irish defeated Michigan State, Indiana and Wisconsin by a combined 24-0 margin.

“We can’t look past our game with Michigan,” said goalkeeper LaKeysia Beene. "They are supposed to have some good forwards and midfielders, so it should be a good game for our defense.”

Notre Dame also puts its 30-game unbeaten streak against Big Ten con-