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Rita pleads guilty to misdemeanor

By MATTHEW LOUGHRAN

Associate News Editor

John Rita, the Notre Dame Law graduate accused of killing then Notre Dame freshman Mara Fox with his car in the early morning hours of Nov. 13, 1993, will plead guilty on Feb. 6 to a misdemeanor charge of leaving the scene of a fatal accident.

After deliberating for nine hours, a jury acquitted Rita in 1994 of causing Fox’s death by driving while intoxicated. Judge William Albright, who heard the case, granted a mistrial on the second felony charge because of a deadlocked jury.

“I feel really bad for the family of Fox and everybody who has waited for three years in this process,” said Sister Kathleen Beatty, rector of Lyons Hall where Fox lived. “The prosecutor, Mr. [Mike] Barnes, said in the fall that this would go to trial. And now, for whatever reason, he has decided not to prosecute him.”

According to witnesses, Fox and four other Notre Dame students were walking down Douglas Road on their way home from Macri’s Deli on Grape Road in Mishawaka after midnight. The group had waited for a cab, but gave up and decided to make the trip home down the unitl road.

At just about 1 a.m., before the group reached the intersection of Douglas and South Bend Avenue, a car hit Fox head-on. It then pulled away from the scene and continued on towards Mishawaka.

Three hours later, police arrested Rita in his apartment. Fox was declared dead upon arriving at the hospital at 1:22 a.m.

To this day, a sign with a wreath on it stands on the side of Douglas Road at the site of the accident, reminding people of Fox’s death.

Rita was charged with two felony counts in the accident, but was allowed to finish his law school classes at home and graduate with a degree from Notre Dame’s Law School.

Fox’s death had a profound impact on those around her. “She was one of the best people I ever knew,” Jennifer Ramirez, one of Fox’s roommates, said before graduation last year. “When we go out... It feels like someone was left behind.”

In November 1994, Lyons Hall instituted the “Mara Fox Fun Run,” an annual event that raises money for a sophomore student to study abroad in Spain. Fox had planned to go to the University of Texas at Austin after graduation.

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**The Observer names new editor-in-chief**

By MICHELLE KRUFA

Associate News Editor

With experience in both the news and production departments of The Observer, Heather Cocks was elected editor-in-chief for the 1998-99 year by a vote of the newspaper’s General Board last night.

Cocks, a junior from Houston, lives in Lewis Hall. She is an American studies major in the College of Arts and Letters and plans to pursue a career as a reporter and eventual editor of a major newspaper.

“The Observer has been a big part of my life for the past three years, and I’m honored to have the opportunity to complete my last year as editor-in-chief,” Cocks said. “It will be challenging, but I have a lot of ideas and I think we’ll have a really good time up here in the coming year.”

Cocks has been a member of The Observer staff since August of her freshman year, when she served as a news writer, copy editor, and assistant news editor.

As a sophomore, she worked as an associate news editor, production manager, and later as news editor, the position she currently holds.

“The news staff has done a lot this past year to improve the quality of our pages,” Cocks said. “Now, I’m looking forward to working with the new department editors so that the overall product improves even more.”

In addition to her campus experience in journalism, Cocks has written for the Calgary Herald in Calgary, Alberta, and interned for Bloomberg Business News, an international financial wire service. She believes her experience as an intern has expanded her vision for the future of The Observer.

“I’d like to see The Observer further the capability of its Web site by adding more...”

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**‘Late Night’ generates $7,000**

By KRISTI KLITSCH

Assistant News Editor

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**In Memoriam mara fox**

‘Mara was one of the best people I ever knew.’

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**key dates in rita case**

Nov. 13, 1993: Mara Fox killed in bad- man accident on Douglas Road. Police arrest John Rita later that morning. White responding to crash police car is struck by MMC trailer.

Nov. 9, 1994: Rita arrested on causing Fox’s death. Mental trial is scheduled to begin leaving the scene.

Jan. 30, 1998: After more than four years of appeals, the group announced that Rita will plead guilty to a misdemeanor charge.

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**12th annual late night olympics results**

1. Sorin/Walsh
2. O’Neill/McGlinn
3. Keough/Welsh
4. Zahrn/Farley
5. Siegfried/PW
Outside the Dome

Testimony ended Friday at 4 p.m. in the state Senate Education Committee hearing on the Bumper Stickers Act. Amendment 98-035, sponsored by Sen. Alice Chandley, D-Colorado Springs, would require Colorado voters to pay a $5.00 fee to register their vehicle if they want to display an offender sticker.

In his closing arguments, Sen. John Kefalas, D-Boulder, said the bill was a solution to a problem that was being ignored by legislators. He argued that the bill was a reasonable solution to a serious problem.

The opponent of the bill, Sen. Michael Kohn, R-Colorado Springs, said the bill was unnecessary and would not solve the problem.

The vote was 20-17 in favor of the bill, with 13 Democrats and 7 Republicans supporting it. The remaining 7 Republicans voted against it.

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In other news, the Senate Education Committee also passed a bill that would allow students to begin their education before they graduate high school. The bill, sponsored by Sen. John Kefalas, D-Boulder, would allow students to begin their education before they graduate high school.

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The man found unconscious inside WSU's Gannon Hall two weeks ago died of a morphine overdose. Nineteen-year-old Brandon Godwin was pronounced dead last week at Pullman Memorial Hospital. The death was ruled accidental. An autopsy revealed high levels of morphine were found in Godwin's system. Whether or not it was an accident or suicide was the result of the coroner's investigation. Godwin was the first death attributed to the use of heroin in the Whitman County area. Police said Godwin came to Pullman to visit Andrew Longman, a Gannon Hall resident. Longman was not present at the time of the death, and there was no evidence that the two were acquainted.

\[\text{University of Illinois}\]

Clifton will give speech to students

CHAMPAIGN, Ill. - President Bill Clinton will be taking a step in Champaign-Urbana and students will have the opportunity to see and hear him speak. (The president) has chosen the University of Illinois to highlight his commitment to education, a university spokesman said. What Clinton plans to talk about is uncertain, but he has mentioned a fair-weather friend as a possible subject for his speech.

The event is scheduled for 7 p.m. in the University Union Ballroom. All students and staff are invited to attend.

\[\text{University of Utah}\]

ACLU checks into database misuse

SALT LAKE CITY, Utah - The American Civil Liberties Union of Utah is looking into alleged student-record database misuse at the University of Utah. After reviewing complaints from Utah students and staff, Carol Gordon, executive director of the Utah ACLU, has found the University of Utah's computer systems may be being used for purposes for which it was not intended. Of the complaints the ACLU is investigating, the most "egregious," according to Gordon, were filed by a Daily Utah Chronicle sports writer who, in the Oct. 13, 1997 issue of the Chronicle, offended parks, recreation and tourism management and student affairs professors Gary Ellis and John Crossley, who are graduate students at the University of Utah.

The ACLU is also looking into the misuse of a database that contains student records. The database is used to keep track of students who have been disciplined or have had their records reviewed.

\[\text{University of Minnesota}\]

Student to run for Legislature seat

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. - Tom Gronicki is passionate about two things — politics and the Green Bay Packers. The Wisconsin native and College of Liberal Arts junior announced his campaign for the Legislature last week, but took time out from his political game plan on Sunday night to root for his home team in the Super Bowl. Like the Packers, this is Gronicki's second consecutive time in the big game. In 1996, he won the Republican endorsement but lost to incumbent Phyllis Kahn, DFL-Minneapolis, in the general election. Before Gronicki ran in 1996, he had been a political science major at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, where he attended for a year.

This year, he is running again on a traditional conservative platform. He opposes abortion, plans emphasis on family issues and backs fiscally responsible legislation.
Students battle in academic bowl’  

Program visits campuses for national competition

By FINN PRESSLY
News Writer

While January usually marks the end of bowl game action, a bowl game season of a different sort is just getting underway at Notre Dame.

Colleges and universities across North America are preparing their teams for competition in the 1998 College Bowl season.

The College Bowl is essential­ly "an academic quiz game, based on quick recall," according to Peter Lombardo, who oversees the College Bowl pro­gram at Notre Dame.

"Questions are generally taken from academic subjects, from English and history to math and science, with some sports and pop culture, as well," he continued.

Notre Dame has been a par­ticipant in College Bowl since the program’s inception as a radio show in 1953. In 1959, the show moved to television, where it was broadcasted weekly until 1970. In 1977, the College Bowl program was revived under the auspices of the Association of the College Unions International. Since then, the tournaments have been held live at college campuses across the country.

There are three levels in the College Bowl tournament ladder. The first level, which is the campus level, is currently in progress at Notre Dame. This level is open to all students, including graduate students. The purpose of the campus tour­naments is to select the four players who will represent Notre Dame in the next step of competition which is the regional level. This year’s regional tournament, which is arranged in a round-robin format, will be hosted by Valparaiso University from Feb. 20-22.

During regional action, Notre Dame usually faces six to eight opponents. The winner of the regional tournament will then move on to the College Bowl National Championship Tournament. The winners of each of the 15 regional tour­naments, plus one wild-card team selected at random from among those schools that placed second, will compete for the national title.

More than 300 colleges and universities are expected to submit teams this year.

Each team is comprised of four students, plus one or two alternates. The next campus tournament will take place on Saturday, Jan. 31, at the Center for Continuing Education.

DuCille discusses racial reality

By SHANNON GRADY
News Writer

"My name is Ann duCille and I’m white." Those in attendance at the Hesburgh Auditorium last night chuckled at this com­ment as it was clear to all that duCille was indeed an African-American woman. But duCille used this statement to spark a lecture that a large and vocal audience enjoyed.

The thrust of her talk cen­tered around the belief that America’s race relation­ship problems are more easily found in innocent, casual encounters than in the race crimes seen on the evening news. She explained that most Americans live in a state of "periracism": they live by and around racism, but do not believe they are racist. She believes this masks and denies racism.

DuCille used a personal experience to demonstrate this point. When duCille moved to her current home in San Diego. Her most recent book, "Skin Trade," a collection of essays duCille wrote for popular and scholarly journals on how race, gender, and money interact in American life. The lecture, "Place and Dis-Place: Periracism" and the Geographies of Identity," was part of the Notre Dame English department’s Ward-Phillips series on "Alternative American Geographies of Race", Ethnicity, and Nation."
Tobacco foes criticize deal
Stewardess with cancer leads struggle

Associated Press

MIAMI
Opponents of a landmark $349 million settlement on second-hand smoke said Monday that the deal benefits the tobacco industry and defense attorneys more than the 60,000 flight attendants who are suing.
The proposed settlement before Circuit Judge Robert Kaye calls for the creation of a $300 million medical research foundation and payment of $49 million in legal fees and expenses.
"They got less than nothing," said attorney Ben Barnow, representing an objecting flight attendant. "This settlement is a bad thing and they know it."
An inch-thick file of letters from attendants, scholars and lawmakers support the agreement.
Lead plaintiff Norma Broin made her thoughts clear on the settlement: "This is the worst thing and they know it."
Ms. Broin, an American Airlines attendant for 21 years, developed lung cancer after being raised in a non-smoking, non-drinking family. She was the only flight attendant allowed to testify.
Her landmark case generated attention for the first class-action and secondhand-smoke trial. Attendants charged that cigarette smoke in aircraft cabins caused lung cancer, other lung diseases and an assortment of other illnesses before smoking was banned on domestic flights in 1990.
Kaye should decide on whether to approve the settlement or ask for revisions within two weeks, a court spokesman said. The tobacco industry has said it will not consider modifications.
Ms. Broin's attorneys, Stanley and Susan Rosenblatt, were forced to defend the $49 million fee won by their small firm.
One of the objectors was Ralph Nader's Public Citizen group, which claimed the deal violated numerous tenants of class-action law by not providing any money to the plaintiffs.
Its attorney, Alan Morrison, said the agreement gives the tobacco industry "an enormous get-out-of-jail-free card."
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ATTORNEY

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Said the judge. "To society, perhaps, but not the flight attendants."
Rosenblatt painted the objectors as opportunists misrepresenting the settlement.
In six years, not one of them ever showed their face, never offered any help to one flight attendant," he said.
The settlement lets attendants pursue individual lawsuits for compensatory damages.
Many attendants wanted to accept the deal because their cases would evaporate without tobacco's waiver of statutes of limitations, giving them only a short time to sue, commonly one to four years after a diagnosed illness.
Their attorneys believe as many as half of about 60,000 nonsmoking attendants potentially covered by the settlement would have lost their claims without that concession.

Jeffrey Satinover, M.D.

Dr. Satinover is a practicing psychiatrist and psychoanalyst and is the former president of the C. G. Jung Foundation of New York. He holds degrees from the University of Texas, and is a former Fellow in Psychiatry at Yale and a former William James lecturer in Psychology and Religion at Harvard.
An Orthodox Jew living in Connecticut, Dr. Satinover is also the author of Homosexuality and the Politics of Truth, a widely applauded analysis of the current debate over homosexuality viewed from psychological, religious and scientific perspectives. Dr. Satinover will address the argument, advanced at Notre Dame as well as nationally, that the American Psychiatric Association's 1973 vote not to treat homosexuality as a psychological disorder ought to end all discussion of the matter. He hopes that his talk will contribute a needed perspective to Notre Dame's discussion of homosexuality.

The Jacques Maritain Center
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Homosexuality & the Politics of Science

Jeffrey Satinover, M.D.

"On the one hand we must decide how best to counter the tactics of intimidation and refute the false claims of a group that operates in the hostile mode of raw, power politics. On the other hand we must retain the profound compassion and fellow-feeling toward individual homosexuals that we ourselves need and yearn for from others."
— Homosexuality and the Politics of Truth

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Clinton angrily denies allegations

**ASSOCIATED PRESS**

**WASHINGTON**

Fighting to save his presidency, President Clinton emphatically denied a sexual relationship with Monica Lewinsky, yesterday, and sought to reassure wavering Democrats that he will survive the scandal.

"I don't have sexual relations with that woman," he said.

With his wife standing at his side, Clinton wagged his finger at TV cameras and declared: "I've never told anybody to lie, not a single time.

"The dramatic White House statement marked the first comments on the subject from Clinton since Lewinsky told prosecutors she was willing to testify under the protection of full immunity that she had an affair with him — raising the prospect of a high-stakes showdown between the president and a former White House intern.

There is no turning back now for Clinton if Lewinsky changes her story and says she had sexual relations with him.

Bruce Buchanan, a political scientist at the University of Texas, said Clinton's statement "sounded pretty categorical to me. I don't see any weasel words."  

Lewinsky, 24, told a friend she had an affair with Clinton before she filed the claim in an affidavit. She spent several days Monday with her lawyer, reply testily, "I'm not going to dignify that question.

"The critical test will be on Capitol Hill, where Democrats and Republicans alike are using grave terms to discuss the mounting scandal.

"Sea, Daniel Moyinihan, D-N.Y., called this a "crisis of the regime" and warned that the presidency will crumble if Clinton had sex with Lewinsky.

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**Associated Press**

WASHINGTON

President Clinton denies allegations of an affair with Monica Lewinsky, a former White House intern, yesterday, during a White House press conference.

"So far we've been offered false assurances," he said, adding that to let the Ulster Democrats stay would send the message that "there's an acceptable level of killing."
Clinton

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moments, Rep. Jim Moran, D-Va., drew laughter from the caucus by accidental­ly calling Gore "the president." For now, most Democrats are with­holding judgment - waiting to see how Clinton weathers the coming few days. "The president made an unequivocal statement. That was good enough for me," Moran said after the meeting. Most lawmakers are still away from Washington; a truer test of Clinton's standing in Congress will come Tuesday during his State of the Union address. Democrats promised a warm reception, but said the address will be awkward. "Obviously, it's impossible to ignore the context of the speech, what is hap­pening true or false," said Rep. Barbara Kennelly, D-Conn. Democrats across the country are pri­vately begging Clinton to quickly pro­vide a full accounting of his relationship with Lewinsky. His closest allies, even some senior administration officials, have expressed doubts about whether Clinton is telling the truth and can surv­ive. Trying to avoid a fatal erosion of sup­port, the president is telephoning elect­ed officials and donors, reiterating his denial but providing no details. His poll­ster, Mark Penn, is conducting exten­sive surveys to test the public's mood. Penn's polls have shown Clinton's favorability rating falling. Lewinsky told a friend in secretly recorded conversations that she had an affair with Clinton and he tried to cover it up. She later filed an affidavit in Paula Jones's sexual harassment case against Clinton denying both allega­tions, making her a target of Starr's investigation. Attorneys for Clinton asked a federal judge Monday to move up her trial date, complaining that the media frenzy sur­rounding the Lewinsky case has created an "undue distraction." Clinton's legal team thinks the lawsuit could be a high-profile forum to dis­credit Lewinsky if she cooperates with prosecutors against the president. Jones's spokeswoman said her client would oppose the change. Aides said a lay-low strategy devised by Clinton's legal team began to take hold Monday. They hope Clinton's firm denial will slow his downward spiral in polls and be the last he says on the sub­ject for a long while. If Lewinsky does not agree to testify against Clinton, aides believe he can weather the allegations without further comment. If he agrees to cooperate with Starr, the legal team will be pre­pared to try to discredit Lewinsky.
WASHINGTON

Laying the groundwork for a possible attack, the Clinton administration said Monday that Iraq may be manufacturing illegal biological weapons. If the attack is ordered, "it won't be a pinprick," Pentagon officials said.

Military planners prepared options Monday and administration officials briefed congressional leaders and U.S. allies. House Speaker Newt Gingrich said there should be no mistake about the "American nation's commitment" to preventing Saddam Hussein from obtaining weapons of mass destruction.

"Absolutely not, absolutely not," White House spokesman Mike McCurry said, rallying to the president's side as a leader who made independent judgments, unrelated to his personal life. "There is no effect," said State Department spokesman James Rubin, as Clinton sent Sandy Berger, his national security assistant, to inform leaders in Congress how he was nearing a decision to order an attack.

"Our objective for some time has been to do whatever is necessary, including not ruling out the use of force, to achieve our objective ... is to be sure that Iraq's ability to make weapons of mass destruction and missiles is steadily diminished," Rubin said.

Already, Senate Republican leader Trent Lott of Mississippi has told the White House chief of staff, Erskine Bowles, that he "hoped that the president would take the necessary action in Iraq no matter what other distractions might be going on." Lott said Sunday.

Bowles' response, Lott said, indicated Clinton "still would try to do what was right for the country."

With tensions growing, Rubin said "it cannot be ruled out that Iraq has an operational biological weapons facility."

As consultations widened, Secretary of State Madeleine Albright conferred by telephone with Robin Cook, the British foreign secretary. Britain has supported the United States without qualification and has sent a potent carrier force to the Persian Gulf for use in an attack on Iraq.

Berger, meanwhile, went to Capitol Hill to meet with Lott and Gingrich. The speaker said Republicans were "prepared to be supportive" of measures to keep Iraq from obtaining weapons of mass destruction.

Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., offered his support "if the president does it right."

"If there are sustained and serious air operations, then I would be one of the first to defend his actions," McCain said. "The attacks would exact a price for Saddam's behavior, to the point where he and his supporters will figure that it is not in their interest to continue defying" the sanctions, said McCain.
Can We All Just Get Along?

Alyesa DeNardi and the gentlemen of St. Edward's Hall have elucidated very disparate views regarding the important issue of interpersonal relationships on campus, and there is some merit to each. The two extremes are at the two ends of a spectrum, but we can find common ground if they meet in the middle, for each has described an extremely end of the continuum of friendship. There may be a middle, for each has described an unprecedented relationship; but we must avoid becoming mired in either of the two extremes. Interpersonal relationships are prized by both sexes. The search for special interrelatedeness is a male/female face-off does disserve to us all.

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**In Memory of John Yoder: Scholar, Professor, Friend**

**David Weiss**

Academy about 30 miles south of Notre Dame. We heard him talk about the importance of maintaining the integrity of the just war tradition to a group of high school students at this residential missionary academy. As I listened to this talk I was listening to a walking, thinking-on-the-crutch, international, respected, Mennonite pacifist, fielding their sometimes sophisticated but just as often ill-formed and awkward questions always with unfailing grace. I realized that I was watching something akin to redemptive patience.

The Philadelphia "John Yoder"... published in the early 1970s, ranks among the most influential books ever to come out of the Anabaptist tradition. It started a new way of thinking about Jesus, and this way of thinking about Jesus has had tremendous impact on the way we think about the kingdom of God. It is a book that has become a standard text for courses on peace and justice studies.

Yoder's work has been influential in the development of the just war theory, a moral philosophy that seeks to distinguish between just and unjust wars. He argued that war can be justifiable in certain circumstances, such as in response to an attack on one's own country or in defense of freedom and democracy. Yoder's ideas have been embraced by peace activists and have influenced the development of international law on the use of force.

The influence of Yoder's work is evident in the way that contemporary peace and justice studies courses incorporate his ideas. He has been described as a "prophet" for his unwavering commitment to pacifism and his willingness to speak truth to power.

The legacy of John Yoder is a testament to the enduring power of his ideas and the impact that he has had on the development of peace and justice studies. His work continues to inspire and challenge us to think critically about the use of violence and to seek alternatives to war.
Have you been sick recently?

"I got a cold, I'm not sure how, but my mom (Cele) warmed up some whiskey, and that made me feel a whole lot better."

Katy Fallon
Sophomore, Welsh Family

"Yes, I have a cold. I think I got it from my roommate. It could have been lack of sleep too."

Kwabena Adu-Sarkodie
Sophomore, Of
campus

"Yes, I have been sick. It was horrible, I could have died. It was the cold from hell. I think I got it from my mom; I'll get her back someday."

Rachel Jones
Sophomore, Walsh

"It's all about attitude. What's a runny nose compared to the Cross of Christ?"

Tony Arinelli
Freshman, Keough

"I have been sick twice already; I think it's because I actually like getting sick; my roommate takes great care of me, freshly squeezed orange juice and chicken soup just like mom makes; it's great."

Emily Schmitt
McGlinn, freshman

By BRIDGET RZEZUTKO
Accent Writer

Brrr! It's cold out there! And look at you, not properly clothed! What would your mother say? "Put a hat and boots on, and zip that coat! Do you have your mittens?" Do you?

With winter here, we have to lug around a lot more clothing than most of us like. Who really wants to keep track of his or her hat and coat while dancing at a party or drinking at the bar? We have other, more important things on our mind at those times. However, it is essential that we do think about these winter necessities.

First of all, let's address the topic of boots. They are not always fashionable. God knows you can't wear your brown boots with black pants. I mean, what would people think? But seriously, they serve a higher purpose than just looking stylish. That Gore-Tex is water resistant and that fleece inside keeps those little toes from falling right off. End product: warm appendages. With no frost bite, you are still able to play "This little piggy went to the market," much to the delight of your roommate and friends.

And where is your winter hat? Not a baseball cap, guys. That just doesn't cut it. Hats aren't exactly the coolest part of a wardrobe either, but it does wonders against blocking heat loss. That little scrap of cloth on top of your head, with the fuzzy fleece lining, keeps all that hot air in while at the same time keeping the cold out. It also protects your ears from going numb. Wow, huh? It's elementary, yet we all seem to forget this.

I know, bundling up is not fun. By the time you get on your thermals, coat, mittens, scarf, hat and whatever else, you probably feel like the Abominable Snowman. Ralphie's little brother in the movie "The Christmas Story," or have to go to the bathroom. But kids, we've got to face the elements. Not dressing properly is one of the biggest causes of winter illnesses.

Colds are probably the worst of all the sicknesses. We all know the feelings: a runny nose, stuffy head and absolutely no energy. Agreeably, this is no fun. Not to mention that sniffing every two seconds is just not attractive. Seeing as there is no cure for the common cold, we've got to protect ourselves. Here are a few recommendations:

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And where is your winter hat? Not a baseball cap, guys. That just doesn't cut it. Hats aren't exactly the coolest part of a wardrobe either, but it does wonders against blocking heat loss. That little scrap of cloth on top of your head, with the fuzzy fleece lining, keeps all that hot air in while at the same time keeping the cold out. It also protects your ears from going numb. Wow, huh? It's elementary, yet we all seem to forget this.

I know, bundling up is not fun. By the time you get on your thermals, coat, mittens, scarf, hat and whatever else, you probably feel like the Abominable Snowman. Ralphie's little brother in the movie "The Christmas Story," or have to go to the bathroom. But kids, we've got to face the elements. Not dressing properly is one of the biggest causes of winter illnesses.

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First of all, don't go outside with wet hair when it is snowing. Whether you will be late for class or not, that is just dumb.

Secondly, wear layers and cover all exposed flesh. Jack Frost might be trying to nip at your nose, but don't let him!

Most importantly, eat a proper diet. This is crucial in assisting your body's natural defenses against illness. Try to eat protein, such as cheeses and meats, and less junk food in order to have more energy pulling those all nighters.

Another extremely common winter illness is the flu. Flu shots are strongly recommended by most doctors, but it is too late to receive one now. Generally the shots, which are effective against the heavier strains of flu, are given in October or November.

Although that does us no good now, keep that in mind for next year. In case you weren't
Thinking ahead and didn’t pre-arm yourself with a vaccine this season, don’t give up hope yet. You can take precautions by catching up on your beauty sleep, or getting plenty of rest. Drinking water, eating foods rich in vitamins and Vitamin C helps to replenish your body’s depleted supply. Taking a strong multi-vitamin is also suggested. If you are unsure of what kind to take, any pharmacist can assist you in choosing one formulated for your specific needs. As a last precaution, cut back on soda! A can of pop contains more sugar than anything substantial. Try obeying your thirst with fruit juice instead of a Sprite.

Your immune system has a very important job to do. It is there to protect your body from illness, but if you don’t take care of it, it won’t work properly. Really, what’s a little hot head and two feet shielded in clunky boots in exchange for a healthy immune system?

The African Student Alliance presents five features films beginning Jan. 28 thru Feb. 25.

"Clando Wednesday" — Jan. 28 @ 7 p.m., room 141 DeBartolo
"Tabou, Ferraille" — Wednesday, Feb. 4
"Taale Fanga" — Wednesday, Feb. 11
"Prime Time South Africa" — Wednesday, Feb. 18
"Malcolm X" — Wednesday, Feb. 25

Colds, flu, "the gripe," pneumonia...

Recently it was reported that in the U.S. an average of 20,000 people die each year from the flu or its complications. Here are three ways to fight back!

1. **Make a special effort to avoid becoming sick with one of these illnesses.**

   Get vaccinated!

   One of the more severe life and long-term health threats is the lung disease, pneumonia. It’s little known as yet, but there is an effective vaccine against most of the more common kinds of pneumonia. For these vaccinations, it’s critical to not be sick or have a fever when you get the shot.

   Next, be sure to include the following list of nutrients in your food, multi-vitamins, and your other vitamins.

   Take Vitamin C. Intakes of at least 1,000 mg per day have not only been found in some studies to cut the duration of such illnesses in half and to cut the severity of symptoms in half; but other studies suggest that this much vitamin C seems to sharply reduce the incidence and severity of secondary bacterial infections.

   Include Zinc. Surprisingly, many people get too little; and it’s apparently a good immune system booster. In addition, getting a total of up to 100 to 120 mg a day for the first two days and three days has been found to cut the duration and severity of colds in half. It is imperative, however, to take 2 or 3 mg of Copper if you take Zinc.

   Do Copper and Zinc do you more good with enough Copper to balance it, failing to do this can contribute to heart disease — according to several studies.

   Lots of beta-carotene or foods containing it and getting at least the RDA, 5,000 IU, of the traditional form of vitamin A are thought to help boost your immune system and keep your mucous membranes and upper respiratory system surfaces healthy and harder to infect. Taking deodorized garlic supplements regularly may also be a good preventive measure. Other useful preventive strategies:

   Regular exercise of sufficient intensity to warm you up or even make you sweat. Also, if you can afford it, a quality and regular replacement of a whole house water filter.

   Try to have good relationships and social support groups. And make an effort to treat other people with respect at worst and with love at best. Studies show that hostility tends to reduce immune system levels and loving feelings tend to increase immune system levels.

   Things like using paper cups in your bathroom rather than a plastic glass that everyone shares and is rarely washed; washing your dishes in a dishwasher rather than by hand in cooler water; having everyone cover sneezes and coughs; and washing your hands before eating have been shown to help you avoid coming down sick when other people in your household are sick or coming down with something. Also, when you brush your teeth, rinse your toothbrush thoroughly and be sure to knock the remaining water off your toothbrush before putting it up. This will minimize the growth of bacteria on it.

   Take steps to help colds & flu go away quickly and soften their blow.

   First and most important is to prevent dehydration! Second, colds and flu tend to increase mucous and make it thicker. Too little water tends to worsen this process by thickening your mucus further and may contribute to the development of secondary infections.

   Third, ample water may help your body flush out the invaders and the debris from their battle with your immune system.

   Chicken soup really works!

   Extra rest can help.

   3. Take steps to recover well and quickly; and boost your avoidance efforts for avoiding these illnesses in the future.

   Invest in a couple of new toothbrushes. Surprisingly, retiring your old toothbrush when you are about three-fifths to three-fourths through your cold or flu and clearly beginning to recover — and doing it again when you are just fully recovered has been found to prevent you from catching the same illness again — or prolonging it — by reinforcing you with the bacterial and viruses on your toothbrush.

   Siberian ginseng and ginkgo biloba — particularly in combination — are two of the herbs that seem to help some people recover their energy better and more quickly after being sick with the flu.

   Do anything else you can that helps you rest better or have more energy in healthful ways.

   Use your current motivation to avoid future colds and flu to begin or plan to do the steps above of the list to prevent them.

   The entirety of this article can be found on the web at http://www.opendoor.com/IEHealth/Flu01.html. Before trying any of these remedies it is advised to check with your doctor first.
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Men's Swimming

Notre Dame claims revenge

By MATT YUNG
Sports writer

Revenge is sweet, and the Irish had a craving for sugar when they faced Western Kentucky on Saturday. Western Kentucky dished out two painful defeats to Notre Dame in their last two meetings, including a win on the final relay of last year’s meet; however, this year bucked the trend.

After Christmas break and productive training at Auburn, Notre Dame’s men’s swimming and diving team made a strong 1998 debut, avenging the defeats and winning nine of 13 events in a lopsided 137-94 victory over the Hilltoppers. The win moved the Irish to 6-1 on the season and provided the team an opportunity to regroup after the New Year’s break and productive training.

Sophomore John Lubker showed brilliance and set a school record in the one-meter diving and won both the one-and three-meter diving events to lead the Irish. Huesman’s record performance of 335.6 destroyed Sean Hyer’s 1993 record of 314.4. Junior Scott Zumbach won the 200 butterfly and the 200 individual medley to pace the Irish swimmers.

Sophomore John Lubker showed speed and endurance on route to his 500 freestyle victory. Mike Doyle, Vince Kuna, and Ron Royer finished one-two-three in the 50 freestyle, and James Scott-Browne, John Lubker and Grant Burral performed the same feat in the 100 freestyle to help Notre Dame build a sizable lead.

While the Irish had many first places, the team’s depth emerged as a key in the victory and will prove valuable in the future meets. This Friday the team travels to Bowling Green for some high octane racing against a powerful opponent.

With only four meets before the Big East Championships in Pittsburgh, and such success thus far, the Irish and head coach Tim Welsh are excited about their possibilities in the tournament, but have vowed not to look too far ahead and to take it one meet at a time.

Hockey

Wolverines hope to bounce back

By SHARAT RAJU
Michigan Daily (U. Michigan)

ANN ARBOR, Mich.
For weeks, the hockey showdown between No. 4 Michigan and No. 7 Miami was highly regarded as a test for each team. If that is indeed the case, then Michigan is going to have to do some more studying.

The first-place Wolverines (14-4-1 CCHA, 29-4-1 overall) were swept by RedHawks (12-5-2, 17-7-2). Miami won 4-3 on Saturday and 3-1 on Sunday at Griggs Ice Arena.

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Mourning, Heat fall short, 94-93

Associated Press

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Campus Ministry Events

Tuesday, January 27, 7:00 pm

CM-Badin Hall Office

Campus Bible Study

TOPIC: Paul and the Letter to the Ephesians
Bring your own Bible, if you need one it will be provided. Fellowship and refreshments will follow the meeting. All are welcome to this INTERFAITH Bible Study.

Wednesday, January 28, 7:00-8:00 pm

Keenan-Stanford Chapel

Contemporary Choir Rehearsal

Of special interest:

NDE #50 (Feb. 28-March 1) Sign-up
This week at 103 Hesburgh Library

EMMAUS

Discover a new way to be part of a community to enrich your faith. Stop in to Campus Ministry for information or contact Jim Lies, csc, John or Sylvia Dillon, Kate Barrett or Sarah Granger at 6341-5242.
WASHINGTON

Etan Thomas went 18-for-21 from the field in his career high in the first half, scoring 17 of his 23 points before the break as No. 20 Syracuse routed Georgetown 84-66 Monday night.

Working against an undermanned Hoyas front court, sophomore center Thomas was 8-for-11 from the field and defined his 53 percent free throw percentage by making 7 of 10 from the line as the Orangemen (16-4, 6-3 Big East) broke a two-game losing streak.

The loss snapped a two-game winning streak for Georgetown (11-7, 4-6), which is danger of finishing with a losing record in Big East play for the first time in 16 years due to an exam break, a rusted No. 11 Princeton 59-50.

Syracuse held a 24-13 lead and the game was tied 43-43 just before halftime. The Tigers opened a 28-18 lead before a 6-2 run pulled the Lions within six. Mastaglio had 13 points for Princeton, which is 11-11 with 11:30 left before Lewulls' 3-pointer gave Princeton the lead for good with 9:41 remaining.

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Super fan
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around and without even a dis-
cussion the Bowmans were at the Eck Tennis Pavilion, bus-
tressing a lonely team. Those
Saturdays became months, then
years, as they observed timid
freshman grow into confident
seniors.
"And like a vital team member,
the Bowmans’ eyes dance when
reminiscing match highlights.
Just like the game was theirs.
"One match, everything
depended on this court right
here," Mrs. Bowman said in an
excited rush as she indicated a
familiar court.
Mr. Bowman tapped his wife
on the shoulder, raised his eye-
brows with zeal and pointed to
another court. He held up three
fingers. She knew exactly the
team's turn to rally around a
suffering friend.
"Over there, a match went
three sets, three-and-a-half
hours, right down to the
third set, three-and-a-half
hours, right down to the
third finger in front of her.

The memories the Bowmans
have compiled are thicker than
any scrap book. Every serve has
crossed it a long time ago. Mr.
Bowman’s a big part of our
family, and the gray-haired man
from being a fan to a
friend.
"He is a loyal friend who is
going through a phase ... that is
unquestionably the darkest part
of his life," Patterson wrote to the
rest of the squad. "And there is
no other time more important
than now for good friends to do
drop in on that person and
to tell him how much they
appreciate him."
The Irish present Richard Bowman (center) with an
engraved plaque for his dedication to Notre Dame tennis.

"One thing seemed to be
missing.
"It's tough to only hear it occasionally now.
But when we do, it definitely means a lot, even more now.
"So where was that voice, that
famous groaning pitch? "Here we go...
Maybe it wasn’t as thunderous
as it once was. Perhaps it didn’t
call attention to the old man in
the ‘ND’ tennis cap like it once
did. But it was there, and his
team knew it was.
"Patterson ended his phono-
ma, heart-tugging poem with
the line, “No matter if your lips
find the words, we hear them,
and what they stand for will
forever echo around us and be
remembered.”

For the favorite fan has
spoken, a cheer speaks loudest
when it’s uttered from the heart.
Richard Bowman: super
fan, loyal friend, extraordinary
human. The voice of a champi-

Cross Country Ski Clinics
PICK ONE OR MORE
January 31 - 11:00 AM Deadline - January 29
February 7 - 10:00 AM Deadline - February 5
February 7 - 2:00 PM Deadline - February 5
Clinic held at Notre Dame Golf Course
Register in Advance at RecSports
$5.00 Charge
Wear Layered Clothing and Warm Gloves
Equipment Rental Available - $4.00 Charge

ND/SMC Ballroom Dance Schedule

(Save this schedule)

Jan 27 - Cha Cha
Feb 3 - Swing/Jive
Feb. 10 - Samba
Feb. 17 - Waltz
Feb. 24 - Mambo
Mar. 3 - Hustle
Mar 17 - Salsa/Merengue

Look For these Special Events!
Mon, Feb 16 - Balloon Bowling
Thurs, Feb 26 - Top of Don O’Day’s
Mon. Mar. 23 - Competition Practice-LaFon Ballroom
Mar. 24 - Review for Competition
Sat, Mar. 28 - ND’s own Intercollegiate Ballroom Dance Competition
Thurs, Apr. 16 - Country Line Dancing - Laun Ballroom 7:30-9:30
Tues, Apr. 21 - End of the year party at Chuck & Cheese’s

Classes Are Every Tuesday, 9:15- 10:45, 301 Rockne
Cost: $3 per lesson or $15 per semester ($20 competition-team)

For more info, contact Greg at 4-1817 or Sherain at 284-5138
or check out our web site at: http://www.nd.edu/~ballroom
Athletes face new opportunities

Coaches see problems with jobs for athletes

By JEFF MCDONALD
Daily Texan

The NCAA recently passed a proposal allowing college athletes to hold part-time jobs year-round, reversing a long-held policy prohibiting such a thing.

Somewhere, Barry Switzer is smiling — and planning a comeback. Just imagine the possibilities for some good old-fashioned cheatin' for Switzer, the man who never met a rule he couldn't stretch to the limits.

So, Mr. Prize Recruit can't decide between State U. and Tiny Tech? Well, Switzer — or someone like him — can just call up Dr. Moneybags, that high-powered school alum, to hook Mr. Recruit up with a spiffy $500-a-week job sharpening pencils somewhere. Suddenly, Mr. Recruit is convinced.

What it all amounts to is a de facto cash payment, which, for the moment, is still a no-no in NCAA land:

"We're opening a can of worms," Oklahoma basketball coach Kevin Sampson said in a Monday teleconference. "I'm all for rules we can manage. My question is this: Is this going to have an effect on your recruit- ing in certain situations? Then we've created more problems."

Indeed, there is little to stop an unscrupulous coach from abusing the rule to improve the Program. But wait, there's more. All too often with today's athlete, going to school takes a back seat to going to the basket. And now with pursuit of the almighty dollar thrown into the mix, more and more players will avoid class like a bad case of turftoe.

That's yet another downside. Kansas State hoops coach Tom Asbury admits:

"It's great in theory, but it's not workable," he said. "These guys do not have time to be student-athletes and hold down a job. Something's going to suffer. They are two things that won't suffer — basketball and their jobs. So what's left to suffer? It's going to be their academics.

In an era when the NCAA investigative team already has to play Dragnet to catch rules violators, the last thing it needs to do is to create a loophole the size of Michigan's Robert Traylor.

For a better solution the NCAA should look in the root of the problem — the fact that an academic scholarship can fall up to $1,500 short of the full cost of attending a given university. If these scholarships showed players all of the money instead of a portion, there would be no need for an athlete to look for a job in the first place.

If it's broke, it needs to be fixed, not broken further.

"With all the millions of dollars they bring in, I can't understand why kids don't get that kind of stipend," UT head coach Tom Penders said. "I don't think you'll find a coach in the country who would be against players getting a full scholarship," Riley, from Roann, Ind., has been honored for the third consecutive week as the Big East rookie of the week. She shared the honor with UConn's Svetlana Abrosimova, as she averaged 20.0 points, 10.5 rebounds, and 2.5 blocks.

Against Syracuse, Riley registered career-highs of 29 points and 13 rebounds, which marked the fifth straight game she had posted a double-double to become the first Irish women's basketball player to record five straight double-doubles. She was 13-15 shooting from the field in 32 minutes of play. In the Providence game, Riley scored in double figures for the sixth straight game as she scored 11 points, grabbed eight rebounds and blocked four shots.

Riley, who has played in all 219 minutes of 32 games and started the last 12 contests, has been in double figures in eight games and has grabbed 10-plus rebounds six times.

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Irish cap weekend sweep

Notre Dame opens up season on high note

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The sweeping of league powerhouse teams in Notre Dame's first season matchup can give it the confidence necessary to propel it through the rest of its schedule. The fencing team did just that, beginning the NCAA season this weekend defeating St. John's, Stanford, and Rutgers.

'The tournament was a matter of us getting our rhythm," said head coach Yves Auriol. "Despite our fine play, it is the beginning of the season, and there's room for improvement."

"But the NCAA race will be between a handful of top teams, and we've already beat two of them (St. John's and Stanford)." The biggest room for improvement should come for the men's foil, who lost at the hands of the Red Storm and the Cardinal. The only winning record for the Irish against these teams came from sophomore Chaz Hayes with a 2-1 record versus St. John's.

The squad will need to build on teamwork to put them on top again. Said Auriol, "Their strength is as a team. By working together they can be excellent."

The team built its confidence for the day on the strength of Luke La Valle's play in sabre. His perfect 9-0 record included the defeat of last year's NCAA champion Keith Smart (St. John's). Epeeists Carl Jackson and Brian Stone continued their consistent performances with 7-2 and 5-2 records, respectively.

"The Irish will come closer to the question now is whether we will qualify for the NCAA tournament. The question now is whether we will win them." The Irish will come closer to that answer this weekend as they compete in meets at both Harvard and Brandeis.

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'='Super Fan' provides inspiration for Irish netters

Every practice, every match. He's not a team member's grandfather or a former coach, but for more than a decade, Richard Bowman has been there. He's there.

The disease has robbed him of his trademark voice to call them by their nicknames and cheer them on from cheering or straining with little distinction. Talking on the phone is impossible. Saying "I love you" to his wife of more than 30 years is an obstacle. Even chatting about the weather is complicated.

Nevertheless, even the deadly disease hasn't stopped the super fun from cheering or straining to ask how players' parents are or what their classes are like. "It's amazing to me that with all the problems he must be dealing with ... he still has the strength of character to ask how we're doing," Patterson wrote in a letter to his teammates.

But why should anything change now? This is exactly what Bowman has been doing since he and his wife Yvonne adopted the team in the mid-1980s.

"We came over to cheer the team and found they didn't have a lot of fans," Mrs. Bowman recalled, speaking for her husband as well. "They put a lot of energy into the game and needed support. Since then, every Saturday afternoon was planned." The weekend would roll on.

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Not even Lou Gehrig's disease has stopped Richard Bowman (right) from being an inspiration to the Notre Dame men's tennis team.