CSC hosts educational forum on Iraq

By TIM LOGAN
New Writer

A "teach-in" concerning the threatened United States assault on Iraq was held yesterday afternoon in the Center for Social Concerns.

The event was held to increase awareness of the current situation in Iraq and provide a forum for members of the Notre Dame community to discuss the issue.

There were short talks given by a number of professors, clergy, students and other local experts who presented facts and figures concerning the situation in Iraq.

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There was a good deal of discussion of alternatives to a bombing campaign as well as the ramifications of military action.

Speakers also considered whether the U.S. has the right to use bombs to enforce U.N. resolution 687. The resolution mandates that Iraq turn over all of its weapons of mass destruction and allow U.N. inspection teams full access to suspected sites.

George Lopez, who attended a portion of the event, delivered a lecture last Wednesday entitled "Dealing with Saddam: Bombing, Bargaining or Bailing Out." In that lecture, Cortright said that bombing "offers no guarantee to eliminate Iraqi weapons," and may make matters more difficult for the United States by inflaming anti-western passions in the Arab world.

The sanctions which were imposed on Iraq at the end of the Gulf War "have revealed haves on Iraqi society" and "created a humanitarian emergency," said Lopez.

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Family of murder — suicide victim sues Harvard

The suit does not specify monetary damages.

According to one of the plaintiff’s attorneys, Max Stern, the family waited to file suit in order to collect evidence and prepare to enter a trial. "We took some time to think of the family to decide if it was something they wished to pursue," Stern said. "They would not have done it if they had not believed Harvard was at fault." University spokesperson Alex Huppe declined to comment on the suit, noting that he had not yet read the document. "We can’t comment on something we haven’t seen," Huppe said.

STETSON UNIVERSITY
Prospective student shot with BB gun

A visiting prospective female student was shot in the face with a BB pellet last week. Will Smith, an RA from Stetson’s Central Village, called the incident occurred on Feb. 8. The victim was standing on a side walk outside Smith Hall when the incident occurred. She was taken to the hospital by ambulance and released later that day. Gill, when she felt an object strike her face on the right side of her face, she fell to the ground. The object caused the BB to enter the victim’s face and exit her face. The object was not recovered, nor was the object identified. Gill declined the victim was standing with a friend. Michelle Cross, who is currently a student at Stetson. Cross was unable to be reached for comment.

BIRMINGHAM UNIVERSITY
Alleged rapist charged in kidnapping

The man accused of raping a BYU student was also charged with aggravated kidnapping Tuesday morning in addition to the charges of aggravated sexual assault, said County Attorney Kay Bryson. Bryson said Luis Alonso Rivera faced a felony first court appearance Tuesday and was charged accordingly. Bail was set for $50,000 for the second charge of aggravated kidnapping. Rivera is “said by the entire event and is anxious to get the charges resolved in the interest of justice,” said Steve Killpack, court-appointed attorney for Rivera and director of the public defender’s office. “We’re unaware of any confusion about this time.” Killpack said. There are two separate cases, one for each of the people Rivera attacked. Bryson said in the case of the man, he said Rivera is charged with only aggravated kidnapping. In the other case, he is charged with both aggravated kidnapping and aggravated sexual assault. Each case has a $50,000 bail for a total of $100,000, he said.

NEW YORK UNIVERSITY
NYU drops charges against student

New York University has dropped its charges against student activist Siungm Shon, who accused NYU of discrimina tion against Chinese women in hiring for construction jobs. But at a press conference Wednesday, NYU activist groups said they will not be satisfied until the University changes its policy and stops hiring Chinese women. Shon, a member of the Chinese Staff and Worker Association, said she filed the NYU charge with the US Equal Employment Opportunity Commission. She said the University’s policy discriminates against women as a minority group. Shon said the University had stopped hiring Chinese women for construction workers at a campus building site. NYU put Shon on probation after she opened questioned University of ficials at a fundraising dinner celebrating the launch of an Asian Pacific American Program at the University. NYU also added to the charges after she said the University’s policy discriminated against Chinese women. Shon said the letter was intimidating, and inhibited his actions. “It was very frightening,” Shon said. “When I received the letter, I was caught with my guard down.”

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
New coalition joins admissions suit

The university has nearly one year to respond to a coalition’s motion to intervene in the first of two lawsuits challenging the university’s admissions process. The coalition, Citizens for Affirmative Action’s Preservation, filed a motion in Detroit Federal Court on Feb. 5 to become a defendant in the suit. Members of the coalition, including several national civil rights organizations and high school students, have asked the federal court in October on behalf of two white applicants who claim they were unfairly evaluated in the admissions processes of the College of Literature, Science and Arts because it uses race as a factor in evaluating applicants.

SOUTH BEND WEATHER

The AccuWeather forecast for noon, Fri., February 20.

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"The conference staff is really excited to see the conference. We’ve been planning for a long time and it’s been nothing but hard work. We’re glad to see that played out in the conference," said Lori Gundler, conference co-chair.

As soon as students returned to campus last August, prepara­ tion work for the conference began. The committee, com­ posed of nine people, planned all aspects of the con­ ference, including registration, accommodations, meals, rooms for meetings/programming, entertainment, security and hospitality.

The committee has been aided by the various Student Government Association branches as well as the admin­ istration.

Saint Mary’s will have 10 offi­ cial representatives at the conference as well as one communi­ cations coordinator and one advisor. The Saint Mary’s delega­ tion will include students in their sam­ grams and facilitate roundtable discussions.

The conference begins Friday evening at 8 p.m. with “Ruff Call,” a student speaking seminar and event. Any Saint Mary’s student may attend that seminar, which will be held in Carroll Auditorium.

Universities and colleges sending representatives to the conference include Ball State University, Manchester College, Purdue University, Rose­ hulsa College, University of Technology, Butler University, Valparaiso University, Indiana State University, University of Southern Indiana, University of Evansville and DePauw University.

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That progress may be evaluat­ ed on different levels, depending on whom you ask. There will always be some people who feel more should be done.

“I think it’s never quite where you want it to go,” (Hesburgh said regarding civil rights), “It’s something that you have to work on. But again, you got to remember we started from ground zero, so from that standpoint there’s an enormous change.”

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Hesburgh’s work on the com­ mission brought him together with the nation’s government and civil rights leaders. In the hallway in his office on the 13th floor of the library hangs a black-and-white photograph of Hesburgh, Martin Luther King and others holding hands in a circle at a housing march and prayer service in Chicago.

“On the first anniversary of King’s death, I was invited down to Martin’s church … to give the talk, the sermon down there,” Hesburgh said. “And Daddy King, his father, said, ‘Do you want to wear Martin’s robe?’ And I said, ‘Sure.’”

“It was a Baptist church. Then he leaned over to me and he said, ‘You’re not only the first Catholic priest who ever preached in this church, you’re the first white man who ever preached in this church.’ And I said, ‘OK, Daddy, then you come up and preach in my church.’ And he did.”

With all that has passed since Hesburgh’s days on the Civil Rights Commission and King’s death, there are few who deny that there is still room for improvement.

“I think Martin Luther King was an honest man, and he’d have to say we’ve made more progress in the last 20 years than we did in the 200 years before.”

Hesburgh said, “But we do have a long way to go yet! Of course. The real problem is not just laws. We’ve got the laws. It’s people in their hearts.

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LAS VEGAS

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The men were arrested in suburban Henderson late Wednesday as they were allegedly looking to arrange a test of the substance. Their beige overcoats, sealed in plastic, was handed off to a military base for tests to confirm whether the material inside was the germ warfare agent.

An informant said one of the men told him he had "military-grade anthrax" in flight bags in the trunk of the Mercedes, according to an FBI affidavit. The informant said he saw eight to 10 bags marked "biological" in the trunk.

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WASHINGTON

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The official made the disclosure after a ambassadors meeting in Brussels decided to extend NATO's presence in Bosnia beyond June, when the current mandate expires. Despite widespread U.S. presence, the overall NATO commitment is expected to remain at its current level at least until national elections in Bosnia this fall. Clinton has warned that Bosnia "could backslide into war" if the United States and NATO withdrew peacekeepers. Among major U.S. diplomatic challenges, Bosnia is emerging as a bright spot.

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Special to The Observer

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Lauer is currently the director of liturgy and music at Christ the King Catholic Church in South Bend, Ind. She holds a bachelor of music degree in vocal performance from Indiana University at South Bend, where she was a winner of the 1992 Concerts Night Competition.

Lauer has given numerous vocal recitals in the area and has been featured in the "First Unitarian Church Concert Series." [South Bend, I.] "The Concerts Night Recital Series is Joseph's," said her accompanist, Ernita Mokranjac Music School of gifted children in South Bend, Ind.

She has toured Ireland with the Notre Dame Folk Choir, where she sang that year's two recordings: "Of Holy Women" and "Candied Seasons." Lauer's voice has also been featured in several local area television and radio commercials.

Lauris Vuckich began her piano education at the age of five. She attended the Mokranjac Music School for gifted children in Yugoslavia. There, she received the S. Mokranjac and the D. Kirn foundations awards, and competed successfully in many city, state and Republican competitions.

She attended Belgrade Erasmus University and came to Indiana University South Bend in 1993 to join the Martin Pre-Law Program in the law program of Alexander Toradze.

Lauer is a graduate assistant at USB.

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Cape Canaveral

They came dangerously close to abandoning Mir when the worst fire ever aboard a flying spacecraft broke out one year ago. But through the composure of the cosmonauts pulled out the rạngen once the smoke cleared.

The Feb. 23 blaze was just the first in a string of calamities that would bedevil the Russian space station and its international crews: a mid-space collision, a crashed computer, nosy fumes, blustering temperatures.

The revelation that there was a cognac aboard is hardly likely to inflame Mir's tattered image. But composure Alexander Lzuinov says it was purely for medicinal purposes -- that having extinguished the fire, the crew needed a sip of hard stuff to extinguish the stress.

"It was like any people on Earth who have weekends, builds. We needed to relax, so we would allow ourselves a sip of cognac," he explained in an interview.

On board there is a little bit of alcohol aboard, if you can imagine the stressful situation on board, therefore a small quantity can be consumed," echoed comissar Vladimir Tsibliyev.

American astronaut Jerry Linenger, a physician, declined. He says he doesn't drink much alcohol on Earth, let alone space where you do not need to have all your senses, you need it sharp every minute.

According to Linenger, the bottled cognac was brought aboard on unmanned supply ships and stored through straws. Russian ground control wanted the samples intact, he said in an interview.

While NASA freely forbids on-board drinking in orbit, the space agency's rules seem lax, to say the least. Each program sets its own regulations for its own spacecraft.

"No, we don't look at it... as a medication to calm your nerves and help you through some tough situations," Linenger said. "But the problem on Mir is, the next day is also a tough situation.

It's so tough, day after day and month after month, that even astronauts with combat experience have recovered from four-month stints saying never again.

"I would not send any more people to Mir," said David Leesma, director of NASA's flight crew operations. "Everybody comes back and says it's the hardest thing they've ever done."

Seven NASA astronauts have served on Mir, the last being Andrew Thomas who arrived in January, and all are convinced their work has contributed to the next big step in space research -- to assemble an international station in orbit starting this summer.

Mir's setbacks have taught NASA and the American public much about what a space station can and can't do, says Marcia Smith, a specialist in space policy for the Congressional Research Service in Washington.

However, she said, "There's still a question as to whether you need seven people to go to space to extinguish the fire." Linenger, who quit NASA at the end of 1997, feels good about his contribution: oxygen generators are safer than the cognac.

The igniter on the solid-fuel, oxygen-generating canister in all likelihood caused the blaze, so the canisters on the international space station will be adapted accordingly.

The fire burned like a blowtorch for about 14 minutes and blocked the exit leading to two of two lifeboats, each capable of holding just three people. The next space station will have a smoke-inhibiting system, and its lifeboats will be twice as big.

The smoke was so thick aboard Mir that its six occupants an American, a German and four Russians, could barely see. Linenger's oxygen mask didn't work, so he had to grab another. The fire extinguishers proved ineffective and the burning lithium perchlorate fuel.

The fire, Linenger suggested that everyone take vitamin pills and powdered milk to neutralize any contaminants inhaled or swallowed. Russian flight controllers counseled and also recommended "a little special medicine," which turns out to have been the cognac.

The fire was "one of the worst things that ever happened in the history of space flight," Tsibliyev said.

He ought to know.

After the fire, problems snowballed aboard 12-year-old Mir, some because of its age, others for unrelated reasons.

Tsibliyev, Mir's commander, and Lazutkin, his flight engineer, were there for all of it: when the fire broke out; when the cargo ship rammed and ruptured Mir in a June docking test; when computers crashed and the station lurched through orbit, when noxious anti-freeze fumes leaked from corroded pipes; when temperature sensors inside shot above 90 F.

Lazutkin prematurely dis­ connected a cable and the fire adrift without sun-generating panel. He insisted he wasn't exhausted or overworked, he simply made a mistake. Tsibliyev, overawed after the collision, developed an irregular heartbeat. Doctors attributed it to stress, and he was barred from spacewalking repairs.

Tsibliyev knew he would be blamed for the collision since he was the one controlling the unmanned cargo ship. He was, in fact, faulted by some Russian space officials, but a Russian investigative board confirmed the blame around, citing "an unfavorable combination of factors."

The Russians say they will keep Mir orbiting with rotating crews through 1999, after which the station would be hauled back into the atmosphere to burn up. No date has been set.

For the cosmonauts, after six months back on Earth, time seems to have softened even the hardest memories.

"Fly on Mir isn't dangerous at all," Tsibliyev noted during a visit to Italy last month. "The demonstration is the fact that we are continuing to live on it even after the breach caused by the collision."

During a trip to New York earlier this month, Lazutkin declared: "I want to go back." He was crazy? He laughed hard and replied. "All astronomers are crazy men."
Tobacco companies add nicotine

Associated Press

NEW YORK

America's third-largest tobacco company is secretly adding genetically altered, high-nicotine tobacco to cigarettes it exports to Asia, the Middle East and Western Europe, a company executive has testified.

Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corp. uses twice as much of the high-nicotine leaf in cigarettes sold overseas as it does in brands marketed in the United States, said Roger Black, the company's director of leaf blending, in a deposition for New York's class-action lawsuit against major tobacco companies.

The genetically altered tobacco packs twice the nicotine of natural leaf.

The Jan. 16 deposition was conducted in private, and tobacco industry lawyers requested it remain confidential.

However, a copy of a portion of the transcript was obtained by The Associated Press on Thursday. During his deposition, Black testified that:

- The Viceroy King Size and Viceroy Lights cigarettes exported to Europe, the Middle East, Hong Kong and other parts of Asia are 6 percent high-nicotine tobacco.
- Export brands began packing the leaf in 1995. Brown & Williamson uses the leaf. These brands are 2 percent to 4 percent high-nicotine leaf. The reason for the lower levels for American cigarettes was not explained.
- Hundreds of strains of high-nicotine leaf have been developed, with at least five used in Brown & Williamson cigarettes sold in the United States.
- Souza Cruz, a Brazilian company owned by BAT Industries PLC, the same British conglomerate that controls Brown & Williamson, grew and supplied a large part of the high-nicotine tobacco used in the American cigarettes.
- Souza Cruz most recently shipped the tobacco to Brown & Williamson in 1995 and 1996.
- A small quantity of genetically altered, nicotine-rich tobacco — code named Y-1 — was grown in Kentucky in 1984 and 1985 and added to Brown & Williamson cigarettes sold in the United States.

Tobacco companies add nicotine

U.S. House questions Arlington burial sites

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Rep. Bob Stump and Lane Evans, both military veterans, have introduced legislation that would deny them — and a lot of others — burial in Arlington National Cemetery.

Stump, R-Ariz., chairman of the House Veterans' Affairs Committee, and Evans, D-Ill., the ranking minority member, said their bill would clear up the recent controversy over who is eligible to be buried at the cemetery.

"Our bill meets head-on the concerns raised in recent months over the discretionary waiver process at Arlington," Evans said. Allegations arose last year that the Clinton administration had given waivers to big campaign donors who normally would not be allowed burial at Arlington.

Subsequent hearings and an investigation by the congressional watchdog office, the General Accounting Office, found no evidence of improper waivers but concluded there was a lack of clear guidelines for the waiver process.

Under the Stump-Evans bill, which will be discussed at hearings next week, eligibility would be determined by the vice president, members of Congress, Supreme Court justices, high-level diplomats and other senior government officials who served in the military but do not otherwise meet criteria for Arlington burial.

That would disqualify Stump, who was in the Navy during World War II, and Evans, who was a Marine during the Vietnam War but did not serve in Vietnam.

The president and ex-presidents would continue to be eligible, as would service members who die on active duty, retired members of the armed forces, recipients of major combat medals and former prisoners of war.

The bill would allow certain close family members of eligible veterans to be buried in the same grave with loved ones without a waiver and would codify regulations allowing the cremated remains of any veteran with an honorable discharge to be kept at the cemetery.

Only memorials honoring military service would be allowed on the grounds.
**IRAQ**

U.N. leader will visit Baghdad

Associated Press

BAGHDAD, Iraq -

Bound for Iraq in a last­thursday, U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan declared Thursday he was "reasonably optimistic" about his chances of ending the weapons-inspection standoff without force.

In case he fails, the United Nations evacuated dozens more aid workers. Tuesday, and the Polish Embassy - which represents U.S. interests in Iraq - became the Iraqi government's last diplomatic mission.

Speaking to reporters in New York, Annan acknowledged a "great deal of suspicion on both sides." His aims for weekend talks with Saddam Hussein were straightforward: "To explain the situation very clearly - and get him to understand that it is in his best interest and in the interest of the Iraqi people to agree to implement Security Council resolutions."

Annan stopped in Paris for talks and was to arrive in Baghdad on Friday, after the Security Council approved his mission Wednesday.

Speaking to reporters after a meeting with French President Jacques Chirac, Annan said, "I hope will be able to convince President Saddam Hussein to accept certain proposals that I will make to avoid a military strike."

Chirac called Annan's mission "extremely difficult and important" and said that the U.N. leader had France's full support. "I hope, thanks to him, wisdom and reason will prevail," he said.

The U.N. Security Council postponed a briefing Thursday on the progress of weapons inspections and prepared for a vote Friday to allow Iraq to move more than double the amount of oil it can sell under a U.N.-approved oil-for-food plan.

Both moves were seen as an effort to increase Annan's chances of negotiating a peaceful resolution to the crisis.

The United States wished Annan success, but made clear it reserved the right to reject any deal he makes - and to attack to force Saddam to open all suspected weapons sites to U.N. inspectors.

The draft weapons inspections report to be presented to the council claims Iraq has failed to fully disclose its chemical and biological weapons ability or to provide information on its missile warheads.

The report by Richard Butler, the chief U.N. weapons inspector, also says Iraq may possess enough material to manufacture as much as 200 tons of the deadly VX nerve agent.

Saddam sent a message Thursday to Russian President Boris Yeltsin saying he was committed to a diplomatic solution, the official Iraqi News Agency reported. Yeltsin has been loud and blunt最美的 among world leaders in opposing any U.S. use of force to end the crisis.

The Polish Embassy, which has handled U.S. interests in Iraq since the 1991 Persian Gulf War, said it sent its diplomats and their families to accept its mission.

The remaining six diplomats would follow, Polish Ambassador Roman Chalutzkiewicz said, "without saying when."

The U.N. Embassy in Jordan said Washington played no role in the Polish decision to evacuate, which Polish officials pre­sumed because it could prompt an exodus of American missions from Iraq.

A total of 29 U.N. relief workers pulled out of Baghdad before dawn Thursday. Another 10 were to follow Friday.

The move was a precaution "in case everything does not work out," said Denis Halliday, the U.N. oil-for-food program's coordinator for Iraq.

About 250 workers, out of a total of 400, remain in Iraq to run the U.N.-approved oil-for-food program distributing aid to Iraqis.

**CUBA**

Cuba frees prisoners

Associated Press

MEXICO CITY, Cuba -

The Cuban government said Thursday it has freed 299 prisoners as a result of Pope John Paul II's visit last month, and may free another 20. Cuban Foreign Ministry spokesman Alejandro Gonzalez told a news conference in Havana the prisoners were freed last Friday and Saturday, although word of the releases trickled out slowly over the following days.

Gonzalez said the released prisoners had been convicted of both ordinary crimes and political crimes, according to the Cuban government news agency Prensa Latina, monitored in Mexico City.

Among the freed prisoners, 224 were released for humanitarian reasons, including old age and ill health.

But during the papal visit, the Vatican presented Cuba with a list of more than 300 prisoners, although 106 of them already had been freed. The list included 160 political prisoners.

Gonzalez said 20 political prisoners on the Vatican list remain under study. But the government decided not to free another 60 to 70 on the list because of the seriousness of their crimes.

The government has not released the names of those freed.

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King's wedding cake sells for $26,000 at auction

NEW YORK

A 61-year-old piece of wedding cake sold for $26,000 on Thursday, part of the spirited auction of the estate of the late Duke of Windsor.

Though likely very stale by now, the cake, sealed in a nearly three-inch-square white box, has the distinction of being from the 1937 wedding of Edward VIII, the former king of England, and the woman for whom he gave up his throne, American divorcee Wallis Warfield Simpson. It had been valued at up to $1,000 in a pre-sale estimate.

Telephone bidders joined an audience of about 1,000 at Sotheby's in purchasing an array of items from the estate. The cake's buyer, 31-year-old Benjamin Yim, identified himself as a San Francisco entrepreneur and said he intended to keep his purchase.

"I'm not going to eat it," joked the Hong Kong native, who said he was attracted to the item by the couple's love story. "I think it's epitome of true romance." The duchess, who survived her husband, left most of the estate to the Institute Pasteur in Paris. The institute sold it to the Dodi Fayed International Charitable Foundation, headed by Egyptian-born millionaire Mohamed Al Fayed.

The auction initially was set for last September but was postponed after the Paris car crash that killed Fayed's son, Dodi, and Princess Diana.

Proceeds of the auction will go to the foundation. Also sold were a brass ashtray, which went for $1,200, and a pair of glass claret jugs given to Edward by his grandmother, Queen Alexandra. The jugs, valued before the auction at up to $3,000, sold for $35,000 to a Los Angeles buyer.

"This is the biggest auction we've ever held in the United States, and as a royal collection, more or less unprecedented in history," said Sotheby's expert Joe Friedman. "One has to go back to the 17th century to find anything comparable — the sale of the possessions of Charles I." Edward's short-lived reign ended in 1936 when he deposed the crown to marry Simpson and became the only English monarch ever to abdicate. He died in 1972; she died 14 years later, leaving the estate to charity.

Among 40,000 items to be sold, the priciest was Sir Alfred Munnings' 1921 painting of Edward, Prince of Wales, in riding habit astride "Forest Witch," valued at $650,000 to $800,000. The cheapest, a small 1962 portrait of the Duchess, $40 to $80. Otherwise, bidders could choose from an array of furniture, paintings, jewelry, housewares, dishes, rugs, bric-a-brac, clothing, scrapbooks and souvenirs of the merry lives of Windsor.

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Charles Rice

Her life, her death, drew world attention to the efforts of her Missionaries of Charity in a part of the world where Holy Cross missionaries and in Bangladesh do the same work with the support of the Bengal Bouts.

Mother Teresa’s task, as she defined it, was to provide “free service to the poor and the unwanted, irrespective of caste, creed, nationality or race.”

“The poor,” she said, “give us much more than we give them. We have so much to learn from them.”

This thought was frequently echoed by Father Edmund Goddet, the 1997 posthumous recipient of the Bengal Bouts Award, who worked 38 years in Bangladesh and served as chaplain to the Boxing Club after his return to Notre Dame. “Proceeds from the Bouts,” he said to the boxers, “have assisted the missionaries in their work of maintaining schools, dispensaries and feeding the hungry in the poorest country in the world.”

So the first reason we should support the Bengal Bouts is to participate in the efforts of the Holy Cross missionaries as they do the great work brought to the attention of the world by Mother Teresa. Dominick J. “Nappy” Napolitano, director of the Bengal Bouts, pointed out in 1981, epitomized this purpose of the Bouts: “Strong bodies fight that weak bodies may be nourished.”

Beyond that, the Bouts themselves are a unique athletic phenomenon that could happen only at Notre Dame. “In 1931,” wrote Chicago sports columnist Bill Gleason, “Father Vincent Moriarity had an idea. Notre Dame’s students would put on a boxing show. Proceeds would go to the Holy Cross order to help the priests with their missionary work in India. The students wouldn’t merely sponsor the bouts; they would fight in them. And if a student had attended Notre Dame, the words ‘Bengal Bouts’ have only a little less meaning than ‘The Fighting Irish.’”

“In the beginning,” wrote Gleason, “one college kid said to another, ‘Let’s have a team for the students.’” Somewhat later a coach said, “Let’s have students for the boxers.” And that was the start of the kind of recruiting which led to the current scandal caused by phony transcripts of credit. Every now and then is an event that reminds us of how campus sports were run in the time before athletic directors and huge coaching staffs. The Bengal Bouts are... as purely amateur as a sport can be.”

“One of the most special things about the Bengal Bouts,” said Coach Tom Suddes, “is that you may end up in the ring with your best friend, and after the final bell rings the relationship is even stronger than it was before you stepped onto the mat.”

As Coach Terry Johnson noted, “The Bouts attract the same type of guys every year. They are out to try something new and really listen and work hard. We teach traditional, stand-up style boxing the same way Nappy taught for 50 years, and we have always approached boxing as a sport, not a fight. The guys understand this and are interested in the idea of sportsmanship, camaraderie and boxing for the missions.”

The principle changes over the years. Johnson pointed out, have been contin­uum improvements in the safety of our programs.

“Nappy always made sure that injuries were not a part of the Bouts,” said Johnson, “but now with the contrib­utions of Dr. Moriarity and the medical staff, the safety factor has been formal­ized and risks are minimal for the boxers.”

The student officers of the Boxing Club run the program under the super­vision of Coach Johnson, a Chicago attorney, Coach Suddes, a Columbus, Ohio, developer, and Coach Pat Farrell.

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Mother Teresa

who is the University pilot.

“Any member of the Club,” said presi­dent Ryan Rans, “will tell you that par­ticipation in this program is the most memorable experience of his Notre Dame career.”

The other officers are Lucas Molina, Sean Sharp, Fred Kelley, Tommy Will, Mike LaDuke and Brian Gaffney.

“Our primary emphasis,” said Molina, “is on safety. We have never had a serious injury in the program and we mean to keep it that way.”

Dr. James Moriarity, University chiefs of medicine, maintains a close watch on the program. No contact is permitted in practice without EMT’s in attendance. Trainer Jack Mooney and his assistants, Jack Zimmerman and Sweet C, Robinson, maintain a high level of skill and efficiency which itself is a protec­tion against injury.

Jack Mooney, 85-years-young, was with Nappy at the beginning. He was Knute Rockne’s paper boy, and Rockne himself smuggled Jack onto the side­lines at home football games. Jack has been an inspiration to countless mem­bers of the Boxing Club.

Junior Emily Schmidt is indispensable in her handling of the administrative details of the program. Assisted by Molly O’Rourke, Emily has the title of office manager, but she is really the brains of the outfit. Her dedication and ability explain why the Bouts nettet a record $25,000 contribution to the mis­sions in 1997.

“The reason for being of this pro­gram,” she said, “is to send the maxi­mum possible contribution to the Holy Cross Missions.”

On the 25th anniversary of his ordi­nance, Goede wrote, “What do I have to show for 25 years besides a bunch of used calendars? Not much. But, through the Masses, I have made Him present to the masses of people over thousands of times and places. Often the place where He’s never been before. I have made Him present to some who might otherwise never have known Him or His Good News. I have made a few nuns aware of the Christian calling and a Christian’s duties toward others. And, with your help, I have made the lives of some a little easier, a little happier, a little more Christian.”

The 69th Bengal Bouts will be held this Monday and Wednesday with the finals on Fridy. We hope you will support this effort.

Mother Teresa would approve.

Professor Cuarles Rice is on the Law School faculty and is advisor to the Boxing Club. His column appears every other Friday. The views expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.
Jayson Skeen
From Boys to Men
We hear at all the time: "Who's the man?" Who's the strongest, and who dominates? Who takes what he wants, and who deserves the most respect? If "I am" is the answer to these questions, then I ask you again: Who's the man? Who can accept his weaknesses and subordination from his mistakes and a man. A male one of the most better man" prove his manhood, but applause. More important is and afford not to be closer to excellence and this is a symbol, this is an ideal. An·d with the opportunity to grow in the shadow of the man. In The Four Quartets: "the man" with the胚胎" to arrive do not. Note: li:pect- of an says: "I can be a better man?" To "turn the other cheek" is arguably one of the most difficult things to ask of a man. A male is naturally inclined to prove his manhood, but our social val ue never ordained true manhood, and the choice between "the man" and the better man is left to the one. The obvious better man usually turns his cheek while maintaining his integrity, but as long as he needs no applause. More important is the experience of "the man." "Ironically" to be "the man" is still a boy, but dealing with a difficult decision such as this, he can test and eventually prove his true manhood. Does he recognize his mistake and naturally possess for his weakness? Un fortunately, in our increasingly competitive community, there is little room for mistakes and "men" cannot afford not to be "the man." Notre Dame is a symbol of excellence and perfection, and hopefully men will graduate closer to excellence and perfection, but this is a symbol, this is an ideal. The problem is that too many of us cannot appreciate the value of an ideal, and too many of us forget our natural limits. Men were never created with the ability to embody a symbol or an ideal, but God blessed him with the capacity for self-reflection and improvement. As wise men, we are given the opportunity to grow in the shadow of "the man." The "man" is always destined to be able to contribute to the excellence and perfection of the community. As wise men, we are un able to understand more about the characteristics of the man, but with God's blessing we are not expected to be the "man." If you are still determined to be "the man," remember you must first not be the man. In The Four Quartet: East E. T. S. T. S. Eliot explains: "In order to arrive at what you do not know. You must go by the way which is the way of ignorance." "In order to possess what you do not possess. You must go by the way of dis­ possession." "In order to arrive at what you are not. You must go through the way in which you are." Before you know everything, you must first know nothing, before you possess you strength, you must possess weakness; and before you are a man, you must accept your imperfec­ tions and take responsibility for your actions. It is a difficult thing to swallow your pride and keep your mouth shut, but as long as you know you will always be the "man" without letting everyone know, you will be the "man." We are taught in our Christian direction. We are taught how much gods hate to lose, so remember that as long as you are a learner, learning means to be your own man, you can't lose.

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When we first learned of Justin's passing we felt an enormous void, as if we were two lonely strangers left in the cold and uncontrolled deserts of our grief. We stepped upon. However, this journey was not one that we have to travel alone. Many others have walked in our shoes and our hearts have been healed and made whole. When we learned of Justin's passing we felt an enormous void, as if we were two lonely strangers left in the cold and uncontrolled deserts of our grief. We stepped upon. However, this journey was not one that we have to travel alone. Many others have walked in our shoes and our hearts have been healed and made whole. When we learned of Justin's passing we felt an enormous void, as if we were two lonely strangers left in the cold and uncontrolled deserts of our grief. We stepped upon. However, this journey was not one that we have to travel alone. Many others have walked in our shoes and our hearts have been healed and made whole. 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Junior Parent

Here's to you Mr. Robinson

Although no one in the family has ever attended Notre Dame or is Irish, they've always been very big Notre Dame football fans ... particularly Mr. Robinson. He grew up in the middle class suburbs of Baltimore. Every Saturday afternoon he watched the Blue and Gold wreak havoc on opposing teams. When it came time to apply to colleges, he wanted to apply to Notre Dame, but his family’s finances would not support his dream. John attended Catholic University where he lettered in football all four years.

It was shortly after he graduated from Catholic that he met his future wife, Thelma. It was anything but love at first sight. He tried using one of those timeless pick-up lines like, “You must be tired, you've been running through my mind all day.” Eventually however, the street smart, young vixen, Thelma, a real estate broker at the time, saw through his rough exterior. They eventually got married and had a wonderful son, Era, (they're not obsessed or anything) who is now fulfilling John’s dreaming of going to Notre Dame. They bought a nice house in the middle class suburbs and bought a few dogs and cats, all who have the name of same famous ND football player. Little do the older Robinsons realize that Era really wanted to go to NYU film school and become the next Stephen Spielberg. The only problem is, he is prone to breaking cameras.

Dancing in D.C.

The Williams family hail from the Washington, D.C., where father, Earl, and mother, Andrea, are both well-established lawyers. They commute together everyday to the city from their home in Fairfax, a mere twenty minutes from their five bedroom, four bath, split-level ranch home. Their three car garage, stocked with three Jeep Cherokees, is adjacent to the fully furnished basement which provides the children with a recreational room and Earl with a place to watch Monday Night football on his 48-inch television.

Earl, who graduated from Notre Dame Law School, met his beautiful wife on a blind date for the Saint Mary's All-Campus Formal. He was impressed with the way she handled herself in light of the behavior of peers (and how good she looked in a dress). Since then they have been dance partners as well as husband and wife.

Earl and Andrea raised their children so that one day they can come back to South Bend and visit their clones in the very same dorms in which they resided.

Tony, their son, spends his time on the computer trying to decide which sequel to a video game he should make. Super Mario Brothers 13 or Pac-Man: The New Adventure. No matter what he does, he will be successful. It seems to be in the blood.
Irish Eyes

The McCarthy family hails from a suburb right outside of Boston, Mass. Pat, head of the McCarthy clan used to be in the Irish Guard and is quite excited about his return to the “homeland.” Mom, Mary Kate, is the type of mother who knits matching hat, scarves and mittens, all stitched with the Notre Dame emblem for her children and their roommates. She is also a professional business person, who actually strives to have her own talk show. Look out Rosie O’Donnell.

At least twice a year, Pat and Mary Kate fly out for a football game and take everybody (kids and roommates) out to Macri’s or CJ’s. A point of interest, the McCarthy family throws great tailgaters, but you have to get there early, or Pat may charge a cover.

Pat and Mary Kate met nearly forty years ago, when young Patrick fell off a swing set at the wholesome young age of eight. Mary Kate rescued the ill-fated Patrick from the ground with a kiss on the knee. At the ripe old age of ten, she was an older and more mature woman. Since that fabled day, the couple has not spent more than two days apart, joined at the hip one might say.

Their daughter, Samantha, a promising young biologist, wants to one day save the world from what she calls “The Willies.” She is also looking to get herself out of a “self-imposed” hiatus from men.

Notre Dame?

The Johnsons come from the back bayous of Louisiana and have a very powerful hand in the “craw-daddy” industry. One might say a monopoly. The patriarch of the Johnson family, who goes by the name of Jack, is the son of a fish farmer and grew up in the murky swamps of Louisiana. He never heard of football, let alone Notre Dame, until his son got the acceptance letter three years ago. But he sure knows how to fish. His wife Marge, on the other hand, is a city girl from Frankfurt, La., a thriving metropolis of 3,000.

She met her beloved, Jack, at an alligator wrestling match. Jack was not the one in the leather. Marge was intoxicated by his bruiting dark looks and his ability to throw around a reptile. True love? I guess so, they’ve been together for the past twenty years. Happy Anniversary Mr. and Mrs. Johnson.

Their love child, Jack Jr., known as J.J. by his very close friends, aspires to be an awarding winning poet, and hopes to one day escape from the pitfalls of bayou life. Notre Dame seemed like the way out. To J.J., attending college in South Bend was like moving to New York City, but there was a foil in his plan. He longed for those Cajun “craw-daddies.” They just aren’t the same in the Midwest.
NBA

Clippers send slam dunk champ Heat

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES

If ever a deal was done, it was the one made by the Los Angeles Clippers and Miami Heat shortly before the NBA trading deadline.

The Notices

The Clippers sent Brett Barry, the 1996 slam dunk champ, to the Heat on Thursday in a trade for four prospects, including Charlie Smith and a 1998 No. 2 draft choice.

The teams played each other at the Arena last week for another 36 hours later, with the Heat winning 89-80. Neither Barry nor Austin, however, was listed.

Barry, who will be a free agent at the end of the season, told the Clippers he did not intend to re-

sign with them next summer. He was expected to be the third guard in Miami's rotation behind Tim Hardaway and Voshon Lenard.

Austin will also be a free agent at the end of the season, and it is extremely unlikely he would return to the Heat because of salary disputes.

Miami coach Pat Riley said the deal came about after former NBA great Hink Barkey, who would be sidelined for another 5-6 months with a knee injury, asked he be moved Monday night.

Barry left for Miami after hearing of the deal and was scheduled for a physical exam today.

"I felt extremely pleased with what we were able to get for Ike," Riley said. "He was a very, very important part of our team. We're going to really miss him, but we have a very young player who is exciting. He has great size, a player with tremendous abilities for us. We feel like he has a real hole in us.

Barry was averaging 13.7 points, 3.5 rebounds and 3.2 assists.

"Re-signing Brett is a priority," Riley said. "We looked at a number of scenarios. Had any-
one else has considered something better, he would have taken two or three, but we're going to do it.

"I feel very good with Brett in this deal. He's exactly what we needed. He can screen and he can shoot, he's got a lot of skills.

"Riley said of the 22-year-old Austin, a quality player and quality person who will help the Clips, a team with no point center.

"I know a lot of skills, but I never felt nor was I ever led to believe that we were anything more than a longshot in re-sign-

ing him, and I don't blame him," Riley said. "It's got to mean a lot to be a family and to take care of.

Because of salary cap rules, the Heat club offer Austin no more than the average NBA salary of $2.8 million --

for next year.

Austin will be commanding about twice what he becomes a free agent, and the Clippers were willing to pay.

The NBA have not been able to sign up for the game, and both players stayed in the fourth quarter.

In other NBA games, the Los Angeles Lakers defeated the Chicago Bulls 109-99, and the Clippers lost to the Spurs 86-82. The Bulls played the Utah Jazz, who have the last/great champion, and lost just 11 points in 13 for the game.

The Lakers won on a buzzer-beater by forward Alonzo Mourning. Murray was added 19 points and 10 rebounds for the Heat, who have missed two games to three as Rick Fox

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amount of talent here, but

didn't seem to do what I was doing.

AJ

Scottie Pippen was on the money.

Pippen shooed loose for three points in the second quarter before missing six minutes Thursday night and gave the Chicago Bulls an easy win Wednesday. He scored 22 points in an 87-86 romp over the Toronto Raptors.

The game at SkyDome started shortly after the NBA trading deadline had passed. Pippen has talked much of the season about wanting to change teams, but the only deal the Bulls made during the day was sending

ing Jason Calley to Golden State.

"There were some doubts. You never know what they're going to do," Michael Jordan said. "I have been surrounded by players who are not totally. They're going to do whatever they want anyway!" pippen

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In the end, the teams made a trade. The Heat sent backup center Jeff Malone to the Bulls for a deal that included Charlie Smith and a 1998 No. 2 draft choice.

None of those players suited up for the game, and both teams had just nine players in that game.

Scores

Pippen -- 28 points and P.J. Brown had a career-high 20 rebounds as the Miami Heat defeated the Los Angeles Clippers 89-80, and Dennis Rodman had 19 rebounds and 10 assists.

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Canseco starts spring training with Blue Jays

Associated Press

Jose Canseco got a quick wakeup on his first day with the Toronto Blue Jays. When he stepped to the plate Thursday, he saw a very familiar face.

"It was the first time facing live pitching and I've got to face Clemens," Canseco said. "I let Ed Sprague go first so Roger could work out the kinks on him."

Canseco and Clemens were teammates on the Boston Red Sox in 1995 and 1996. Now they're trying to turn around Toronto, which hasn't been above .500 since winning the World Series in 1992 and 1993.

"I hope this year I can stay away from the injuries," said Canseco, who has been disabled nine times in his career and averaged fewer than 96 games during the past five seasons.

Canseco homered off 1996 Cy Young Award winner Pat Hentgen during batting practice at Dunedin, Fla. He knows his home run and stolen base totals have been cut by the injuries.

"The last five or four years has hurt my career," he said. "I have had four hundred homers by now."

Canseco, whose career total is 351, "I'd like to achieve 30-30 this year, and if I'm healthy 40-40 is possible. Right now I want to play the game and he the player."

Associated Press

Boston's Naehring recovers from elbow injury

Associated Press

FORT MYERS, Fla. - The eight-inch scar running along Tim Naehring's elbow, a bright red reminder that his career may be over.

He couldn't brush his teeth, feed himself or shampoo with his right arm. He couldn't throw last June 23 at Toronto. He knew immediately something was wrong with his elbow.

It turned out to be a torn ligament and a torn capsule that holds the joint together, Dr. Arthur Pappas said. "The physician, said Thursday he knows of no other case like it.

Pappas performed surgery on July 30 and the rehabilitation seemed to go well. Naehring even played racquetball in November. But in January, there was a problem. His range of motion was restricted.

A cortisone shot didn't work, so about four weeks ago he had a procedure in which scar tissue inside the elbow was broken. That enabled him to bend the elbow again, Pappas said, but the tightness returned whenever he threw a ball or swung a bat. Now, Pappas said Naehring must regain that range of motion before he can take the next step.

"Will he play again? I expect he will," Pappas said, although he doesn't know when.

Marlins may lose two more

Associated Press

MELBOURNE, Fla. - The Florida Marlins lost four starting pitchers, two top relievers and the leading hitter from their World Series championship team.

The best of the bench may be the next to go. The Rehabilitation and John Eisenreich helped to give Florida perhaps the best depth in the major leagues last year. They were the garnish on the roster, but it's unclear whether the budget-conscious Marlins can afford even garnish anymore.

Eisenreich and Cangelosi arrived for spring training this week wondering whether the Marlins will trade them before the season starts. "We're pretty laid back and not worrying about what they're going to do," Cangelosi said Thursday. "But I hope they keep us both." That's doubtful. Eisenreich expects to be dealt away because he'll make $1.4 million this year, more than the Marlins want to pay for a backup outfielder-first baseman who turns 39 in April.

"Understand, I am an old man," he said with a laugh.

Cangelosi, 35 next month, has a better chance to stay because his salary is only $350,000. He would provide some much-needed world experience, particularly in center, where 25-year-old rookie Mark Kotsay and Todd Dunston will battle for the starting job.

"Cangelosi is still a question mark in this mix," manager Jim Leyland said. "If you're able to get a guy like Cangelosi, you're able to protect the young guy a little bit from throwing him to the wolves too much.

Another potential plus is that Cangelosi is a switch-hitter, while the two rookies and new left fielder Cliff Floyd bat left-handed.

"I have a feeling I'm going to stay, but you never know," Cangelosi said. "I think if I do stay, I'll play a lot more than last year."

A year ago Cangelosi hit just .178 as a pinch hitter but .296 in 31 starts. Eisenreich hit .289 with 28 doubles and 34 RBIs in 291 at-bats.

With an expansion season, both players still have considerable market value.
U.S. hockey team falls to meet expectations

Disappointing. This one word sums up the feelings of every member of the United States Olympic hockey team. In a week that brought us Gene Brelak's first Daytona 500 win, Herman Maier's recovery from a devastating crash to win two gold medals, and the U.S. women's hockey team winning the first gold in women's hockey, the fifth place finish of the men's hockey team was one of the most embarrassing moments in U.S. Olympic history. Here is a team made up of professional hockey players and the only team they could beat was Belarus. Let's assess the problems.

Rumors are swirling about this team. They spent too much time out having themselves a good time. But I believe it was the players who wanted to rough it in the Olympic village unlike their basketball Dream Teamers who lived lavishly. The whole idea of living in the Olympic village was to keep priorities focused on their mission — winning the gold. Instead they took advantage of their accommodations and spent the night visiting places like the Pink Elephant (a karoke bar in the heart of Nagano).

To make matters worse, after losing on Tuesday night, the U.S. team decided to destroy a local bar in the heart of Salt Lake City. The team's lackadaisical approach landed them a gold medal against the Czech Republic in the medal round. This meant they would have to face one of the NHL's best goal-scorers and the MVP of the league last year.

Ron Wilson, the coach, was not impressed with this strategy. He figured by the time the medal round rolled around, Team USA would hit their groove and play in the gold medal game. The team's lackadaisical approach landed them a game against the Czech Republic in the medal round. This meant they would have to face one of the NHL's best goal-scorers and the MVP of the league last year.

Ron Wilson also must be blamed for this embarrassment. He didn't make the adjustments that needed to be made until the medal round. Overall, the players didn't play up to expectations. With six 50-goals scorers, the team should score more than nine goals. They had open nets and they couldn't put the puck in the goal.

The United States men's performance was a disgrace to the loyal hockey fans who expected them to win more than one game. Hopefully when the games go to Salt Lake City in 2002, Team USA will be more focused and have their priorities straight.

Irish set goals to win Big East

By BETSY BAKER

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"What happened last year is that we had the strongest hitting lineup we've ever had, but one of our best pitchers got injured and we didn't have a strong enough pitching staff to take us as far as we had gone in the past," Miller explained.

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Nichols, one of the team's two senior captains, will be looking to fill in the hole left by the graduation of all-American Joy Battlesby, and with her 21-12 career record and 18 saves, she appears to be on the right track. Nichols only needs two more saves to become the NCAA all-time saves leader, a record currently owned by Cal Poly Pomona's Lori Thompson with 197. This weekend she is joined by junior Angela Breslo and freshmen Jennifer Sharron and Melanie Alkire who are expected to come in and make an immediate impact.

The biggest question for the Irish remains filling in the gaps left by the five graduated starters, three of whom started all four years at Notre Dame.

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Returning seniors will lead Irish lacrosse team

By TOM STUDEBAKER
and DAN LUZIETTI

Aiming for the title, the Notre Dame men's lacrosse team is back. Expectations are high for the Irish, with seven returning starters and a solid recruiting class. This year's squad is comprised of quality depth and experience which could make the difference for Notre Dame over the course of the season.

Headlining the list of Irish returnees are four players who are arguably as good as anybody in the country at their positions — seniors Jimmy Keenan (midfield), Todd Rassas (defense), and Alex Cade (goalie), along with junior Chris Dusseau at attack.

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On the Notre Dame attack, Dusseau and senior Ned Webster promise to be a potent scoring combination. Dusseau has led the team in scoring in the past two years for a total of 58 goals and seven assists. The Irish will count on them to continue this success as they head into the 1998 season.

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Irish head south to face Hurricanes

By ALLISON KRILLA
Sports Writer

Weather forecasts in Miami call for strong storms this weekend, as the Notre Dame baseball team heads south to fight through a three-game series with the No. 7 Hurricanes.

The Irish (2-3) are coming off a two-game stint in New Orleans where they lost an 11-inning thriller to UNO and earned a come-from-behind victory against Loyola (La.).

Junior righty Alex Shilliday, who settled for a no-decision after throwing seven innings against UNO, is slated to start Friday's game. Shilliday and the rest of the Irish pitching staff face a formidable Canes lineup "with a heart of the order that's probably the best in the country," according to Notre Dame head coach Paul Mainieri.

Senior rightfielder Jason Burrell (.378, seven HR, three 2B, 17 RBI) bats third for the Hurricanes, followed by junior third baseman Pat Burrell, the No. 1 professional prospect in college baseball, and junior first baseman Aubrey Huff (.361, three HR, three 2B, eight HB) in the fifth spot. In 1996, Burrell became the first freshman to lead the nation in hitting (.484) and is already on a career pace this year, batting .444 with seven homers, three doubles, 18 RBI and seven walks.

"It will be an interesting match-up," said Mainieri. "With our pitching against their hitting, hitting is our strength, and hitting is theirs. We don't expect to shut them down completely, but to work hard against their No. 1, 2, 6, 7, 8, and 9 batters, so the heart of the order comes to bat with no one on base."

Defensively, the Irish have struggled with clutch hitting, leaving 12 men on base in the loss to UNO.

"Leaving men on base is a concern," said Mainieri. "But we've worked hard at hitting in the clutch during practice. I think we can attribute the way we've been hitting lately to the fact that it's still early in the season. We traditional­ly start off swinging the bats slowly, until we play on a more regular basis."

"I was happy with the fact that we hit well enough last weekend to get the opportu­nity to put that many guys on base."

Mainieri will rely on Brant Ust and Jeff Wagner to carry the bulk of the offensive load, although the key to beating Miami will be "multiple run innings," said Mainieri commented.

Ust and Wagner are hitting a combined .375 with 10 RBI, but the entire Irish starting lineup has contributed with at least one RBI apiece.

The Hurricanes present a tough task for the Irish, but the weekend series will not be a benchmark for the team.

"I don't think it's fair to say that the way we play this weekend is a true test of where we are right now," said Mainieri. "The University of Miami is one of the hardest places in the country to visit and win. No matter what happens, we're just going to go out and play hard."

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we have to do, so it's just a matter of executing. If we play our game, well be fine."

After a six-game slump in which he shot just 39 percent, Garrity seems to have finally regained his old form. The all­American candidate scored a game-high 31 points in last Tuesday's 88-79 loss to Connecticut as the Irish played what may have been their best all-around game of the season.

"It was good to see Pat come out and have a big game for us," said MacLeod. "He has struggled a bit over the last few games, but he seems to have shot his way out of it."

The biggest surprise against the Huskies was the play of Garrity's supporting cast. Center Phil Hickey chipped in 16 points, shooting guard Antoni Wyche added 13, and point guard Martin Inglesby contributed nine points and six assists.

If the group matches that effort on Sunday, they should up their mark to 13-11 (7-9 in the Big East) and improve their chances of receiving an NIT bid. With just three games left in the regular season, the thin margin for error is beginning to weigh on the psyche of MacLeod's squad.

"We're not panicking or any­thing like that," said Inglesby. "But we know that we need to start to put things together so we can start the post-season on a high note."

But first things first, the Irish must pull themselves out of the rut.
**Sports Writer**

By SHANNON RYAN

Boilermakers will also experi­

ience this weekend.

Derek Myers, a South Bend native and one-time prodigy of

Irish coach Bob Bayliss, will be making a homecoming

Saturday at 2 p.m. when he attempts to haul Purdue over

Notre Dame.

"I used to give lessons to [Myers] until he was 14," Bayliss recalled. "He's always been a great player."

The Irish are hoping that after following two consecu­

tive losses with two straight wins, Bayliss's coaching will not pay off for Myers as much as it has for them.

In the past, Myers has appeared well-taught. Playing for the Irish to beat the Boilermakers, the doubles will need to continue to play like last weekend.

After going 0-3, the Irish pairs won two straight last weekend with a strong showing from Ryan Sachire and Matt Horsey. Danny Rothschild and Vijay Freeman have also become a deadly combination, while Ryan Paterson and Jakub Pietrowski have recently unskotted their early tangles.

Rothschild's consistency and Patterson's decisive determination will also be key for the 23rd-ranked Irish to win a third straight.

However, Sachire will have to play the role of the smoking gun once again. Last week, the sophomore boasted a win over the No. 3 player in the nation.

For the Irish, one of the traveling student-athletes will have to knock off the No. 17 player in the country.

"I'm guardedly optimistic," Bayliss said. "They're a lot better than [their ranking]."

"Everyone looks fine and we're hungry," Bayliss said. "We've seen some good teams so far and know what the level of play is. We'll just have to meet that."

Boilermakers line-up will challenge Irish

By SHANNON RYAN

Playing at home has its advantages. Unfortunately for the Irish, one of the traveling Boilermakers will also experi­

ence a kind of home court advantage: at the Eck Pavilion.

Despite the recent success of the Blue and Gold, the team must be careful not to overstep the bounds of self-assurance into over-confidence.

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The usually profitable Irish should not be shortchanged either. Both signs of the doubles finally clicking and the solid line-up, the Irish may be a better bet.

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His builtry serves will be essential to defeat Purdue's Jimmy Gordon. Gordon, last year's Regional Rolex champi­

on, pulled out a win over Florida's top man and 10th­

ranked national competitor earlier in the season.

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ence a kind of home court advantage: at the Eck Pavilion.
The Notre Dame track and field team will compete in its biggest team meet of the outdoor season this weekend — the Big East championships in Syracuse. They hope to bring home a first-ever title on the men’s side and improve on last year’s sixth-place finish for the women.

A Big East title for the men would indicate that Notre Dame track and field has risen to a new level of competition. Georgetown is favored to win but Connecticut, Villanova and Miami could also present challenges.

“We want to contend to be in at least the top two teams on the men’s side,” said head coach Joe Piane. “There are those people that think that Georgetown is unstoppable, but if we compete up to our capabilities, we have a legitimate shot at beating them.”

“On the women’s team, we would like to improve on last year’s sixth-place finish if we can, and that’s going to be difficult. It’s a great conference for track, especially for the women with Georgetown, Villanova, and Miami.

“The key to success will be being able to aggressively and step up to the next level of competition. A lot of kids are doubling up in order to contend for the title in both.

In order to contend for the title, the men will need all of their athletes to score well in the events they are expected to thrive in. That will come in part from help from other schools in hurting Georgetown in the 400-meter and 10,000-meter runs.

All-American Jason Rezun will be looking to claim his third straight Big East championship in the 1,500-meter run while junior Mike Brown will be returning from a hamstring injury in hopes of defending his title in the pole vault. Brown is ranked second in the Big East in his event, as is Marshua West in the long jump. Other men with strong shots at individual victories are senior captain Eric Payton in the 200-meter dash and junior Even Maley in the 55-meter dash, and All-American Danny Payton in the 500-meter run.

“The goal is to win the team championship. That’s what everyone’s got on their mind,” said Rezun. “Personally, I just want to beat the 10,000-meter record this year, but I’m always a big help to have all your team members behind you and cheering you on at this meet.”

Payton believes he will be able to run the 10,000 meters in the low 2:02s to come out victorious in the 500-meter run, with his personal record being 1:02.79 at the Meyo Invitational Feb. 7.

Cochran also wants to achieve his team goal of winning the Big East while doing whatever he can to help the team win in his events — the 55-meter dash, 400-meter dash, and 4 x 400-meter relay.

“On the guys’ side, we can be in the hunt for the team championship,” said field events coach Scott Wissor. “That means that the field event crew has got to be hitting on all cylinders, and if we can get out of the field events even with Georgetown or Connecticut, we’ll be in good shape.”

Sprints and hurdlers coach John Miller said, “My goal for the meet is for our athletes to go to the meet and reproduce their best times or improve on them. There’s nothing else you can ask for, and if they can do that, they’ll be successful. I can’t control what the other 12 schools do. I just try to focus on what we’re doing and make sure our group is prepared to run.”

Among the women, top competitors for individual titles should be Nadia Schmidt in the 500-meter run, Berit Junker in the 400-meter run, Jenny Engelhardt in the high jump, and Joanna Decker in the 3,000 and 5,000-meter runs. Other key events will be the 4 x 800-meter relay and the distance medley relay.

“Hopefully,” said Schmidt, “I can make the final in the 500, and run my best time of the year, as well as score as many points as I can for the team.”
Bengal Bouts captains motivate fellow competitors

By DAN LUZIETTI
Sports Writer

Bengal Bouts has been a long-standing tradition on the Notre Dame campus since 1931. One of the reasons for its great success has been the strong student support of both the tournament's participants and viewers. In its 57 years of existence, it has relied heavily on the student officers. In its 57 years of existence, it has relied heavily on the student officers.

This year's captains include seniors Fred Kelly, Lucus Molina, Ryan Rans and Sean Sharpe and juniors Brian Gaffney, Mike LaDuke, and Tommy Will. The coaches rely on the captains, and expect a lot from them.

"Captains drive the whole program. It's really the boxer's club, and who better to lead than a fellow student," explained Terry Johnson, a Bengal Bouts coach. "Not only are they in charge of trying to get themselves in shape and win the tournament, they are responsible to promote ticket sales, help with advertisement sales, and keeping everybody else motivated. It is definitely a great pleasure to work with these guys and they mean a lot to the program."

Each captain brings his unique talents to help instruct and motivate over 100 members of the Bengal Bouts this year. Sharpe always rises to meet this challenge, but he also recognizes that the Bengal Bouts give him a unique opportunity.

"We help guide the new guys and give them instruction along the way," said Sharpe. "This can be a difficult task, but Notre Dame is the only place where boxing is a team sport. We help each other as much as we can, in hopes of improving each other's skills along with our individual ones."

The boxers have six weeks to refine their skills and they are always looking to the captains for motivation. The captains, along with the coaches, teach the newcomers the techniques of boxing while continually training with the veterans. The captains' role as coaches is very important to a program with so many participants and Molina recognizes his responsibility.

"Personally, I love to coach," he said. "I have been around boxing since I was 16, and I think I have more to offer as a coach than I do as a boxer. This opportunity with Bengal Bouts brings me a lot of fulfillment."

Many of the other captains learn a lot from boxing as well. Boxing demands dedication and hard work to maintain top physical condition. Kelly also recognizes what the sport has done for him.

"Boxing is a great confidence builder," explained Kelly. "It gives you a mental toughness that you'll never lose."

The boxers learn a lot from their experience, but the most important part of their participation is the good they bring to others. Bengal Bouts raise money for the Holy Cross Mission working in Bangladesh.

In the past, the tournament raised $20,000 through its ticket sales and advertisement sales. This year's captains have taken the challenge of doubling that to earn $40,000.

"We support a school, a mission and a church, and the money we raise goes a long way," said Rans. "We have had an opportunity to hear some of the Holy Cross priests who have been to the missions, and it always makes us feel good to know we are doing something so special. You're having a good time here, but also helping so many over there."

The captains have put in a lot of time, and their efforts culminate in next week's tournament. The students appreciate these efforts and so do their fellow boxers.

"The captains are really important to the program," said Steve Locher, a sophomore Bengal Boxer. "They do a lot of work both behind the scenes with the business side, and teaching the younger fighters the proper techniques for the tournament. They drive the whole program. They put in so many hours of work, and without them, the program wouldn't run as smoothly as it does."
**Olympic Updates**

**U.S. hockey team causes $1000 damage**

Associated Press

NAGANO, Japan (AP) — Some U.S. hockey players trashed their room in the Olympic Village after being knocked out of the Nagano Games, and the NHL apologized and said it was investigating — and was responsible for the damage, estimated at $1,000.

Chairs were broken, two apartments were damaged by fire extinguishers, and one extinguisher was thrown from the fifth floor into a courtyard during the incident, which occurred about 4 a.m. Thursday said Paul George, head of the U.S. delegation in the Olympic Village.

U.S. hockey officials apologized to the U.S. Olympic Committee for the incident and offered to pay for the damage. "That can't happen again," said George. "We're just out of the Olympics." And now the Americans are out of the gold medals.

**SKIING**

**Compagnoni wins third gold**

The Associated Press

SHIGA KOGEN, Japan — Deborah Compagnoni again proved she is better than the rest of the pack. She took a 1.8-second lead in the women's slalom yesterday to become the first Alpine skier to win three Olympic gold medals.

The Italian ran clean and smooth as a clock throughout both runs. The second run was moved up 45 minutes because of the deteriorating weather.

"The course is very difficult and now with the rain it's impossible," said Herwig Demeschar, the U.S. women's coach.

"The only woman who can ski this course is Compagnoni." Seizering's bronze gave Germany six of the 15 medals in the women's Alpine events at Nagano. The Austrians have been even more dominant in the men's races, taking seven of the 12 medals so far, with the slalom remaining Saturday (Friday night EST). Compagnoni, who has overcome a series of physical problems that threatened her career that include surgery on both knees, a broken shinbone and intestinal surgery, finished the first run with a lead of 24 seconds over France's Sophie Lefranc. Compagnoni also held a big lead after the first run of the slalom a day earlier, only to lose the gold to Germany's Hilde Gerg by six-hundredths of a second.

But Compagnoni's speciality is the giant slalom, in which she is two-time defending world champion. It's the event in which she won nine straight World Cup races, a streak that ended just last month.

"It's a very difficult and technical course, the kind of course I like most," said Compagnoni of the Olympic giant slalom. "It is a course where you must use your brains in addition to your legs." The soft-spoken Compagnoni is comfortable in the spotlight, but has become the target of Italian paparazzi and headline writers because of her friendship with Alessandro Benetton, heir to the clothing company fortune.

A small band of Italian fans chanted "Deb-Deb-Deb" at the finish line. After wrapping up her victory and seeing her time, Compagnoni turned to the crowd and raised her arms in triumph.

"This gold is very important to me because it came after yesterday's silver medal, which was a great achievement but disappointing to me because I came so close to the gold," she said. Lefranc: Finished 11th, behind Germany's Martina Ertl. Andrine Flemmen of Norway, third fastest on the first run, finished 10th.

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**Skiing**

**Tomba crashes in giant slalom**

The Associated Press

He felt better 24 hours after the crash, said Allina Tomba, his sister and spokesperson. He inspected the slalom course and likely will race in the event on Saturday (Friday night EST), she said. However, he did not rule himself training.

"Tomba, primacing with pain, was cautious Thursday about his prospects.

"Tombas is the race that presents him with his best chance for a medal. His fans will hope for a repeat of his heroics on the final day of the Lillehammer Games in 1994. In 12th place after the first run of the slalom, the Italian felt much luck," he said. "I've always failed here."
**YOUR HOROSCOPE**

Aries: The world must have slowed down while you were asleep. Days go by with each passing hour. Others are unable to comprehend how you can move so quickly, or why you would want to.

Taurus: Your patience is legendary today. You get your way by simply waiting for events to agree with you. Because you haven’t wasted energy going the wrong way, you end up ahead by not even moving.

Gemini: A friendly competition takes on an edge today. A territorial dispute lives at the root of a seemingly harmless disagreement. You may need to mobilize your forces to defend what is rightfully yours.

Cancer: Business and pleasure tug-of-war with your day. Whatever you do is just not enough. Keep your impatience on a short leash and your mind wide open.

Leo: A routine is a good thing to have, but yours will require some flexibility today. Confusion reigns when a process becomes the end instead of the means. Be open to others if you want your day to run smoothly.

Virgo: Creative collaboration pays off when others finally get what you have been saying. Romance twinkles in the eyes of someone who really notices you. The world feels your presence today.

Libra: Sentiment is no substitute for hard facts in making today’s decisions. Your favorite way of doing things may be impractical at this point. Small, overnight solutions will result in dire consequences.

Scorpio: It will be obvious to everyone that you have your eyes on the prize. Repeating a story too many times is likely to bore others. After a point, talking is no longer an acceptable substitute for doing.

Sagittarius: Your light heart and free spirit are weighed down by material concerns today. Money and possessions take up too much of your brain capacity. It may be time to redefine your values.

Capricorn: Dress for success today, because it may well happen. Upward mobility is not a myth to those who have earned it. Changes made at this time are likely to be permanent.

Aquarius: You feel boxed in today, stuck in a room of locked doors. Someone is preventing you from completing a task that was supposed to be easy. The current set of restrictions is only temporary, however.

Pisces: Reality is not all that far from your imagination today. Join forces with other dreamers to make things come alive. This is a day when the friend of a friend comes in very handy.

**MEN ABOUT CAMPUS**

DAN SULLIVAN

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**CROSSWORD**

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**Hockey**

The Notre Dame hockey team hopes to stem their momentum for the playoffs.

By CHARLEY GATES

**Women's Basketball**

Ruth Riley (00) is ranked second in blocked shots.

**Basketball**

UConn poses a difficult test for the Fighting Irish.

By BILL HART

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Hockey versus Miami

**Men's Basketball**

Irish hope to break our rut

By MIKE DAY

It's a dangerous rut for a team to fall into. Playing to the level of one's competition rarely leads to success.

Just ask the Notre Dame basketball team. Over the last few weeks, the Irish have gone head-to-head with both the best and the worst the Big East conference has to offer. And for the most part, they have held their own.

The trouble is, no matter who the opponent is, the Irish seem to be one step behind. Whether it's No. 6 Connecticut or league doormat Rutgers, the outcome has been decided in the game's final minutes. Unfortunately, the Irish have ended up on the losing end.

"We've played the good teams tough and have struggled against some of the teams we know we should beat," said point guard Martin Ingelsby. "We need to be more consistent and find a way to finish a step ahead instead of a step behind."

This Sunday at the Joyce Center the Irish will encounter another one of the "good" teams in the Big East — the Miami Hurricanes. Last Saturday, the Irish matched the Hurricanes stride for stride before losing 66-57. Notre Dame committed an eye-popping 23 turnovers and connected on just 38 percent of its shots from the field. To make things worse, the Hurricanes played without its leader Johnny Hensley, who was suspended for five games.

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Although the Hurricanes own an impressive 17-6 record, they have struggled somewhat after starting the season 12-1. Thus, despite last Saturday's outcome, the Irish are confident they can turn things around this weekend.

"It's the time of year when we've got to come together and avoid making mistakes," said senior forward Pat Garrity. "We know what we need to do, but we've got to be more consistent."