Notre Dame students report on CDF conference

By MICHELLE BARTON
News Writer

In an effort to share ideas and provide a forum for discussion on problems facing today’s children, six Notre Dame students who attended the Children’s Defense Fund (CDF) conference in Los Angeles held a forum in Hesburgh Library lounge last night.

The CDF is a non-profit organization which attempts to aid all children and focuses on helping poor, minority and disabled youth. The primary slogan of the CDF is “Leave no Child Behind.”

At the national conference, the students attended a series of workshops on topics ranging from juvenile and justice issues to child care. Poet Maya Angelou opened the conference, which was attended by approximately 3,000 students and community representatives.

The purpose of the forum was to explain projects, organizations and ideas which are being developed in other areas of the nation in hopes of spurring implementation of local programs. Each Notre Dame student spoke on the issues she focused on while at the conference.

Senior Bridget Carr spoke about juvenile and justice issues. She believes that current policies, which allow runaways and truants to be held in adult prisons, “make a profound statement on us as a nation and how we value our children.”

She opposes current senate legislation proposing placement of juveniles in adult jails. Carr believes this will result in more children in adult jails, higher rates of rape, sexual abuse and suicide of jailed youths. At the same time, she thinks this will do nothing to prevent children from committing crimes. Carr stressed that the media perpetuates the myths that juvenile crime is increasing and that youths are guilty of many murders. Addressing violence and violence.

“Amazing Grace”


ND celebrates freedom of African nations

By JESSICA LOGAN
News Writer

People around the world celebrated African Freedom Day on April 15, and Notre Dame will join the celebration with several events this weekend.

“The theme of this year’s African Freedom Day is ‘From Political to Economic Independence: Africa Charting Her Own Destiny,’ which is the main concern of Africa in the 1990s,” said Christopher Kougianouzolde, founder and president of the Pan-African Cultural Center.

Events celebrating the continued economic and political advancement of the African nations will begin this afternoon with a presentation by three guest speakers: Fassassi Yacoubou; Mohamed Aly Thiam; and Dieudonne Antoine Ganga, ambassadors to Benin, the Republic of Guinea, and the Republic of Congo, respectively.

On Saturday at 7 p.m. in Stepan Center, keynote speaker Omotayo Ojaiyin, an expert in international economic relations, will elaborate on this year’s theme.

The weekend events will conclude with a unique performance featuring music and dance from African nations.

ND environmental groups prepare for Earth Day

By SARAH J. HILTZ
Associate News Editor

Notre Dame environmental groups will be celebrating Earth Day two days early this year with tomorrow’s GreenFest at Fieldhouse Mall.

The festival, sponsored by Recyclin’ Irish, will feature tying flowers, planting perennials by the Skateables and Hotel Pradl, a presentation about environmental ethics, a Native American dance and display by area environmental groups. Reusable Grab ‘n Go bags and mugs will be on sale during the event.

Recyclin’ Irish co-president Gretchen Hasselbring explained the motivations behind the events.

“The main point of the week is caretaking and stewardship of the earth, in keeping with the Catholic tradition,” she said.

“There is some Amish and Native American influence as well,” continued Hasselbring, referring to two cultures generally known for conscientious environmental policies.

Meno-ha, a Menominee-Amish center in Goshen, will offer a display presenting aspects of their lifestyle that help to preserve the earth. This exhibit may include the presence of a former member of the Amish community, who would answer any questions relating to environmental issues or the Amish lifestyle.

A Native American dancer will perform an ethnic dance, followed by a short talk about the environmentally sound practices of her culture.

One of the issues which the events will address in the recent decision to reroute Juday Creek, which runs near the golf course, in order to accommodate the new development.

“There have been a lot of environmental people involved to make sure the fish can still spawn. There will be a display showing pictures of the creek and how they’re moving it,” said Mary Beth Steiner, a member of Recyclin’ Irish who will also be in charge of Grab ‘n Go bag and mug sales.

“I guess this is the second time the creek is being rerouted and by the time it’s done, it will be closer to where it originally was,” Steiner explained.

Members of Recyclin’ Irish anticipate that those who attend the day’s festivities will consider the day fun and well-spent.

“I think it will be fun because they’re pulling together a lot of different aspects of environmentalism, from the creek to the lifestyle of Native Americans to flower planting. It’s all encompassing,” said Steiner.
Outside the Dome

Tired Minnesota students call an end to hunger strike

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. Hunger strikers conveniently ended their eight-day protest Wednesday in time for a Northrop Mall luncheon held by the YMCA.

While none of the strikers accepted the sandwiches and soda, they announced an end to their fast at a campus rally attended by more than 100 people.

"We're calling an end to the strike to maintain our mental strength to pursue our educations," said Chinese student Wm. Num Yaginawaca in the稠屋 Ridgeay.

Protesters said they stopped the fast to get their strength back so they could be better able to negotiate with administrators for a full-time professor in the Chinese program.

During their eight-day fast some protesters shed up to 13 pounds and noticed a loss of concentration and fatigue.

"Without strength you can't organize a thing like this. Our wits are all based at a state where we can't even think right. In the facts," said sophomore Caleb Proctor, whose brain was a bit cloudy.

Liberal Arts Dean Steven Rosenhouse said he is pleased the students decided to end their strike and will continue to welcome dialogue with the students.

Throughout their mostly peaceful demonstrations, protesters alleged four years of understaffing in the Chinese program, which now has two tenure-track professors and two temporary professors. Vice President, Rosenhouse approved a third tenure-track position for fall quarter.

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**WORLD NEWS BRIEFS**

**Paula Jones plans to appeal lawsuit dismissal**

**DALLAS**

Breaking her silence, a tearful Paula Jones said she will ask an appeals court to reverse a judge’s dismissal of her lawsuit and reinstate it against President Clinton to try her sexual harassment. “I believe what Mr. Clinton did to me was wrong and the laws protect women who are subjected to that kind of abusive power,” Mrs. Jones said, her husband at her side. Her decision to appeal a federal judge’s decision to throw out her lawsuit against the president sets the stage for a lengthy extension of her legal battle over an alleged hotel room advance in 1991.

**Militant Palestinians pledge more suicide bombs**

**DAMASCUS, Syria**

Suicide bombs will continue to explode in Israel no matter what the Palestinian Authority or Israel do to stop them, a militant Palestinian leader said Thursday. There will be new suicide attacks and they will not stop - no matter how much Israel and the Palestinian self-rule authority try, Abu Shamsi, a Popular Front leader, told The Associated Press in an interview on the 33rd anniversary of the founding of the Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine-General Command. Shams said the future belonged to the Arabs. The Popular Front, he said, will be eliminated from the earth because the United States and Europe will abandon Israel and not a family will find its interests lie with us, when we are strong. He was discussing Israel’s upcoming celebration of its 50th anniversary. "History cannot be measured by two years or 10 years. The future will be for this nation."

**New plan emerges for Indonesian bank recovery**

**NEW YORK**

Moving closer toward resolving a major obstacle to economic recovery in Indonesia, bankers and government officials said Thursday they have made progress on easing repayment terms for Indonesian businesses owing nearly $50 billion to foreign lenders. In a joint statement issued after two days of talks, negotiators said they have formed subcommittees to hammer out details of a debt repayment plan. The smaller groups will begin meeting immediately, and the full committee will reconvene for more talks next month. The meetings were marked by "constructive and positive discussions" between Indonesia and its lenders, the officials said in the statement. The new repayment plan would be voluntary and require the consent in each case of the debtor and its creditors.

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A Tennessee Oilers’ football stadium, which is about one-third complete, also was damaged.

"Parts of the stadium were being tossed around like Popsicle sticks. I’ve never seen anything like it," said Rodney Stanford, who was at a nearby restaurant.

The twisters were part of a series of storms that hit Arkansas, Illinois, about 200 miles east of Nashville, and Tennessee late Wednesday and Thursday. More than two dozen people were injured in the earlier storms, and 65 railroad cars were knocked off the track near Flora, Ill.

At the Lomax family’s trailer home, the twister left little more than rows of cinder blocks that had supported the home, splintered wood and a child’s scooter on a pile of rubble.

The children were thrown from the trailer and were found near each other. Manil is a half-hour east of Jonesboro, where four students and a teacher were killed in a schoolyard ambush last month.

"If there was any area of our state that did not need to experience this, it would be northeast Arkansas," Gov. Mike Huckabee said.

In Tennessee, Dyer County Executive James McCord said seven houses were damaged in his county, but only one other person suffered serious injuries there. A woman and her daughter escaped injury.
Norris: One cannot escape daily routine

By JACKIE HENSLER
News Writer

Kathleen Norris, a poet and award-winning author, addressed the "dailyness" of life's routine, the role of motherhood, and the difficulty of overcoming the stereotypes of "woman's work" last evening for her 14th annual Madeleva Lecture in Spirituality at Saint Mary's College.


"Stories can express what is really going on and identify the deeper meaning," Norris said. "I am really here to tell stories, to discuss weaknesses and failures that have taught me more than any success can.

"Education is meant to free women from oppression, but our daily work of cooking, laundry and dusting is always with us. None of us can escape the... these menial jobs," she said.

Adding a hint of light humor, Norris continued with a discussion of God's plan in connecting the ordinary activities with the art of play and fun.

"As I approach a sink of dirty dishes, I lose sight of the fact that God is inviting me to play," she said. "Repetition is both ordinary and necessary."

Norris relayed a portion of Sylvia Plath's "The Bell Jar" as an example for the necessity of menial jobs.

"The main character, Esther, did not wash her hair for three weeks, claiming that it was an unnecessary, tireless job," Norris said.

"In light of spirituality, I realize that caring and washing hair is necessary for self-preservation. Lack of care reveals depression and indifference," she said.

Norris' award winning book, "Dakota," reveals the author's personal narrative regarding her family. It is a book about Norris' faith unfolding with the unveiling of ordinary stories.

In her latest book, "Amazing Grace," Norris continued her examination of a spiritual world rooted firmly in the chaos of daily life, which challenges people's fears of difficult theological concepts.

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Fisher hosts Regatta tomorrow

By ANNE HOSINSKI
News Writer

Saint Mary's lake will be the location for this Saturday's 12th annual Fisher Regatta.

Race organizers expect fifteen boats from various residence halls to compete in the event which will feature both men's and women's races, as well as a possible club race if there is enough interest. The winner of each race will receive a pizza party for their dorm and free T-shirts for members of the boat crew.

The Regatta was started by Fisher Hall to "promote healthy interdorm competition and give everyone a chance to get out-side and celebrate the warm weather and the coming of summer," said Regatta Commissioner Steve Miller.

"The race itself is a homemade boat race and really is a great celebration of spring."

In addition to the race, there are several other activities planned for the Regatta.

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Memorial Service
in Celebration of the Life of
Dr. Erskine A. Peters

Wednesday
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ence prevention, Junior Marjorie Hill explained the program of "resolving conflict creatively." This program trains children and their teachers in mediation so that if a conflict does arise, someone can step in and work to resolve it in a peaceful way. The "aim of the program is not only to reduce violence but to increase care and civility," according to Hill.

One idea stressed throughout the evening was the need to fill children's time with productive activity. Senior Sarah Johnson pointed out the need for children to participate in after school activities.

"I don't think I can emphasize enough how important after school activities are...they help foster a child's sense of self," she said.

Johnson explained how consistent and constructive after school activities can combat the need for children to fill children's time with productive activity. "I was amazed at the spiritual overtones and foundation on which the CDF is established," said senior Andrea Ray, who attended a series of workshops on faith-based advocacy. In her presentation last night, Ray explained that one issue which many churches must deal with is establishing relationships with child care agencies run in the church. She suggested that churches need guidelines similar to those of government affiliated agencies in the church. Ray also said that churches need to increase care and resolve it in a peaceful way.

"I think this is consistent...not only to reduce violence but also to connect with that tradition," explained Kougniazonde.

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dance from Africa, the Caribbean, and the Americas. The history of African Freedom Day dates back to 1957 when Ghana, led by Kwame Nkrumah, gained its independence from Great Britain after a lengthy struggle to obtain political freedom. One year later, Ghana and seven other newly recognized African nations met to discuss how they could collaborate as independent countries. At this meeting, leaders declared April 15 African Freedom Day, a day to commemorate the successful efforts of African nations to gain political autonomy.

"African Freedom Day is in a way of reflecting on past achievement, but more importantly on tasks which lie ahead in the struggle for building a political unity," explained Kougniazonde.

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Holocaust art exhibit to open

By ERICA THESING
News Writer

Having already explored literature and film, the Notre Dame Holocaust Project will turn its attention this weekend to the role of art in Holocaust studies. On Sunday, five musicians will present the Holocaust Memorial Chamber Music Concert, followed by the opening of a photography exhibit by Jeffrey Wolin entitled "Written in Memory: Portraits of the Holocaust." The concert will feature music written in concentration camp that was only recently rediscovered. The composer, Viktor Ullmann, wrote more than 20 pieces during his time in the Theresienstadt camp. Ullmann wrote his String Quartet Number Three, which will be performed at the concert, one year before being sent to Auschwitz, where he died in the gas chamber on October 17, 1944.

Ullmann's legacy of musical and literary works document cultural life in Theresienstadt, according to associate music professor Carolyn Plummer, who will play the first violin in Sunday's concert. Following the concert, the Snite will officially open the Wolin photography exhibit. Wolin, currently a professor at Indiana University, began photographing Holocaust survivors in 1988. Before taking the still photographs, Wolin videotaped each survivor telling his or her story of life during the Holocaust. He later chose verbatim portions from their tale and wrote the words directly on the photograph.

This unique method helps personalize the event, according to Chuck Loving, associate director of the Snite Museum. "He's giving the individuals who survived the Holocaust their own voice," Loving said. "He becomes a vehicle or a tool for the individual to express themselves." The Snite exhibit, which will open through May 10, features 12 of these photographs. Loving thinks that it is important to see these perspectives.

"You get the point of view of 12 different people who shared a common experience. I think that makes it real," he said. "There are some people who assert that the Holocaust never happened. What's even more frightening is that there are children who are not learning about it in school. The fear and the danger that (people think) it never happened makes it possible to happen again." The concert will begin at 2:30 p.m. Sunday in the Annenberg Auditorium at the Snite and will be followed at 3:45 p.m. by the official opening of the photo exhibit.

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Poorman: Sexual love requires full commitment

By P. COLLEEN NUGENT
Sainr Mary's News Editor

Contemporary perspectives on the role of sexual intercourse in relationships were the main focus of a lecture by Father Mark Poorman, associate professor of theology, at St. Mary's Thursday night. The lecture, "Sexual love and marriage," addressed was love, which depending on that of the individual, becomes a personal choice.

The second perspective Poorman presented was in the range of what most individuals can customize themselves with as the "moral ballpark area." From a mutual consent point of view, abstinence becomes a personal choice. "It is a common position in our culture to have mutual consent in any relationship," Poorman stated. "We must keep in mind that it is very important to make sure the other person is also signing on in agreement."

Mutual consent is and has to be the bottom line of any relationship, according to Poorman. When two individuals enter into any relationship, it is important to stress the importance of communication. Antioch College, located in Ohio, has formed a policy that suggests students ask for the other's permission step by step during a romantic encounter. The school hopes that students will learn that cases of rape and instances where students are taken advantage of can be eliminated through this policy. The major argument against this perspective, according to Poorman, is that human dignity then enters into the picture and that sex should not be captured by contracts.

The third perspective he addressed was love, which consists of mutual affection, sharing of the self, openness, and emotion, he said, all of which are necessary for intimacy to occur. "It is right to have sex with someone you are friends with, or should it be viewed on a deeper level?" asked Poorman. "When you are in love, you need to make sure that that is the situation. Love involves commitment, a future, and a goal of making children with the other individual."

Attraction and romance are wonderful things to possess, he explained, but he also encouraged the students to make sure that the one they truly love is the individual with whom permanence is an intended goal. The final aspect Poorman discussed was marriage. According to Catholic teaching, it is only acceptable for married individuals to have intercourse. Noting that in modern society, love and marriage do not always go hand in hand, Poorman acknowledged that it is sometimes hard to say that marriage is the ultimate bond holding two individuals together.

"Marriage is the bottom line in the Roman Catholic teaching," Poorman said. "It is a closed question on what kind of love needs to be present in a relationship. Having public witnesses and raising children have been major components for marriage."

The core of Catholic teaching is that of the future and fact of commitments, he urged. "Marriage is a fruitful commitment, and with love being a very difficult concept to understand, it helps to have a background of a few broken relationships to fully understand what it means to love another individual," Poorman said. "We need to be careful when saying 'I love you' to another, because one day you may find that statement to not be true."

The four pillars of the Catholic Church are hetero-sexual, procreative, permanent and monogamous relationships, Poorman said. "Love is a growing process, and to love someone and to be in love are two completely different things," Poorman stated. "Through his love, God offers us life, and through his love, males and females are able to come together and unite in the process of love," the lecturer concluded.

Poorman, a former rector of Dillon Hall, is currently the chaplain-in-residence at Keough Hall. He regularly gives lectures on Christian ethics.

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Computer contest occurs Sunday

By MATTHEW LOUGHRAN

Notre Dame's computer programming contest will take place on Sunday from noon until 3 p.m. in 177 Fitzpatrick Hall of Engineering. Organizers plan for the competition to include 10 to 15 teams of up to two students each. The teams will work on seven problems developed by organizers of the project.

"Basically it consists of six or seven problems in (the computer languages) C or C++," said senior Mike Gilliope, one of the students involved in planning the contest. "The team that solves the most problems will win, and in the event of a tie, it will be left up to who solves them in the shortest amount of time."

Winning students will receive $500 as the first prize. Second and third places will be awarded $50 and $25 respectively. Free food and drink will be offered to participants after the contest.

Earlier this year, Notre Dame hosted a national computer programming contest, in which Gilliope participated. "This weekend's contest is only local," he said. "It is a way of getting people to practice."

"The problems will be basic computer science problems," he added. "They are things that you would come across in a basic study of computer science, just in a fast- paced, timed environment. They are not terribly difficult, but they will take the entire time."

Anyone interested in participating can contact Gilliope by e-mail at mgillisp@darwin.cc.nd.edu.

SMC nursing students win honors

Special to The Observer

Leigh Skiles, Audrey Miller, Lori Noff, Kathryn Newton, Margaret Couturier, Samantha Sheets and Jennifer Gronzek

Sigma Theta Tau recognizes outstanding scholarship and leadership in nursing and membership is selectively based on both academic achievement and professional leadership potential.
Administration Allows Drinking But No Space

Yes, we have Notre Dame Football, we have the Golden Dome, and we have the Notre Dame family. Ten years from now with a big fat ring and an even bigger ooh, may check we will all smile when we think of our Alma Mater.

But don't get me wrong, and don't inter-
pret this an "immature whim," but do you ever envy your friends at other schools? Do you ever get tired looking ten years into the future imagining life after Notre Dame? Do you ever get off the bowling alley, the dorm, and turn on the TV, and there is Saint Mary's forest preserve, and Chicago.

We have Saint Mary's forest preserve and colonists at the rocky Rocky Mountains. We have St. Joe's swamp, and San Antonio, and the whole of the Pacific Ocean. We have grape, and the Scottish Highlands, and Bourbon Street. We have South Bend, and Northwestern has a town known as South Bend, it has an academic atmosphere, and it has an academic atmosphere.

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As it always has been, drinking is a inevitable consequence of our environment. We have all heard stories from the big university, we have all heard stories from the big university, and we have all heard stories from the big university.

Every story has three sides to it—yours, mine, and the facts.

—Foster Meharry Russell


**In Defense of SDH**

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Fact and Fiction: Football, Boys!

Football legends of the Rockne era

"I've got to go, Rock, it's all right. I'm not afraid. Some time, Rock, when the team is up against it, when things are wrong and the breaks are beating the boys — tell them to go in there with all they've got and win one just for the gipper, I don't know where I'll be then, Rock. But I'll know about it and I'll be happy."

George Gipp

Top: The Four Horsemen — Notre Dame backfielders Don Miller, Elmer Layden, Jim Crowley and Harry Stuhldreher — ride onward to victory during the 1924 Irish football season.

Above left: Knute Rockne led the Irish to three National Football Championships during his 13-year career as head coach of the Irish.

Above right: George Gipp, Notre Dame all-star player from 1916-1920, is shown drop-kicking a football. Gipp, aka The Gipper, died at the age of 25 after suffering a streptococcal throat infection.

Photos courtesy of Notre Dame Sports Information

By DAN CICHALSKI
Senior Scene Writer

As another school year winds down and we head off for home, for summer jobs or for real jobs, we're sure to run into someone impressed by where we attend college. And there will be the usual questions.

"Do you go to the football games?"
"What are they like?"
"Do you see Bob Davie?"
"What's the problem with that team?"

They'll probably mention "Rudy," too.

But we might also come across somebody with an admiration for Notre Dame that goes beyond the gridiron. There are a lot of people out there in America who are awed by tales of everything under the Dome, and what you say may raise you up in their eyes.

We approach the end of the year when freshmen will go home and be quizzed on Notre Dame legend and lore and seniors will go out into the working world to talk about the Irish around the water cooler. So here is a potpourri collection of mostly facts — and a few rumors — about our University's history.

TOM CRAYTON/THE OBSERVER

When it comes to Notre Dame, football is as good a place as any to start.
time found a permanent spot in the Notre Dame recreation room.

One of the men who introduced baseball to the campus in 1866 went on to become the most illustrious 19th-century major league pitcher, 'Cap' Anson played for and managed the National League Chicago Cubs from 1884-1897.

While Anson and his brother, Sturgis, were responsible for bringing baseball to Notre Dame, there are a few other notable players who barely butted up against Notre Dame's character in the national realm.

One of those players, who died on the main steps of the Administration Building in 1924, was Louis Sockalexis, a Penobscot Indian from Oldtown, Maine. The tall, dark-haired, handsome outfielder had to call in inspection with a golden dome atop the Basilica stands.

In 1929, a statue of Father Flanagan was moved to the Notre Dame's campus to commemorate his life.

Athletes certainly serve an important role in history and society, especially at Notre Dame.
Despite their recent slump, the Belles are still optimistic about their season. The team faced another major test against Depauw last Thursday. The Belles put a strong fight up against Depauw, but were unable to pull out a victory. 6-0, 6-2.

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### BASEBALL

**Streaking Irish have Pitt next on the hit list**

By ALLISON KRILLA
Associate Sports Editor

In its last 19 games, the Notre Dame baseball team has collected 34 home runs. Just 37 games into the season, the team has 52 four-baggers, only 14 shy of last season's total in 60 games.

With power numbers like that, the Irish are hoping to flex their muscles in a larger venue this weekend: Three Rivers Stadium, home of Major League Baseball's Pittsburgh Pirates.

"(Playing at Three Rivers) is going to be a big thrill for us," said sophomore Jeff Felker. "We've been looking forward to it; it's one of the highlights on our schedule. Plus, it's better than playing at their home field."

Notre Dame (8-0 Big East) travels east for a three-game series with Pittsburgh (2-12 Big East), riding a seven-game win streak.

"We just try to go out there and play, and not talk about the streak," said Felker. "There's an unwritten rule in baseball that you don't talk about things like [streaks]. But it's in the back of everyone's mind."

Wednesday night the Irish defeated interstate rival Purdue 7-1, as junior Allen Greene, and sophomores Jeff Felker and Brant Ust went yard.

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Righthanded starter Alex Shilliday (7-2) tossed two shutout innings, allowing three hits and one walk to earn the win in the planned rotation.

Brad Lidge, Mike Naumann, Tom O'Hagan and Aaron Holdman saw action out of the bullpen, while the Irish staff lowered its team ERA to 4.42, giving up two earned runs in the last 30 innings.

Heilman increased his shutout streak to 21 innings in his last 14 appearances with a scoreless ninth against the Panthers.

The Irish pitching staff faces a Panthers lineup paced by utility player Charlie Stafford, batting .314 on the year to lead the team. Junior shortstop Lou Melucci anchors the squad, having started every game for Pittsburgh and hitting .370 with team-leading three home runs. The speedy Melucci is also eight-for-10 in stolen bases.

As a team, the Panthers are hitting .251 with a mere 11 homers in 28 games. "You can't overlook any team in the Big East," said Felker. "Last year we split with them, so this time we're hoping for a little bit of revenge."

"We don't even peak yet. We've been playing well, but when everything falls into place, we'll be tough to beat when the tournament comes," he said.

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**TO REGISTER: CONTINUING GRADUATE STUDENTS SHOULD USE THEIR DART PIN FOR SUMMER 1998**
Tourney chance to up Irish

By GENE BRTALIK

This weekend five members of the Notre Dame golf team travel to Columbus, Ohio to play in what could be the most important tournament in their careers. Currently sitting as the 14th ranked team in the district, the Irish look to move up in the rankings to further their chance of obtaining an invitation to the NCAA Regional at the Oak Hills Country Club in San Antonio, Texas.

"It's do or die time for us this weekend," captain Bryan Weeks said. "We have to prove ourselves against a strong field in order to get that coveted NCAA invite."

The district committee will select either six teams or five teams and six individuals to represent the Midwest at the NCAA Central Regional. Selection is based on several criteria in addition to district ranking, including head-to-head results, stroke differential, win-loss record, strength of schedule, common opponents, stroke average, tournament place finishes, and spring results as compared to fall. This year Notre Dame has faced 39 of their 42 district opponents and own one head to head advantage over 29 of them.

Notre Dame has been one of the hottest teams in the district this season. A fifth place finish at the Golden Ocala Intercollegiate Invitational ignited the fire early in March. Two weeks later, the Irish traveled to Butler as the defending champions of the Butler Spring Invitational and blew away the competition with matching rounds of 292 and a 27-stroke victory. At the Johnny Owens Invitational the team once again played better than what was expected and came away with a victory. At the Johnny Owens Invitational, Todd Vernon won the Big East Championship last fall, Jeff Connell's runner-up finish last weekend with a school record 4 under 209 or junior transfer Willie Kent's two top five finishes the everyone on the team as helped. One way or the other. When the members of the team are struggling someone else is there to pick up the pace and contribute to overall team score.

At Ohio State this weekend Notre Dame will play one of the strongest fields they have faced all season. In addition to Notre Dame and host OSU, the 16-team field will include nine Big Ten teams—Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Michigan, Michigan State, Minnesota, Northwestern, Purdue and Wisconsin — plus five Mid-American Conference teams: Ball State, Kent, Marshall, Miami (Ohio) and Toledo.

Notre Dame will have Willie Kent back at full strength this week, as he battled tonsillitis last week leading to the Marshall tournament, but will be without the services of Hardin who will be taking the MCATS and is replaced by senior Brad Sianis.

"Brad has a lot of experience, and has played here before," stated Weeks. "I have confidence in him and I know he is geared up about playing."

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Wackiness gives way to intensity in round of 256

By BRIAN KESSLER
Assistant Sports Editor

La la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la la.
That’s right, even the smurfs fought the cold and wind yesterday to make an appearance at Bookstore Basketball.

Team Smurf, coated in blue paint, took the court with their theme song playing in the background, but they lost the hour-long marathon to make an appearance at Bookstore Basketball.

Assistant Sports Editor

The competition and intensity will start to pick up as the round of 256 gets underway today.

BOOKSTORE BASKETBALL

First Round Results

Show me the Money del Hey Guys, Big Dipsy hat, Alright Mexican Yams Tres del Team 297
Good Linda Margaret Hunting del Faber Does Not Like You
Mike Tyson, Ron Albert, and Three Other Guys who Bite it to How’s the Dish
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Marv Albert, Mike Tyson, and 3 Other Guys Who Bite it to How’s the Dish

The Aero-Haus del Team 47
Punching Clown del VPPO: Patsy Poochliner

Hey Guys, Big Dipsy hat, Alright Mexican Yams Tres del Team 297

In two of the closer games of the afternoon, Chris McGough and scored eight points for Mexican Yams Tres who defeated Team 297, 21-15, and Matt Tomko added eight, as Good Linda Margaret Hunting topped Sensation, 21-18.

Another blowout saw Mike Tyson, Marv Albert, and Three Other Guys Who Bite it to How’s the Dish.

“If was a little chilly playing out there for so long without our shirts on, but we had a lot of fun and the other guys were really good sports,” said Papa Smurf Davis Leung. Smurffette (Matt Hershey) was a force taking it to the whole, but Gargamel (Phil Erskine), Handy (Tim Reinbold), and Hefty (Joe Cavato) smurf couldn’t load a comeback after facing an 11-10 deficit at the half.

In other action, lop-sided games continued to dominate at Bookstore yesterday, as the first round finally drew to a close.

“So far I think the tournament is going really well,” said head commissioner Dan Delaney. “All of the seeded teams have advanced and we’re looking forward to the weekend when we’ll start to see some better matchups.”

Show Me the Money, the 20th seed in the tournament, will advance to play over the weekend, as they rolled to a 21-5 victory over Hey Guys, Big Dipsy hat, Alright. No. 3 seed, Off Shore Drilling, featuring Tim Ridder and Mike Rosenthal, advanced, as did Antwon Jones’ No. 13 Next, who defeated M.F. Souljas 21-2.

Another blowout saw Mike Tyson, Marv Albert, and Three Other Guys Who Bite it to How’s the Dish.

“We were happy with our play and surprised to have hit so many outside shots because of the wind,” said Tim Hemler, whose team won its second straight game by a score of 21-3.

“We have a pretty good team and it’s a joint effort, but basically we’re not expecting too much. We’re just out to have a good time.”

In two of the closer games of the afternoon, Chris McGough and scored eight points for Mexican Yams Tres who defeated Team 297, 21-15, and Matt Tomko added eight, as Good Linda Margaret Hunting topped Sensation, 21-18.

As of April 17, students who will participate in the May 1998 Commencement Ceremony, and who have indicated the number of tickets requested (up to a maximum of four) on the Commencement Ticket Request form, will have those requests honored. Because of the high demand for the maximum number of tickets, any requests turned in after April 17 cannot be guaranteed.

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Wins at Michigan quickly end a short Irish slump

By M. SHANNON RYAN
Sate Mary’s Edens

There was no need to panic after all.

After suffering through a 1-3 stretch, their worst this season, the No. 7 men’s tennis team breathed a sigh of relief yesterday after defeating Michigan 6-2, 6-4 in their conference and tied for first in the Big Ten, posed a threat, but the players were not ready.

The Wolverines’ statistics, 6-0 in their conference and tied for first in the Big Ten, posed a threat, but the players were not ready.

"It was nice to beat a good team," Bayliss said.

With a slight disadvantage (playing indoors because of forecasted rain), the Irish began the match by going to No. 1.

"Michigan has good doubles, but we were sloppy and had some fundamental breakdowns," Bayliss said.

But even though the Wolverines snapped their jaws on the duals, the Irish were able to take the bite out of their singles opponents, dropping only one match. "We went out and weren’t too aggressive in doubles," said Sachire. "But in singles we really turned it around. To take five out of six singles was great. I think we played with a lot of heart and intensity." Sachire, the No. 20 player in the nation, pounded his opponent to reel in his fifth straight win, with a two-set victory over David Pardzik.

"Sachire was his normal productive self," Bayliss said. "He was up 3-0 in the first set before Pardzik even had a chance to blink."

Sachire put up eye-popping numbers, steamrolling Pardzik, 6-2, 6-2. The sophomore continued to keep his name in the lime-light with the win, bringing his individual record to 18-3.

Although Jakub Pietrowski and Brian Patterson were shot down together in doubles, on their own they were the ones firing. Pietrowski, a senior, rallied to rip bullet holes through Michigan’s No. 2 talent, Matt Wright. After losing his first set 5-7, Pietrowski battled back in the last sets, 6-4, 6-4.

Junior Patterson did not play his best game but still managed to bring home his fifth straight win in singles. "Patterson deserves a tonamount of credit," Bayliss said. "He was down early and often in the first set, but he was able to fight back and win with his B-game." Although Michigan’s Arvid Enloe has passed all but two opponents’ tests this season he flunked against Patterson’s quizzing, 7-6, 6-3.

After a 1-4 drought, victory poured on captain Danny Rothschild at No. 4 after his 6-4, 6-4 win. Despite playing with a bruised foot, Rothschild was able to boot Will Farah out of the net and volleying with authority.

With Notre Dame holding the match 3-2, Enloe executed the game clincher with his 6-3, 6-3, 6-3 rout of John Long.

Enloe battled back from his second set lapse by subtracting Long’s forehand out of the equation with some gutsy shots. "He was serving better (in the second set)," Enloe said. "So I kicked into a higher level." By winning up another victory, the Irish have their eyes set on the site of Indianapolis. Their last regular season match will take place on Sunday before the Big East championship matches.

With the confidence-booster at Ann Arbor, the Irish have a clear plan in mind for the rest of the season.

"Straight down the lineup, we looked in the mirror and decided it was time to play," Enloe said. "It’s been tough; we’ve had our backs up against a wall, but everybody comes out ready to play."

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just trying to get them better. Also competing at the end position are Jason Chng, B.J. Scott, Kurt Vrellers and Andy Wiste, while the nose guard position are Jason Chng and Antwon Jones.

"At nose guard Lance Legere started some last year and played his a lot and Antwon Jones has been around a long time," head coach Bob Davie said. "So we’ve got two guys there with potential, we’ve just got to develop them." Legere weighs in as the biggest of the Irish up front, up to 290, but the rest of the line men also benefited from the rigorous off-season weight program.

"What has happened with the off-season weight program is guys have gotten a lot stronger and a lot bigger," Strong said. "They got weight which we needed and any time you get bigger and stronger it’s only going to help you with things you need to do. Being stronger allows us to be more aggressive on the field, which is one of our goals."

One of those players who put in overtime in the weight room was Grant Irons, who now weighs in at 247 after being around 220 last year. Irons also made the switch from inside linebacker to the defensive front. "He’s adjusting pretty good just because of his size and he’s a good athlete," Strong said. "He’s just a big old body, he gained a bunch of weight and he can do whatever we ask him to do." Another player who took advantage of the off season was junior Jason Chng.

"Now it’s better because I’ve gained some weight. I’m about 270 now," Chng said. "Last year at this time I was about 240 and I was just getting pushed around a lot so."

The focus of the Irish this spring remains the same as they prepare for Michigan on September 5.

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Irish sports level the playing field

JOHN COPPOLELLA

Bookstore Basketball is a prime example of an event that brings student-athletes and students together on a level playing field, if you will. On any given night at the Student Center courts, you will see members of the football team, the Finance club, the graduate school and even the engineering college throwing elbows and calling unnecessary fouls in the name of advancing in the tournament. Some teams make a joke of their game in the tourney, while others take it very seriously, but that's part of the legend that is Bookstore Basketball.

Yes, I played in the tournament once (not the past tense). While I believe that my 3-for-20 performance overshadowed a good effort by the rest of our team and ultimately led to our downfall, I would definitely do it all over again. The feeling that you get when you are playing and when there is a crowd cheering for you is something that you will experience in no other way. It was a valuable experience that I will never forget. Bookstore Basketball is a fun event that brings together students, faculty, and even some alumni. It's a great way to support the school and the students involved.

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Softball continued from page 24 there’s so many things that have happened within the league, as well as across the nation. Anything can happen at any given day. The game has really opened up from what it used to be."

At the start of the afternoon’s action, it looked like the Bulldogs were ready to put that theory to the test. Laboe had taken seven pitches for the visitors to score; they took advantage of the situation. The Irish started with a quick 1-0 lead. The Irish captured the second run home. But the Bulldogs tried to rally, scoring the next three runs in the third inning. The home team hit one run each in the second, but took the lead back-to-back doubles by senior Danielle Klayman to score. Finally, fresh- men combined pitching performances allowed only one hit in the fourth inning. The Irish won 7-0.

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Doug Logan, Commissioner, Major League Soccer
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Greg Via, Vice President, Gatorade

4:30-5:30
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giving up.
"This gives us a new type of challenge," said senior captain Alex Cade. "Everyone wants to go out on top, especially as seniors. Our priority is always winning, and nothing else."

Not having to fight for a playoff berth, the team, in an attempt to conquer this new challenge, has been trying new things and utilizing fresh players.

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The focus has long been on getting the offense to control the ball and settle into an attack that naturally finds the back of the net. The lack of control has kept the Irish from working plays that end up in the net. This new situation allows them to experiment more.

"We're switching our offense up and shuffling people around. We're finding roles for some of our younger player too," junior Chris Dusseau said. Underclassmen have been key to the team for a while, as the Irish started to try working different elements to fill the gaps created by injuries.

The results on the practice fields have been successful. "Offensively," said Dusseau, "we've had some of our best practices." Controlling the ball more on offense will also mean a defense that is not always on the offensive.

"Changing the offense around will help keep the pressure off the defense and the ball in their zone, not ours," Cade said.

Normally under these conditions, a team would fear facing a 10th-ranked squad. But this Fighting Irish team is taking this as their new challenge.

"Our focus now is playing for pride, and UMass is first up," Dusseau said.

Despite the recent outcomes, the Irish are not throwing in the towel.

"At first, the loss to Georgetown really got us down," said Cade. "But it soon kicks in that you still have three games left to give 100 percent. Us seniors have been doing it all four years, and now's not the time to stop."

In Wednesday's Observer two presentations were reversed. The correct times and dates are:

Friday, April 17
4:15 p.m. Religious Activism in South Africa: Apartheid and its Aftermath
Chair: Eark Menden
University of Notre Dame

Presentation: Ursula Dohr
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Presentation: Peter Walshe
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Presentation: René Malagé
South African Catholic Bishops Conference

Saturday, April 18
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Defensive coordinator Greg Mattison looks on as Brad Williams (77) works a conditioning drill.

Spring practices give Irish chance to build on strong defensive line

By JOE CAVATO
Associate Sports Editor

As the formation of the 1998 Notre Dame football team continues this spring, one of the main concerns is the development of the defensive line. With the graduation of Melvin "The Beast" Dansby and his 100-plus tackles, as well as nose guard Corey Bennett, the Irish coaching staff looks for new bodies to step up into those gaps.

"Even though we lost Melvin and Corey we just have to get those other guys ready to play," defensive line coach Charlie Strong said. "That's what spring is all about and getting them prepared to play.

The lone returning starter on the defensive front, Brad Williams, broke his ankle last week in practice which gives others the opportunity to perform and make an impression. Senior Lamont Bryant, who played outside linebacker last season, switched to defensive end, but is sidelined this spring due to injury.

"You just plug the next guy in and keep working," Strong said. "They all need work so we're trying to build depth in a position." We see a strong line emerging for the Irish defense.

Irish up win streak with sweep of Butler

By BILL HART
Assistant Sports Editor

Historically, April has been a very kind month for the Notre Dame softball team. Last season, the team won 16 of their last 19 games of the month to capture the Big East North Division crown. So, when the Irish began their longest homestand of the season riding a four-game winning streak, it seemed as if a psychic wouldn't be needed to predict the outcome. Head coach Liz Miller knew that the Butler Bulldogs would be ready to put up a fight, however.

"The way this season's been, we just plug the next guy in and keep working," Strong said. "They all need work so we're trying to build depth in a position." We see a strong line emerging for the Irish defense.

The team's leading scorer, senior Jimmy Keenan, will lead the Irish effort as they attempt to win one against No. 10 UMass on Saturday.

La la laalala...

Freshman Jennifer Shannon pitched the entire first game to earn a win in the 5-3 decision against the Bulldogs.

Irish netters break slump at Michigan

By BILL HART
Assistant Sports Editor

Though the fight to make the postseason has been eliminated for the Irish, they are far from out of the battle. The Irish tennis team secured a win over No. 10 Ohio State University at the Michigan State Invitational.

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