Student Activities cracks down on illegal postings

By FINN PRESSLY

The Observer

The office of Student Activities recently prohibited the Progressive Student Alliance (PSA) from posting advertisements on campus, raising questions about the University’s policy on posted advertisements.

“We’re suspended because our posters were posted at places other than University-approved bulletin boards,” said PSA member Madiyla Orr. “Anyone who walks through O’Shaughnessy can see that that’s illegal.”

“Some members of the PSA posted stuff on the lamposts outside, which is illegal,” said Orr. “After that, we made it a point to only put posters where there were other posters.”

Despite their precautions, the PSA was suspended from posting advertisements through the end of the semester, the standard punishment levied by Student Affairs after a second violation.

For the PSA, which has often relied on posters and flyers for advertisement, the suspension will be difficult to overcome.

“Basically, we can’t advertise any of our events,” said Orr. “After receiving its suspension, the PSA quickly appealed the decision. We appealed to Student Activities, and they said no.”

O’Shaughnessy (Hall) is, in my eyes, actually enhanced... by the array of posters. One has the sense of intellectual vibrancy.

JOE CASSIDY

Dean of College of Arts and Letters

The suspension was among three other groups that were suspended, though officials at Student Activities and the Club Coordination Council refused to release the names of the other organizations.

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“The process has been in place for several years,” said Cassidy.

Groups wishing to post information must first present copies of their material to Student Activities for approval. They are issued a "pull date" stamp and are required to sign a contract stating that their group will abide by campus posting rules.

“Departmental or academic and administrative are not required to have a stamp,” said Cassidy, adding that they are also bound to the same requirements as student organizations.

From there, it is the responsibility of the managers of each building to report offenders to Student Activities, Cassidy explained. After their first violation, organizations are issued a warning, followed by a suspension upon their second violation.

“Some student groups complain that enforcement is arbitrary, and yeah, it is,” said Cassidy. “Enforcement comes out of whoever manages the facility.”

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Construction Beat

Renovation closes Stepan courts

By TIM LOGAN

The installation of two water pipes under St. Joseph’s Drive will close the Stepan basketball courts until early April, affecting the opening rounds of Bookstore Basketball and closing the street for several days.

Construction, which began before spring break, is tentatively scheduled for completion April 9, according to James Lyphout, associate vice president for Business Operations. In the meantime, the Stepan courts will be home to large piles of dirt displaced by the digging. The Bookstore event begins April 4.

“We’ve kind of planned around it,” said Brendan Poe, Bookstore Basketball commissioner. “Hopefully it’ll be done fairly early in the tournament, and we won’t have to worry about it.”

Lyphout expressed hope that the annual Notre Dame sporting tradition will not be adversely affected by the construction.

“We hope that most, if not all, of Bookstore Basketball will be held on that site,” he said. While the digging should be done by April 9, several courts will need to be resurfaced. The timing of that will depend on when the asphalt plant opens. The plant cannot open until the weather warms up, which Lyphout said should happen in time for Bookstore.

“I think we’ll be able to get it closed up and ready,” he said. “We hope we can get it open in time.”

Bookstore officials will schedule games earlier in the day and later at night at other sites in order to accommodate the

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Alumni to elect new reps

By ANNE MARIE

The Observer

The Notre Dame Alumni Association is urging seniors, third-year law students and graduating graduate students to vote by Wednesday in its annual membership elections, according to Chuck Lennon, executive director of the Association.

“Students are given this opportunity to take part in the election of individuals who will serve as their representatives on the alumni board,” said Mary Pat Downey, editor of Alumni Publications, in a written statement to The Observer.

“The University is a worldwide organization. We recruit young men and women on an international basis and we would like to be

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Outside the Dome

Study shows daily drink does not cause breast cancer

BOSTON Women who drink one or two drinks a day get moderate pleasure from the beverage but are actually at no greater risk for developing breast cancer than non-drinkers, according to a study conducted by researchers at the Boston University School of Medicine. The findings, published last month in the American Journal of Epidemiology, contradict past studies, many of which have shown a woman's risk of breast cancer increases in accordance with her level of alcohol consumption.

Previous research indicated that women who drink to excess have a better chance of developing breast cancer by 20 to 30 percent, according to Dr. Yang Zhang, head researcher in the BU study. The common idea is that alcohol increases levels of estrogen, he said.

Scientific evidence does not, however, clearly support this connection.

OREGON STATE UNIVERSITY

Stadium name possibly up for sale

CORVALLIS, Ore. "In corporate sponsorship coming soon to a stadium near you? Maybe, maybe not. In the changing world of athletics, the sports entertainment and tourism programs are following an increasingly common trend: sell the naming rights of a sports venue to a corporate sponsor and reap financial benefits. "I think the time has come for more opportunities. What we see now are important for college athletics," said David Barbour, the Oregon State athletic director at the time. "What we've got at Oregon State is a financial situation that requires some unique approaches — unique approaches to how we have to solve them."

At other schools, that has involved naming rights. Arizona State, a fellow Pac-10 school, recently sold the naming rights to its University Activity Center in Wells Fargo bank. ASU received a $5 million gift from the bank last July. In exchange, the 25-year-old basketball venue became the Wells Fargo Arena.

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN-MILWAUKEE

Students plan protests over investments

MILWAUKEE University of Wisconsin students are planning protest demonstrations and other actions after the recent discovery that the UW Trust Fund Portfolio holds investments in a US-based company with documented cases of human rights abuses. Student activists both at UW and at UW-Madison have targeted Board of Regents members who are ultimately responsible for approval of investment policies. The California-based company Unocal has been found to have used slave labor and has forced relocation of native villages along its oil pipeline in Burma, according to a press release issued March 1 by UW Greens, an environmental watchdog group. The UW Alliance for Democracy, Earthrights International and the UW-Madison chapter of the Free Burma Coalition. "Unocal is well known for union busting and toxic dumping in California," said John Peck of the UW-Madison Greens.

BU study showed the same risk for developing breast cancer remained.

In addition to studying lighter drinkers, ISI scientists used methods different from past researchers, according to Dr. Curtis Ellison, senior author of the study. "The way we collected data was particularly creative," Ellison said.

More than earlier studies were case-controlled, meaning subjects who had already been diagnosed with cancer were assessed for their drinking habits over the years, he said.

This method leaves room for error, since women being questioned may not be accurately remembering their past behavior, Ellison said.

The BU review, however, was a prospective study. Researchers gathered data on the women before they developed cancer, he said.

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Data was collected from women during the past 10 years, and the only evidence against the death penalty is his own confession; a confession he later recanted, claiming police beat it out of him. Kokoraleis, however, has also been given deference by lower courts for other murders he committed.

"It's the first time ever" no longer has the Death Penalty. The "abolitionist" club includes Germany, France, Italy, Ireland, Poland, Australia, New Zealand, Haiti, the Vatican — some 63 countries in all, with 41 more that have the penalty but either reserve it to Death Row or have abolished it. Kokoraleis in the murder for which he was sent to Death Row. Kokoraleis is a much more difficult case. His claim of murdering whites are more likely to be innocent man to death is too great - Anthony

The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

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BCAC to honor Peters’ memory with artistic tribute

Special to the Observer

The Black Cultural Arts Council (BCAC) will be presenting a dramatic poetry reading of original poems and music celebrating the life of the late Erskine Peters tonight. "Songs For My Mother; And Other Women Like Her," an original poem by Jake Webster, will be presented as part of the tribute to Peters, an English professor who died a year ago. Webster, a noted sculptor and writer, will also be giving his own personal remarks.

The William and Katherine Devers Program in Dante Studies in conjunction with the Medieval Institute presents:

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Free and open to the public, followed by a reception to which all are welcome. This lecture is the first in a compact seminar titled "Dante: Visions and the Quest for Virtue." Professor Mazzotta will present a second public lecture on March 25 at 7:30pm in 138 DeBartolo Hall: "Dante: Between Bonaventura and Aquinas."

For further information contact the Devers Program in Dante Studies at (219) 631-5610.

Bringing It All Together

Come Join the Student Body Government ‘99-‘00

Applications are now available in the Student Government office for 1999-2000
Office of the President Team positions

Applications are due
Wednesday, March 17, 1999 by 5:00 p.m.
in the Student Government office (203 Lafortune).

A list of positions available is included with the application packet.

Interviews will be
Thursday, March 18, 1999 and Saturday, March 20, 1999.
Please sign up for an interview when one picks up an application.

Positions will be announced on Sunday, March 21, 1999

Boeing cuts thousands of jobs setting layoff record

Associated Press

SEATTLE Boeing Co. said Monday it will be able to cut 6,700 more jobs than expected, thanks to reduced overtime and other manufacturing efficiencies in its commercial airplane division.

The additional job cuts will mean that total job reductions by the end of the year will be at the high end of a range of 28,000 to 38,000 that the company announced earlier, Boeing said.

"They began to make a turn in the fourth quarter last year and have continued to make improvements in production," Boeing spokesman Peter Conte said. "As you get better, and more efficient, you need less people to do the job." While there will be layoffs, about half of the job cuts will come through attrition, he said.

Boeing's profits and its stock price have been severely depressed during most of the past two years, the result of production line snarls, parts shortages and late aircraft deliveries.

The troubles began as Boeing was ramping up assembly lines to record production rates, and asking workers to perform 20 percent more amounts of overtime. Since then some have slackened due partly to recessions in Asia and other markets and Boeing's plans to reduce its production rates over the next two years.

It announced late last year it would reduce employment to a 1998 peak of 248,400 down to between 185,000 to 190,000 by the end of 2000.

The Puget Sound area, where the majority of Boeing jetliners are assembled, bears the brunt of the layoffs.

Machine shop officials say the new job cuts are uncalled for. The union, which represents Boeing production workers in Seattle and Wichita, Kan., negotiated last year.

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Alumni represented in the same way.

The ballots contain biographies and statements from all candidates to help familiarize voters with graduates running for board membership to encourage alumni to participate in the election, explained Downing. Despite these efforts, Lennon said that younger alumni are less likely to vote than their older counterparts.

"We're looking for a way to make it better. We've been tracking voters by class year for three years," he said, explaining that the Association uses color-coded ballots as one way to gauge the number of alumni in different age groups who are voting.

Lennon emphasized that graduates should vote because the elected representatives determine the policies of the Association.

The alumni board [members are the policy makers of the Association]," he said, noting that the club coordinates alumni affairs in the areas of continuing education, community service, alumni clubs, student relations and administration.

Downing noted that University president Father Edward Malloy met with the board during each of its three annual gatherings last year to determine alumni opinions on a possible membership in the Big Ten.

According to Lennon, voting is easy and quick.

"It only takes seven checkmarks and we pay the postage," he said. "There's no reason not to read it and vote."

He also highlighted the duties of at-large board members, who must be young alumni.

"[Their] job and responsibility is to represent the views of the young alumni," Lennon said, noting that the University considers those who have graduated in the past ten years as recent alumni. He explained that these graduates are represented by at-large members rather than regional delegates because many are not settled in one area, but instead are moving around and may attend law, graduate or medical schools.

"We basically serve as a liaison between young alumni and the Alumni Association and facilitate communication between alumni and their clubs," said Julie Epping, a 1993 alumna who is a current-at-large member of the board.

"We have our own committee; we share ideas and come up with ways to involve young alumni.

Epping cited the committee's work on creating a Web site for recent graduates and efforts to encourage local alumni clubs to utilize e-mail to contact young alumni.

Lennon said that eligible voters include students graduating in the year of the election and all alumni who made financial donations to the University during the two calendar years prior to the election; this year's voters are those who gave during 1997, he explained, because records on 1998 donations are not yet available. Approximately 10 percent of the 50,000 eligible alumni vote each year, said Lennon.

Elected members serve for three years and may only serve one term.

Epping believes that this year's graduates should be concerned about who is elected to the at-large positions because of their emphasis on the needs of young alumni.

"Young alumni should vote for the at-large members especially to get someone in there when they think they will represent their interests," she said.

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decreased number of courts.

Pot experts that only two will be unusable and that the tournament will still run smoothly.

This construction is part of a $28 million project to expand the volume of chilled water available to operate air conditioning units around campus. The expansion comes as a result of recent campus construction.

The new bookstore, the Rollins Sports Recreation Center and other buildings have increased the demand for air conditioning across campus. Also, the Main Building will be air conditioned when it reopens this summer.

Other parts of the project will include construction of 24,000 loft units for water chillers and added infrastructure at the water cooling plant. The only other significant disruption will likely occur during construction of the science teaching facility on Juniper Road. That will not occur for at least a year, however, Lyphout said.

One of the two new pipes being buried under St. Joseph's Drive will carry chilled water from the plant to campus, while the other will carry the used water back.

ALUMNI BOARD CANDIDATES BY REGION

The following alumni are candidates in the upcoming Alumni Board election:

Region 2 (CO, MT, NM, SD, UT, WY and Calgary, Alberta): Cecilia Serna '83 and John Studebaker '62
Region 5 (IA, KS, MO, NE): Bernard Dursky '59 and Paul Drey '89, '92 JD
Region 11 (ME, MA, NH, Northern CT, RI and VT): Susan Burke '87 MBA and John Gleason III '65
Region 12 (DC, DE, Eastern PA, MD, VA): Dennis Danlevy '79 and Sean O'Brien '86
Region 15 (GA, NC, SC): Peter Campbell '67 and Thomas Cramer '68
Region 17 (FL, Puerto Rico): William Kelley Macke '70 and Carol Ann Breyer '68 MA

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Ballonists break distance record, continue journey

The Swiss-English balloonists trying to circle the world hit a new high Tuesday in their epic flight over the Pacific Ocean. The team's balloon, named "Enola Gay" after the World War II atomic bomb dropped on Hiroshima, crossed the equator and entered the Pacific near the Marshall Islands, their control center said. Bertrand Piccard of Switzerland and Brian Jones of England finally reached 18,500 miles above the Pacific and picked up speed, the balloonists said. They hope to reach Tokyo tonight.

Chinese panda pair refuse to cooperate in zoo

SNDIEGO

She's young and frisky. He's an older, more sedated and lethargic. So far, there has been no love connection. San Diego Zoo staffs have been desperately trying to make a giant panda couple in captivity, but so far the furious, black-and-white creatures do not seem interested in doing nothing but get on each other's nerves. "For this species, the outlook is gloomy," Don Lindsay, leader of the zoo's giant panda team, said last week. On loan from their native China, the 22-year-old Bai Yun and the 20-year-old Shi Shi have been described consistently as not interested in mating with one another. But now, since they joined the zoo in September 1996. Meanwhile, the panda population worldwide continues to decline as development eats away at their bamboo-thick habitat. Still, San Diego officials hold out hope that Shi Shi will impregnate Bai Yun naturally, saying the couple's sexual malaise may have been caused by the pair spending too much time in the past two mating seasons.

Scottish welcome Lewinsky

GLASGOW

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Ecuadorian cab drivers protest price hike

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Belgium

EU executive commission quits

The entire European Union Executive Commission resigned Tuesday after a panel of experts issued a scathing report on crooked and financial irregularities at the top of the executive branch.

"All the commissioners have resigned. We will prepare a statement for the European Parliament," European Commissioner Franz Fischler told reporters after an emergency session of the European Commission.

Fischler added a report, issued Monday, citing several of the 20 European Commissioners for crooked and financial irregularities in aid and other programs had created a climate in which the EU executive could not remain in office.

"It is better than to continue in such uncertainty," he said.

The commission is the powerful EU's body that runs the day-to-day affairs of the 15-nation trade group, drafts laws and enforces their implementation. It also represents the EU in international trade negotiations.

Shortly afterwards, European Commissioner President Jacques Santer also announced the mass resignations.

Santer planned to meet later Tuesday with Jose-Maria Gil Bohles, the president of the European Parliament, which instigated the fraud inquiry. Officials said no other details would be announced until then.

The resignation of the entire EU executive branch was the first in the history of the 42-year-old European Union.

Banksers said they feared the financial system might be affected by the withdrawals by nervous account holders.

"An incredible quantity of people have already approached the banks to consult about withdrawing money," Xavier Alvarez, a trader with ABN Amro, told Dow Jones Newswires. To protect the banks, Mahuad announced Thursday that all dollar savings accounts and half of dollar checking accounts with more than $500 would be frozen for a year.

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Gambler faces fine, prison for bribery

Associated Press

PHOENIX

A gambler who put up some of the money and helped arrange that Stevin Burton counted votes before the start of a basketball game last February 1994, Rivera said.

Rivera, who was indicted in January on charges of conspiracy, money laundering, and mail fraud, said Basso did much the same thing with about the same amount of money in the March 1994 Arizona State University basketball game with Washington, but Smith didn’t protest the point spread and the gamblers lost their $145,000 wager.

Basso admitted he worked with Joe Gagliano in Las Vegas to arrange that Steve "Hodak" Smith, a student at Arizona State University, fly to Los Angeles to stand in for Joe as head bookie Peter Cesaro. The Senate, which has been investigating Sen. John F. Kennedy’s role in the case, has heard testimony that Cesaro was the mastermind of the operation.

Basso referred to Cesaro as the "brain of the operation," and said he handled the accounting and bookkeeping for the operation.

The Senate is expected to release a report on the investigation in early March.

Rivera said Basso, who was quoted in an Arizona newspaper article as saying he would not cooperate, had agreed to cooperate.

Rivera also said Basso said that the Senate was "too big a thing for us to handle." The Senate investigation is being conducted by special counsel for the Senate.

Recycle the Observer

The Riley Prize in Art History and Criticism

The Department of Art, Art History and Design at the University of California, Los Angeles, has announced its annual competition for the Riley Prize in Art History and Criticism. Current Notre Dame undergraduate art history students are invited to submit essays on any topic in the history of art or art criticism for consideration in the competition. Essays must deal with the visual arts. They may have been written in conjunction with a course taken at the University, but need not have been.

Books such as CORA and DeBartolo are notoriously difficult for groups to post information to, according to Cassidy. He explained that this stems from the sense of intellectual vibrancy, said Mark Buck, dean of the College of Arts and Letters.

"I’m certainly of favor of a campus with many opportunities to advertise intellectual events. I find LaFortune to have insufficient space for that purpose. I find DeBartolo to be similarly lacking," said Roche.

"Several concerns have been voiced about DeBartolo," said student body president Peter Cesaro. "The student Senate addressed this issue back in its first semester. Students need to have the opportunity to put up posters. Things like that can help you when you’re in the classroom building. We want to make sure students have the opportunity to advertise their functions.

Following the Senate resolution, more bulletin boards were installed in DeBartolo, signaling a trend for future expansion of advertisement space, Cesaro explained.

L.A. to host next Democratic Convention

With Democrats firmly back in power in California, the Democratic National Convention is returning to Los Angeles next year for the first time since John F. Kennedy was nominated in 1960.

Civic leaders and convention boosters said Monday’s announcement was proof that the nation’s second-largest city had rebounded from its much-publicized problems — such as economic downturn,(anchor) floods and race riots.

The choice of Los Angeles over 12 other cities that were asked to submit proposals, including Boston and Denver, reflects California’s importance — with its 54 electoral votes and generous campaign donors — in choosing the next president.

"California is the big ATM for any national campaign," said Sherry Bethia Jeffc, a political analyst with the Claremont, University School of Politics and Economics.

"The Democrats will come here like a vacuum cleaner," Jeffc said.

The Democratic National Committee voted away from the state in recent years because it was led by Republicans, said former Colorado Gov. Roy Romer, the chairman. He also cited ballot initiatives that rolled back affirmative action programs and barred state aid to immigrants.

Romer said the party was ready to return to the state now that Democratic Gov. Gray Davis is in office, and Democrats control both houses in the Legislature and occupy most statewide elected offices.

Joe Andrew, head of the DNC’s site-selection team, said California’s diversity and Los Angeles’ unique public-private convention bid were also key factors in the party’s decision.

The Republican convention in Philadelphia is "California is the ideal place to showcase the positive message and vision of the Democratic Party and our presidential nominee," Andrew said.

"California represents the promise of diversity in an era of globalization," added Jack Burton, who heads the Democratic Party’s national political committee.

"The bid, which was put together by an independent host committee dubbed LA Convention 2000, proposed that private donors pick up much of the convention’s $53.5 million cost, contrary to the usual practice of having the city back the deal. Although that element supposedly was a point of contention between the two sides, Andrew praised the unique offer and touted it as a "model for political conventions."

"Unlike Republicans, the 2000 political convention will be sponsored by the private sector with the cooperation of the public sector," Andrew said. "Not the other way around."

Republican National Committee spokesman Tom Fitzpatrick criticized Andrew’s remarks, saying the Philadelphia convention was part of an “unprecedented, privately funded” package.

Fitzpatrick also criticized the site, saying, “The Democrats can’t seem to get away from Buddhist temples and the Hollywood elite.” In an apparent reference to the Hollywood Hills temple at the center of fund-raising allegations against Vice President Al Gore.

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Hardcover popularity threatens survival of paperbacks

Associated Press

Citing the slow movement of mass-market paperbacks, a specialty of the vinyl LP?

Since Pocket Books sold the first modern mass-market books for a quarter just before World War II, compactness and affordability have been their primary appeal. "Take it on a plane, take it on a train, take it to the beach," said Jim Milliot, the business and news editor at Publishers Weekly.

But for consumers shelling out more money than ever for books, mass-market paperbacks are smaller and lighter than trade paperbacks, usually sold in bookstores.

As prices of the mass-market paperbacks have inched toward the $8 mark, sales slipped 7.8 percent from 1996 to 1997, according to a report by Veronis, Suhler and Associates, an investment bank specializing in media companies.

"The 35-cent paperback is now $7.99, ... which is not that far away from what a trade paperback costs," said Richard Howorth, president of the American Booksellers Association. "Mass-market publishers may be pricing themselves out of the market."

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Whitewater lawyers want Hillary’s testimony played

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Clinton’s videotaped testimony to a grand jury at the trial of her former Whitewater partner, Susan McDougal, Starr deputy W. Hickman Ewing said outside the courthouse at the end of Monday’s testimony that prosecutors want to play “perhaps 30 minutes” of the first lady’s testimony, as early as Tuesday.

McDougal’s lawyer, Mark Geragos, was expected to object at a hearing Tuesday morning before the trial resumes.

In a court filing prepared by prosecutors and obtained by the Associated Press, Starr’s office suggested Clinton’s testimony might make it even more vital for McDougal to cooperate with the criminal investigation.

The prosecutors’ court papers say “the videotape will show that the first lady testified she had no knowledge or information about either” a $27,680 loan made in Bill Clinton’s name or a $3,081.82 check signed by McDougal and used to pay off part of the Clinton loan. The AP obtained the papers, which had not been filed with the court as of the close of business Monday, from a person familiar with the case.

The prosecutors say “the videotape ... will establish ... the importance of questions posed to, and answered by, the first lady and prepared for McDougal to answer.

The defense opened the door for prosecutors to present Clinton’s testimony when Geragos questioned FBI agent Mike Patkus still on the witness stand, went through the testimony the agent had given.

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that he did not know if prosecutors had asked Clinton a series of questions about a $27,680 loan in the name of Bill Clinton from the Madison Guaranty Savings and Loan owned by McDougal and her former husband, James McDougal.

Prosecutors allege that the Clinton loan is connected to a fraudulent $300,000 loan made to McDougal in 1986. She is charged with contempt of court and obstruction of justice.

Fawing said prosecutors want “clear up misrepresentations” left last Thursday when Patkus testified that he wasn’t sure Clinton had been questioned about the transactions.

In particular, Fawing pointed to questions put to the agent about how the Clinton loan was paid off.

The prosecutor’s interest in showing Clinton’s testimony from April 25, 1998, arose at the end of the day’s trial testimony, when prosecutor Julie Byrnes, with Patkus still on the witness stand, went through the testimony the agent had given.

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Men's Fencing: Notre Dame's Most Winning Sport

Scene may think that football should lay claim to the title of Notre Dame's most winning sport. Wrong, Not one close.

Notre Dame's most winning team once won 122 matches in a row. They have won more than 60 percent of their matches over the past 63 seasons. They have finished in the Top 10 in the NCAA tournament every single year since 1973. During the past 25 years, they have finished first.

second or third an amazing 17 times. They won national championships in 1977, 1978, 1986 and 1999. With a little work, they will win their fifth national championship this weekend. They have 10 National Champions in individual events. Notre Dame is the most winning sport in men's fencing.

Since 1947 Irish swordsmen have had only one losing season, a 2-8 mark in 1962. Since 1973, the worst record for any Notre Dame fencing squad was the 23-9 mark of the 1996 team! Eleven times during the past 24 years, the Slobing Irish have been unbeaten.

The sport of fencing was first seen on the campus in 1907 when Pedro de Landero enrolled in the class of 1911. De Landero practiced in the "Lyc" room at Corby Hall with Jose Luis Rozpoa and Encarles Dogan. In 1910, de Landero and a few other fencing exhibitions in Washnngton Hall and at Saint Mary's, but nothing more came of the sport at that time.

After graduation, de Landero returned to his native Mexico to put his civil engineering degree to work. He continued his fencing studies, specializing in the saber, under top fencing masters around the

world. De Landero returned to Notre Dame in 1926, as a professor of Spanish. Popular and his colleagues, the witty de Landero was elected president of the Faculty Club a few years later. He gave another Washington Hall fencing exhibition in 1933, sparking some student interest. During that fall season, De Landero judged a saber bout which followed a meeting of the Notre Dame French Club. After the bout, de Landero himself fenced student Harold May and showed that he had not lost his touch (pun intended). Thus was born the Notre Dame Fencing Club.

After compiling undefeated seasons in 1933 and 1936, de Landero saw his sport elevated to varsity status. During that fall season, one of the better tennis players on the campus was a tall, young, accounting student named Ned Joyce. Three decades later, the Reverend Edmund P. Joyce, as exasperatingly keen to fence as his brother, supervised the building of the Athletic and Convocation Center. The "ACG Joyce Center has been Notre Dame's most successful "breakfast" for fencing ever since.

De Landero's teams won 75 percent of their fencing matches, ordinarily good enough to enter any school's rostering parade. Not only Notre Dame fencing, though, the next fencing coach was Walter Langford, also a Spanish professor (and serious Chicago Cubs fan). Langford compiled a winning percentage in excess of 81 percent. Langford's men thrust and parried their way to eight Top 10 finishes in the NCAA Tournament. Six of his blademen earned All-American recognition. After being named chair of the Modern and Classical Languages department, Langford turned over the team to Herb Molten. Molten had fenced sabre for Langford in the early 40s. He returned to Notre Dame to attend Law School. During his four years as coach, Molten actually surpassed his mentor, leading the Irish to a winning percentage in excess of 85 percent.

His 1950 team finished 9-0 and garnered sixth place in the NCAA tournament. Molten left Notre Dame in 1950 to practice law in his native Paducah, Ky. Langford again took over the program.

Twelve years later, Mike DeCicco, assistant coach under Langford and star fencer in all three weapons, under Moltern, became Notre Dame's fourth head fencing coach. DeCicco had returned to his alma mater to finish his doctorate and teach in the Engineering Department.

Undistorted by the gladly winning percentages of his predecessors, DeCicco upped the ante by winning more than 93 percent of his matches (640-36). He also garnered five National Championships, coached eight individual NCAA Champions, compiled a 128-match winning streak, tutored nearly 100 All-Americans, averaged 12 individual seasons, and earned four National Coach of the Year awards. DeCicco also coached and assisted in numerous Olympic and World Championship events. DeCicco has always been a modest person. He was particularly helpful in a young, eager-but-clumsy student assistant in Sports Information, assigned to cover the fencing program in 1964.

Despite his accomplishments as a distinguished engineer professor and fencing coach, DeCicco may have made an even greater impact in another sport. In 1964, Father Joyce asked DeCicco to start an academic advising program for athletes. This program soon became the model for all NCAA colleges. DeCicco initiated the tutoring, class monitoring and degree progress components of the program which are still the bedrock of the Academic Services for Student-Athletes Program. DeCicco retired after the 1995 season, turning the program over to his assistant, Yves Auriol. Auriol had led the women to a winning percentage in excess of 95 percent before also taking over the men's team.

For four years at the helm, Auriol has won more than 93 percent of his matches with the men's team and a combined record for the men's and women's team greater than 94 percent. With a couple more seasons like this year's 25-1 record, Auriol will continue the tradition of rare coaches winning a greater percentage of their matches than their predecessors—a quite an accomplishment, where the bar was set so high in the beginning? This weekend, the Irish will be in William, Massachusetts on the campus of Brandeis University for the NCAA tournament. Men's and women's individual scores are combined for the NCAA tournament.

Notre Dame has qualified the maximum of ten fencers. According to Brian Besual, assistant athletic director with oversight of the fencing program, the Irish will be a strong contender, along with Stanford, Princeton, St. John's and Pennsylvania to challenge defending and perennial champion Penn State for the NCAA title. Penn State administered the only Irish defeat this year, 14-3, on the first weekend of competitions. The Nittany Lions defeated the Irish in the NCAA's last year by the bucket of margins 149-147. The Irish women fended strong, outstanding all the women's teams. Notre Dame lost because of a sub-par performance in men's foil. The Irish men will be led by defending National Champion and three-time All-America, Luke Vallada (sabre). Luke may find his toughest competition from trium­ nate Galor Savile, a freshman from Budapest, Hungary, Szey is ranked No. 1 among sabreman in the Midwest. The women will be led by returning All-America Sara Walsh first team all three years, in foil, Myriah Brown beyond team all three years in foil; Nicole Muntal (first team in epee) and Magda Krol (second team in epee). Krol was 1997 national champion.

This is the first time the NCAA tournament has been held at the Boston Coliseum basketball practice facility since 1994, when the Irish Swzechallarkers won.

Cappy's Corner, 76, is the Coordinator for Student Personnel.

The views expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.
Phil Donahue Responds to Board of Trustees

Kingly allow me a minute of this busy day to urge you to call upon your fellow trustees to reverse the decision to exclude sexual orientation in Notre Dame’s non-discrimination clause. To do so would place Notre Dame squarely in line with the Faculty Senate, the Academic Council, our own student body and other respected Catholic Universities which have reached out to all their students, alumni and faculty. These fine schools, including Georgetown University, St. Louis University, University of San Francisco, Boston College, DePaul University, Loyola University of Chicago, St. Thomas University, Fordham Law School, St. Edwards University in Austin and others, have upheld a pledge not to discriminate against gay and lesbian members of their University family as well as those who seek employment, whether the partial opening or professional employment. They have done so without controversy and with no change in the Catholicity of their schools.

Moreover, many of our Notre Dame Trustees preside over businesses that have placed in writing their corporate promise not to discriminate because of sexual orientation. Notre Dame should do no less.

While it is certainly true that no one at Notre Dame harbors any ill toward homosexuals, our University must take responsibility for the environment which this action creates. If Notre Dame refuses to allow gay students to meet, form a club, or advertise in campus publications, why should anybody respect gay people?

Puting it in a more painful way, Notre Dame cannot mourn the death of Wyoming’s Matthew Shephard (who was tied to a fence and beaten to death because he was gay) and at the same time refuse to grant gay Domers the dignity or respect gay people’s universities and employers have reached outside the world-wide gay family.

Notre Dame’s bias treatment of gays unintentionally nourishes homophobia, makes it easier for Senator Trent Lott to liken gays to kleptomania, and opens the door to the kind of hate crimes that are now on the increase. The body of a gay man was recently discovered dumped in a pile of burning tires in Alabama. St. Louis University, in writing, explains its non-discrimination clause as a commitment that is mandated by our Christian values and beliefs:

“St. Louis University prohibits discrimination based on race, color, sex, national origin, religion, age, disability, or veteran status. In addition, based on our Catholic values and tradition, we are committed to protecting the dignity of each person and therefore extend our non-discrimination policy to include sexual orientation. All University policies, practices, and procedures are administered in a manner consistent with our Catholic Jesuit identity.”

Please join me and the thousands of other Irish faithful who long for our Alma Mater to go on record pledging never to separate amuse from our University family. To state the obvious, we are all God’s children, entitled in equal access to all the freedoms and all the joys of full participation in the life of the University of Our Lady, Notre Dame.

Phil Donahue 57
March 12, 1999

Did Spring Break drain your bank account? Edit for Viewpoint and fill it up. 1-5303.

Ashe Off the Mark in Affirmative Action Letter

In a letter to the Editor titled “End Affirmative Action” on Feb. 18th, Leah Ashe argues that America should move away from affirmative action because “it denies opportunities to those in the ‘majority’” and “it wrongly suggests that minorities are unable to succeed without outside assistance.”

Nowhere in the letter does Ms. Ashe mention why affirmative action programs are implemented or how they were intended to be used. Instead she cites personal examples of how her father and uncle were not immediately awarded jobs and offers an example of a hypothetical situation in which she says she would prefer to have the most physically imposing (best) cop come to her aid during a mugging as reasons for ending a program that attempts to give an opportunity to groups of people who have historically been denied these opportunities.

Affirmative action programs are an outgrowth and continuation of a national effort to remedy subjugation of racial and ethnic minorities and of women. For much of this century, and as late as the late 1960s and early 1970s, Hispanic and African Americans were still segregated, for the most part, into low wage jobs. Whole industries and categories of employment were, in effect, all-white and all-male. In thousands of towns and cities police departments and fire departments remained all-white and male. Thus, private and public institutions alike too often seemed imperious to the winds of change, remaining all-white or all-male long after court decisions or statutes formally ended discrimination.

As a result, both the courts and Republican and Democratic administrations turned to race- and gender-conscious remedies as a way to end entrenched discrimination. Remedies that were developed after periods of experimentation had shown that other means too often failed to correct the problems. A quick reading of employment statistics before affirmative actions will show the obvious discrimination, and even with affirmative action, minorities and women are still grossly under-represented in many employment categories. Is Ms. Ashe suggesting that we go back to the hiring procedures before affirmative action or does she really believe that those discriminatory practices no longer exist?

In the example about her father, Ms. Ashe said that in the mid-70s he was denied a position as a firefighter in Buffalo, NY, despite scoring high on an merit-based, objective employment test. He placed 36th out of thousands of applicants, but some minority who had the 300th best score out of thousands got the job. Now 300 out of 2000 is 15 percent, and she said that there were thousands of applicants which means the 300th ranked person has an even better position. No, 300 is not better than the 36th best score, but do we really know how close the 36th score is to the 300th when there are thousands of applicants?

Affirmative action was intended to help qualified minorities. So, the question now becomes how do we define qualified. In the case of a police officer or firefighter, we need to know whether or not that person can fulfill the duties and obligations of the position. Either you are qualified to do the job or you’re not. Once these qualified applicants are found, their criteria should be considered to distinguish them. If the history and the make-up of that force is mostly white then yes, a minority candidate should be more strongly considered. I don’t know the racial history of the police and firefighter forces in Buffalo, but I don’t think I would be reaching if I said that it is disproportionately white and male. When police shoot unarmed black man 41 times in NY and open fire on a teenage girl in California, we definitely need to ensure that these police forces open up opportunities to minorities. When black motorists are disproportionately stopped and checked on our highways, then there is something stereotypical about the thinking and policies of our current police forces. When it takes longer for police to respond to certain neighborhoods ...

I know Leah Ashe from a freshman engineering class for which I was a TA, and I remember her as being bright, energetic, prepared and curious. The class was far more rewarding to have Leah in it. I am a black American graduate student, and I don’t doubt that I am more because Notre Dame made a conscious effort to admit a qualified black student into their graduate program. For this I am grateful. I am not concerned whether people think I was admitted solely on race or not, and I would much rather that people worried about how I got in than deal with the frustration of not being admitted to a place for which I am qualified. I’m not sure how many other minority TA’s or professors that Ms. Ashe had I do know that there was not one black student out of the 50 in my classroom, but if Notre Dame had admitted another white graduate student in my place, there then would be no African American graduate students in the computer science department here, and I would have never had the pleasure of being Leah’s TA.

Race should not be the primary factor when considering employment or college admissions, but rather a consideration, just like test scores and extra-curricular activities.

Jazmin Butler
Graduate Student
March 4, 1999
The feast day of Saint Patrick is traditionally associated with hope, joy and their offspring. Historically, "As the sturgeon or salmon swims exactly in midstream, so does St. Patrick's Day fall exactly in mid-spring."

Though the holiday of St. Patrick's Day originated as a feast day for the patron saint of Ireland, it has evolved into a holiday for people of all religions and ethnic backgrounds to unite and celebrate as one.

Students at Notre Dame look forward to this as an opportunity to share good times with friends and classmates shortly after spring break. Campus clubs organize activities to commemorate this feast day, while other students plan parties to share the spirit of the holiday.

Many students drink green beverages in recognition of St. Patrick. Fortunately, St. Patrick did not disapprove of drinking these beverages. Although he frowned on excess, he had a brewery in his own home. St. Bridget was also noted for the excellence of her beverages. Other traditions associated with St. Patrick include the wearing of green ribbons and shamrocks.

St. Patrick's Day is observed quite differently in Ireland than in America. The Irish observe the holiday in such a way that all of the church's evil to capacity. Voices echo the countryside singing "Hail Glorious St. Patrick."

The words include, "All praise to St. Patrick/Who brought to our mountains/The sweet light of his faith, and preached in the land of Gael."

Irish families traditionally celebrate the holiday with the man of the household blessing his wife and children while he makes the sign of the cross with a charred stick.

Parades also commemorate the greatness of St. Patrick in Ireland just as they do in America. In fact, Irish-Americans may have been the founders of this tradition in the United States.

Some argue that the earliest St. Patrick's Day in Ireland was over 1,500 years ago. Men wore green, bore shamrocks and marched to the beat of a drum. The Irish-Catholic Temperance Society was well represented at the earlier parades, but their presence faded in later years.

Today, families still march together with their small children. They rejoice in their land and the history of their people. Some families march with their family crest to display their pride. Politicians of different ethnic and religious backgrounds march in St. Patrick's Day parades (think Boston) to gain civic recognition.

Other cities, such as Chicago, display their spirit on St. Patrick's Day by dying their rivers green.

St. Patrick's Day also recognizes the achievements of the man. St. Patrick. He allegedly sent his pastoral staff on a pilgrimage from Germany to Rome. They stopped at a house on an island in the Tyrrhenian Sea during this journey where a married couple with aged children and grandchildren resided.

Jesus supposedly blessed St. Patrick's followers with his staff and grazed them with youthfulness. He then made them promise to give the staff to St. Patrick when he stopped by their residence in Rome. At age 60, St. Patrick received this staff and the message to "go and preach in the land of the Gael." The staff is still preserved today.

St. Patrick discusses the obstacles he confronted with the Irish people in his "Confessions." At first, the clergy and educated people of Ireland did not accept him. Bishops condemned him as an outsider and a foreigner, even though he embraced the Irish culture.

St. Patrick struggled to gain an understanding of the Irish language. Unfortunately for him, the Irish are often lauded for their literature and clever proverbs. Some Irish expressions have gained universal acceptance, such as, "The last straw broke the horse's back" and "Be nice to them on the way up — you might meet them all on the way down." Other witty proverbs include, "Never let your right hand know what your left hand is doing" and "A friend's eye is the best mirror."

St. Patrick intensely studied the various elements of the Irish language and history for the seven years that he spent as a slave in Ireland. Fortunately, the clergy eventually accepted him.

Since then, St. Patrick contributed a great deal to the Irish folklore. He is especially remembered for his miracles. Legends say he defeated witches and transformed their dwellings into monasteries like the Rock of the Candle. Other stories say that Christ revealed the island of Purgatory to St. Patrick. St. Patrick also had an impact on the manner in which the Irish people practiced Roman Catholicism. He distinguished it from the Christianity that other groups observed because of the cheerful nature of Celtic mythology and its dogmas.

There are clearly several facets of Irish and Roman Catholic history that account for the celebration of the feast day of St. Patrick. Please remember tomorrow — the importance of this holiday comes not only from the rich heritage of a proud people, but also from the many ethnic Americans of different ethnic backgrounds who simply decide to enjoy this day of fun and celebration regardless of what they are wearing green.

Happy St. Patrick's Day!
As a kid, St. Patrick's Day was about one thing, and one thing alone. This one thing infiltrated every facet of every March 17. Of course, this one thing is the color green.

Symbolically, the color green is envy. I guess I always envied those people who could get into the holiday so much that Christmas looked like Arbor Day (I apologize to those Arbor Day fanatics). There were the cookies, the leprechaun outfits, the parties and the shamrocks.

Okay, so maybe I didn't envy those people. Perhaps I almost despised them. Come on! It's just a little springtime holiday. Why should it be so meaningful?

Wait. I know the answer. It's the whole pinching thing. When someone is caught not wearing anything green, they are left unprotected to the great pinching punishment. To forget the green shirt on St. Patrick's Day is to ask for pain. But it's not just a physical pain. It's emotional as well.

I remember when I was in elementary school. It was a beautiful day, and my mum woke me up to get ready for school and eat breakfast. It seemed like an ordinary day. Unfortunately, I kept thinking it was an ordinary day.

So I went to school — with my black backpack, blue jeans, white socks, black hair, brown skin, brown eyes, clear fingernails, white undershirt and gray t-shirt. I walked around the playground with my usual dreary face, even though I thought it was going to be a pretty good day.

But things seemed immediately different. The playground was nothing but a sea of green little brats running around. I thought I was lost in a big bucket of green stuff — just that it was green and it was stuff.

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So all of my supposed friends attacked me. I was pinched all over. I was pinched in places where one would never want to be pinched. It hurt a lot. It hurt way too much.

It didn't really kill me, as the title to this column implies. But it did affect my outlook on life. No longer did I get outside of my room or house without green on my body. In case you were curious, I even got a tattoo of a shamrock in one of those places where I shouldn't have been pinched. Isn't that cool?

So beware tomorrow. We are giving you warning now, so that you may not make a grave mistake as you dress tomorrow. Remember the green.

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Indoor championships crown five Irish All-Americans

By KEVIN THOMPSON
Staff Writer

Last weekend when most students were skiing up the ramps in Carson, the Notre Dame women's and men's track and field squads were bearing down for the 1999 NCAA Indoor Championships in Indianapolis.

The women finished in 32nd place and the men in 33rd. This marks the 15th consecutive year the Irish have placed in the top eight United States cities.

Seniors Mike Brown and Antonio Areo were named All-Americans in the triple jump and mile events respectively.

With Jennifer Engerhardt and Marshall West as recognized performers in the 5,000 meters, high jump and pole vault, Brown competed in his first ever indoor championships. The senior tied finished for sixth overall clearing a 17-feet, 10.5-inch bar. Brown made the Notre Dame record holder in the triple jump. Brown was bestowed by a first place vault by Texas' Jacob Brown in 1999.

Senior Antonio Areo was also named All-American in Indoor Championships debut in Indianapolis. The cross-country star posted a 4:13.32, good enough for sixth place, in the mile. Areo ran to a 4:04.14 finish.

Also on the men's side, sprinting sensation West soared high marks at the 1500 meters. The sophomore who had qualified for both the 200 and 400 meter races decided to concentrate on the long jump. In a satisfying display, West lowered his season-best place finish boosting the men's team.

For the women, Doeter put on a spectacular performance for the Irish. Doeter finished in the top eight in the 5,000 meters. She now holds the Notre Dame record. Engerhardt made a return to nationals to post a thirteenth in the high jump with a mark of 5-feet 8-inches. In 1997, Engerhardt was fifth in the high jump with a jump of 6-feet 3-inches.

The Irish are the most from Notre Dame since 1997. That year seven Irish competed. Beside those honored including Allen Roberts and Kesling, the year's standout Engerhardt.
Notre Dame laxerates Denver and Air Force

By TIM CASEY
Sports Writer

The men's lacrosse team had a successful spring break, as it won all three games in which it played, to improve to 3-1 on the season. The 19th-ranked Irish faced up to their high expectations in victories over Denver, Air Force and Villanova.

The Irish faced rare back-to-back games two weekends ago at home to begin the break. They fell behind against Denver 2-0 within the first four minutes of Friday's contest, but came back to post an 8-5 lead at the half.

After halftime, the defense shined and dominated the third quarter, holding Denver scoreless for over 20 minutes. The Irish scored seven unanswered goals to begin the half and never looked back in the 17-9 victory.

The 17 goals scored was the highest total by an Irish team since 1993 when the Irish scored 20 against Ohio State.

Tom Glazel led the Irish attack with a career-high five goals and two assists, while Todd Ulrich scored two goals along with three assists. Ulrich's twin brother David added a goal and four assists. Goalknelper Kirk Adams made a career-high 19 saves in the contest.

Junior attackman Casey Pason, a first-year player, had his second career start and played solid, allowing six goals to go with seven saves.

Glazel was the name of the game for the Irish in Sunday's victory over Air Force.

The Falcons scored their last goal of the game with 12:07 remaining in the first quarter in a 16-2 Irish win. Glazel and David Ulrich continued their strong play with three goals and two assists, respectively. Brad Deen chipped in with three goals for the victors. For his stellar week, Glazel's performance of eight goals and two assists, Glazel was named co-player of the week in the Great Western Lacrosse League.

Assistant coach Tim Finlay was pleased with his team's performance.

"That was a great weekend. I don't think Air Force was as strong as usual but I think that Denver is a better team than usual. They've got a new coach and some good players. "Both of them were great wins for us because I thought we got better each game."

After an intense week of practice, the team headed to Pennsylvania this past Saturday to take on Villanova. The teams were separated by a close two-goal margin at 9-7 in the fourth quarter, before the Irish stormed ahead with three goals by Chris Deonse. Glazel and John Fantilina. As has been the case all season, Glazel led the Irish with a hat trick. Deonse added three goals, while David Ulrich had five assists for the second straight game. Howell made seven saves in the 14-10 victory.

Despite the victory, Finlay thought his team struggled against the Wildcats. "We felt as though we didn't play as well as we thought we could have. We still came away with a win and we're pretty happy about that," said Finlay.

The series of victories over the break showed the Irish's resilience on their road to a better team than usual. They've got a new coach and some good players," he said.

"Both of them were great wins for us because I thought we got better each game."

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Lady laxers are victorious in VA

By GENE BRTALIK
Sports Writer

By encouraging her team to use fundamentals, Coach Tracy Coyne was able to inspire the women's lacrosse team to come from behind and win a game over Boston College and Richmond.

The more exciting game was played on the other side of the Spiders of Richmond in which the Irish 12-01 needed double overtime to pull the victory. The team jumped out to a 3-0 lead in the first half but fell behind by the score of 9-5 early in the third quarter.

The Irish responded to the adversity by slowing the game down and taking control. Last 0-Shaughnessy's fifth goal of the game and 10th of the season put Notre Dame in front by a score of 12-11 with less than 30 seconds to play. Coach Coyne stressed that the team had to win the draw, but unfortunately Richmond won the draw, ran down the field and put it past Carrie Marsh to tie the game and force overtime.

The teams traded goals in the first overtime period and moved on to the sudden death overtime. In the second overtime, the Spiders controlled the draw and worked the ball around the offensive area until pressure from Kerry Callahan forced a Richmond player to make a bad pass that was picked up by Megan Schmitt. Schmitt passed the ball to Marshall who started the ball down the field. A Courtney Callahan shot went wide but Callahan picked it up. As she was checked, she passed the ball to Alixa Moser who found the back of the net and gave the Irish their first overtime victory.

The next day the team traveled to Fairfax, Va., and played Boston College in the season opener.

The Irish came out sluggish early in the game, falling behind by the score of 4-2. The Irish rallied though and headed into halftime with 6-6 tie.

The second half was all Irish as they outscored the Eagles 7-2. The key to the second half was that the team settled into its game and controlled the tempo.

Shaughnessy led the Irish with five goals, her last one putting the Irish up 10-7, while Callahan chipped in with two goals and five assists.

"This was a huge win for us," said Coyne "Once we got over our nervous tendencies we settled down and our defense came up big." According to Coyne, a main reason for the team's success in its first two games was its participation in two preseason tournaments.

In those tournaments, teams played highly competitive mini-games. One of the perks of the William and Mary tournament is that coaches could choose who they wanted to play against, and some of those highly competitive teams were choosing to play Notre Dame in scrimmages.

On Wednesday the team travels to Gannon looking to celebrate St. Patrick's Day with an Irish victory.
Notre Dame falls on home ice in CCHA quarterfinals

By TED BASSANI
Sports Writer

Throughout this past season, Notre Dame hockey had one main goal: To earn a home ice advantage for the first round of the CCHA playoffs.

To achieve that goal, the Irish needed a win in the regular season finale, as well as a Northern Michigan tie or loss. Notre Dame’s 4-2 win over the Miami Red Hawks, coupled with Northern Michigan’s 2-2 loss to Michigan, gave head coach Dave Poulin and his team the school’s first home ice birth since 1982.

Following a season in which the team lost just once at home, it seemed inevitable that the Irish would make their first appearance at the CCHA semifinals in Joe Louis Arena since 1982. All Notre Dame needed to advance in the playoffs was to win out of three games against fifth-seeded Northern Michigan, a team the Irish had not lost to since the Wildcats rejoined the CCHA in 1997.

But Notre Dame’s playoff dreams went up in smoke as the Wildcats managed to overcome a 1-0 series deficit by taking the final two games on Joyce Center ice.

In the first game, Notre Dame came out flying early as sophomore Dan Carlson’s first goal in 15 games gave his team an early lead. After stealing the puck at the Notre Dame blue line, Carlson streaked down the right wing boards past an NMU defender and into the offensive zone. Carlson beat Wildcat goalie Dan Hagussett one-on-one by going five-hole to give the Irish the lead just 1:19 into the contest.

Following Carlson’s goal, Notre Dame kept the pressure on. Following a turnover at center ice, Irish captain Brian Urick managed to sniff NMU’s defense at their blue line and beat Hagussett with a high backhander to give Notre Dame a 2-0 first period lead.

Eventually the Wildcats responded. NMU managed to tie the score with a first-period goal by Brad Frattaroli and a shorthanded goal by Tyson Holty at the end of the second period.

Following a tense third period, Notre Dame’s leaders came through in the clutch to pull out the win for the Irish. With just over two and a half minutes to go in the game, Urick sent a pass to sophomore Chad Chipchase for a quick one-timer from the left wing. When Chipchase’s shot rebounded to the right, Ben Simon was there to score the game-winning goal.

In the waning seconds, Irish goalie Steve Simon made his 28th save of the game to preserve the win with an acrobatic pad save to rob NMU center Brad Farrant on a potential tying goal.

After the game one win, the Irish stood just one home win away from the CCHA semifinals, but the Irish came out with their worst effort on home ice all season.

“We weren’t very good tonight at all,” head coach Dave Poulin said. “I thought the Irish committed the first of many turnovers in the defensive zone. Just 13 seconds into the game, Wildcat sniper J.P. Vigier pounced on the loose puck in the right circle and beat Forrest Karr with a high slap shot.”

The Irish entered the second period down by two goals, but things looked as if they might begin to turn around. Early in the second period, the Irish forced a turnover in the offensive zone, and Ben Simon converted sophomore Jay Kopischke’s pass into a goal, cutting the deficit to one.

The Irish controlled the game for the next few minutes, but were unable to tie the game when Brett Henseman’s shot banged off the post to keep Northern ahead by a goal.

From that point on, the game unravelled before Notre Dame’s eyes, as Huddy Smith’s power play goal midway through the second period turned the tide.

What ensued was a four-goal onslaught and an embarrassing 7-1 defeat by the Irish, forcing a third and deciding game.

“We had poor defensive zone coverage tonight,” said senior Benoit Coltrin. “Northern capitalized on our mistakes tonight and they made a lot of plays with guys getting second chances in front of the net that cost us the game.”

As expected, the game three showdown began with both teams playing intense hockey in the defensive zone, and the game went scoreless through the first period.

Early in the third period, however, the Irish snapped the perfect, tactict advantage in the faceoff circle to their advantage to open the scoring. After senior Brad Frattaroli won a draw in the Notre Dame zone, NMU defender Tyler Barabonoff got control of a rebound in the slot. He slid a pass to the right wing circle, which left wing Tyson Holty converted into the game’s first goal.

The game entered the final period tied at one after Benoit Coltrin scored Notre Dame’s first and only power play goal of the series on a slap shot from the point.

Early on in the third, Sean Connolly and Brian Urick each scored goals to make the score 2-2 with 14:23 to go.

Then, just as it had done in the opening minutes of game two, a defensive zone mistake by the Irish would lead to the game’s deciding goal. Notre Dame’s defense failed in an attempt to clear the puck around the boards. Wildcat freshman Chad Cheseur found the puck behind the net. He then slid a pass in front of defender Tyler Barabonoff for his first goal of the season, the one that most likely will end Notre Dame’s season: while Notre Dame could make an argument for at-large berth for the NCAA playoffs, it is not called for.

On Friday night at Joe Louis Arena, Northern Michigan will face the top-seeded Michigan State and Michigan will play Ohio State.

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Irish jump to fast start in break tournaments

By MATT OLIVA
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame softball team has survived through the toughest stretch of their schedule.

After thirteen games in ten days, the Irish come home with their best start in the last few years and look to build on their spring break performances.

"Overall I think we had a good trip," said head coach Liz Miller. "We played some excellent teams, and our offense was very good. Defensively we had some breakdowns and let games get away from us. Now we can come back and work on correcting those mistakes."

The Irish competed in two tournaments: The Hillenbrand Invitational held at the University of Arizona from March 5 to 7, and The National Invitational Softball Tournament in San Jose from the 12 to 14.

At the Hillenbrand Invitational, Notre Dame placed fourth with a 2-4 record. Both victories came against the University of Kansas. The first meeting was a 4-1 victory which gave sophomore pitcher Jennifer Sharron her fourth win.

The Irish and the Jayhawks went to ten innings in the second meeting. Freshmen shortstop Melanie Alkire hit two home runs to give the Irish the 6-4 victory and Sharron picked up her second win of the day.

They were unable, however, to defeat the host team. The Irish suffered two losses to second-ranked Arizona, including one in the semifinals. Their other two losses came at the hands of Texas Tech and LSU on the tournament's first day.

In San Jose, the Irish faced a little better with an overall 3-3 record. After dropping their first two games against UC-Santa Barbara and California, the Irish defeated North Carolina 2-1 Friday night.

On Saturday, Sharron and senior Angela Bessolo both fired complete-game one-hitters as the Irish defeated Northern Illinois 5-0 and North Carolina 2-0. Sharron struck-out a career high 13 batters in her victory against the Huskies.

The Irish dropped their consolation game against 20th ranked Nebraska 3-0. The loss, in which the Irish managed only six hits, moved their record to 12-10 on the season. It is their best start since the 1996 team started 14-10.

Many mistakes were a result of Notre Dame's inability to practice outside during February. Every team the Irish have faced have been practicing outside since the beginning of the season.

Coach Miller attributes most of the early season success to the teams pitching and hitting. Offensively, the Irish have already doubled their home-run total from a year ago. Alkire, senior captain Kris McCleary and sophomore Lizzy Lemire have begun strong offensively. Miller expects them to continue hitting the ball well.

The Irish will play five regional games before they begin the Big East season with an April 3 home opener against Pittsburgh.

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Irish capture ‘classic’ victory

By BILL HART

Junior shortstop Marty Kusma matched a career high with 10 strikeouts in eight innings.

After both sides scored two runs each in the first, the Irish took an early lead after a one-out punt single and stolen base by freshman shortstop Steve Stanley. Bocco third baseman Andrew Bozydor followed with a walk and a single by Alex Proehl brought Stanley home.

Junior pitcher Kevin Lendy pitched the game away on a three-run sixth, which included a two-run double by junior leftfielder Jeff Folker and an opposite-field single by first baseman Ben Portzline.

On Thursday, Notre Dame faced Creighton, who defeated the Irish 8-5 to claim the 1997 Classic. Aaron Heilman put on a tremendous show, tossing 11 strikeouts and posting the first complete game of his career. But it was the offense that provided the drama, rallying for four runs in the eighth and one in the ninth to pick up the 5-4 victory.

Stanley started the offense again in the eighth with a punt single, followed by a by a bunt and an attempted sacrifice bunt by Portzline to get the second-base steal situation with no outs.

Junior shortstop Brandt Ust then hit a double to center field to score two runs, followed by two successive sacrifice flies to tie the game. The Irish won it in the ninth on a single by Portzline.

Thanking to Heilman’s performance in the first game on Creighton, he was named tournament MVP. Four other players, Stanley, Portzline, Bozydor and Kusma, joined him on the 13-player all-tournament team.

“I knew Creighton was a good team,” Heilman said. “My mindset going into the game was just to try to get in win and keep them close enough to rally when they did.”

But the Creighton win was not the only rally of the game when, as Notre Dame pulled a come-from-behind victory against St. Mary’s, the Irish had a chance to win.

The game was scoreless through seven when the Irish scored three runs. The Raiders tied the game with two runs in sacrifice bunt by Portzline in the eighth, but rightfielder Drew Hohl that the visitors down to everyone win of his career.

In the bottom of the inning, junior leftfielder Jeff Folker drove a double ahead walk in the eighth, then mused to second on a bunt by Stanley. Bozydor advanced the runner with a groundout and Portzline drew a walk to load the bases for a hit in right field, scoring Portzline.

The win led to the championship rematch Saturday against Creighton, who beat Penn State to advance to the title game. The Buckeyes run out of gas, however, falling 5-3 to give the Irish the victory.

The hosts got all the offense they needed in a three-run first inning, following by one run in the second to put the game away. In the second, freshman Paul O’Connor hit a leadoff double to deep center field which sophomore rightfielder Ben Cooke followed by an attempted sacrifice bunt. Stanley then hit a groundout to score the eventual game-winner.

Creighton made things interesting with a one-out, bases-loaded situation in the top of the ninth. But the Irish were only able to get one run across before junior rightfielder John Corbin delivered a hit in the season.

With the tournament, the Irish raise their winning streak to five games and improve their record to 8-5. The Irish team will return to action on Saturday when they host a doubleheader to start the Big East season with a three-game series against Marquette.

“We’ve played some pretty tough games against tough teams, but we’ve managed to come up strong as a team and grow strong together,” Heilman said.

Women’s tennis

ND serves up set of wins over break

By WES JACOBS

The Notre Dame women’s tennis team scored two of three top-15 dual meets during spring break. The Fighting Irish are 2-1 against the nation’s top 15 teams.

The matches include a 7-0 sweep over Kansas on March 10, a victory over No. 15 Wake Forest 7-2 and Kansas 8-1, and losing to Arizona State 8-1 in the conference opener.

The Irish improved their overall record to nine wins and five losses, and upped the team’s national ranking from No. 16 to No. 13.

“We feel good about the week, especially since we went really good wins,” said Alli Costello, a sophomore.

Bunting Beagie Forest was great, and so was Kansas, especially since we lost to them last year.”

Despite the uneven competition of the meet, a closer look would show that each of the three teams could have gone either way.

Against Wake Forest last Saturday, the score was three matches to win in favor of the Irish with one singles match left.

Now to the Irish win was Ken Guy at No. 6 singles, and she had the pressure of maintaining the Irish lead against Lea Miller before the doubles match ensued.

After Miller pulled even to match up, five games to three in the third set, Guy nearly gave Miller the opportunity to come in anything up. Miller came back from 5-3 down, saved a match point at 5-4 and three more match points at 6-5 before Guy closed out the match for a 4-2 Notre Dame lead.

“Ken’s match really gave us momentum. Things could have been much different points in the doubles, but we did well against three, instead of being up 4-2,” Coach Jay Lunderlack.

Following her lone win, she played on pairs off the energy and swept the doubles matches with Michelle Dasso and Hall clinching the win with an 8-3 over Kansas and Mariah Verban at No. 1 doubles.

Becky Varnum and Mariella Velaso then rolled from 0-3 and 1-4 to beat Aaron Haze and L. We had him 8-5 at No. 2 doubles. Kelly Zalinski and Lindsey Green finished off the No. 9 Demon Deacons, beating Jackie Houlihan and Lea Miller at No. 3 doubles.

The game Notre Dame beat a team ranked higher than ninth came in 1996 when Irish edged fifth-ranked Texas 5-4.

Following the impressive win, Notre Dame traveled to sunny Arizona, where the Irish played in its first outdoor match of the year. The Irish finished all day against a strong Sun Devil team.

Following the frustrating 0-7 loss, players and coaches agreed that playing Arizona was a different story.

“Our first outdoor match is usually a tough one. Playing as good a team as Arizona State only made it harder for us,” Stanley said. “But overall, we’ll have some more opportunities to play outside, because of the weather.

“I have hope that Miami is this year’s site of the NCAA tournament. If Notre Dame hopes to compete with the likes of Alabama, Florida, and Georgia players will need to get used to the different conditions.

“Our whole team was worn, and we just couldn’t get in a groove. The combination of the sun and wind made it a difficult task. It was really disappointing going into such a week and not getting a win, but we’ll just come back stronger and try our best in 5-4 following the win.

Notre Dame completed the week off in style, though, coming back strong and beating Kansas 7-0.

The senior Hall improved to 12-2 in dual matches with a 6-3, 6-4, 6-1 victory over Elyse Partzline.

Laskey and Zalinski beat Kansas’ No. 16-ranked Liesl Sell 6-3, 6-0, 6-4 at No. 1 singles.

Velaso and Velasquez won the No. 2 double over Sun Devils’ Chat and 3-4 and doubles for the Irish.

Kathy Zalinski held off a tough game in 6-3, 6-2, 7-5 win at No. 3 singles for the Irish.

Kansas’ only freshman standout Varnum, who was the recipient of a 6-1, 6-1 drubbing by ASU’s Kelly Girardino.

The Sun Devils won five of six singles and swept the highest ranking doubles.

Notre Dame won at No. 2 singles for the only point for the Irish. Hall clinched the victory for No. 6 doubles at No. 2 singles for her second win in as many weeks, after also beating her at the Riviera All-American tournament.

Arizona State won four singles matches, including an exciting win for 64th-ranked Allison Brackman for No. 2 doubles over 11th-ranked Michelle Dasso at No. 1 single.

The Sun Devils also won a three-set match at No. 3 singles with Katy Proehl and a win on the first doubles, with Katy Proehl and

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10 Irish fencers qualify for championships

By MIKE CONNOLLY
Sports Editor

In the most pressure-packed meet to date, the Notre Dame fencers showed no signs of stress as they qualified the maximum 10 fencers for the NCAA Championships.

The women’s team is represented by familiar faces as all four qualifiers were All-Americans last year. “Having this four of us fence again, knowing how we fence, is good for the team,” junior epeeist Magda Krol said. “It will make up for some of the newcomers on the men’s side. It is difficult for newcomers to learn the system, so our experience should make up for that.”

Krol and Nicole Mustilli both continued their excellent seasons for the Irish as they finished second and fifth respectively on the weekend.

Mustilli, the senior captain of the squad, led the team in victories with 73, coupled with only 11 losses. Her .869 winning percentage is fifth all-time for a single season. She finished her career with 230 career epee wins, good for that category’s all-time second best.

Recently, Mustilli captured first place both at the Midwest Intercollegiate Conference Championships and the NCAA Midwest Qualifiers.

Krol, a junior, is making her third appearance at NCAAs. She earned second team All-American honors as a sophomore following her freshman campaign in which she captured the epee individual championship. Krol finished second on the team in victories with 55 and currently stands in third place in career epee wins.

Kersten Ferguson made a strong showing finishing 11th.

Myriah Brown and Sara Walsh both qualified as foilists by posting fifth and fourth place finishes respectively. Brown and Walsh have now qualified for four straight NCAAs and have earned All-American honors in three previous trips.

Brown had 71 victories on the year. Her 291 career foil wins easily surpassed Mindi Kalogera’s previous record of 248 to vault her into first place.

Walsh’s 45 wins and single defeat on the year gave her a .978 winning percentage. She raised her career winning percentage to .978 second all-time.

Gina Couri and Nicole Paulina both closed out successful careers with ninth and eighth-place finishes respectively.

Paulina captured the 1999 foil team and finished the year with 64 victories. Her 216 career wins placed her fifth in all wins.

Senior captain Stephane Aureil and junior Charles Hayes qualified for the men’s foil team. Aureil has qualified for the past two NCAA’s but has yet to earn All-American honors.

Aureil’s 44 wins on the year raised his career record to 154-53. He finishes his Irish career tied for ninth on all-time wins list.

Hayes had his best weekend of the year, earning second place in the foil championship but just missing the title in a loss to Wayne State’s David Hayn in a fence-off.

James Gaither continued to shock the fencing world as he captured his second first-place finish in as many weeks. Gaither and freshman Brian Casey, who finished second, will represent the Irish at the NCAAs.

All-American epeeist C.J. Jackson saw his excellent career come to an end as he finished fifth. Jackson closes his career with 173 wins, fifth all-time.

Luke La Valle qualified to defend his 1998 sabre title by finishing fourth at the Midwest Regionals. He will face some of his stiffest competition from teammate Gaber Szell, who finished first at the Regionals.

La Valle finished his Irish career with 200 wins, second all-time. Szell’s 204 wins this season are the fourth-most-ever by an Irish sabreur.

The Irish are confident that they can return to the top this year with a win over Penn State. “We have improved since the last time we faced them,” Krol said. “We have had tough dual meets and good competition that have caused us to improve.”

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Junior epeeist Magda Krol (right) qualified for the NCAA Championships to be held in Waltham, Mass.
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I can't even think about that now," Majerus said. "If some­
body asked me to pick between heaven and hell, I'd choose
heaven, but a job offer is the last thing I'm thinking about."
Majerus has close ties to the Midwest. He was born in
Sheboygan, Wis., and coached at Marquette University and
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Majerus has
returns. He has averaged 26

wins per season over the last
nine years.

Other names on the list are
top Duke assistant Chin Snyder,
Florida coach Billy Donovan
and Xavier coach Skip Proser.

Athletic director Michael
Wadsworth hopes to find a
coach within three weeks.

"At this time, I would hope to
be able to name a successor at
some point prior to the spring

Proser has won at least 20
games in his first five seasons
at Xavier and has accumulated
a 118-57 record.

When the New Jersey Nets
fired head coach John Calipari,
another name flew into the
growing ring of rumored can­
didates. Calipari had quite a run
at UMass before being drawn to
the NBA. After struggling with
the Nets, he may be ready to
return to college ball.

John Paxson is another name
to knock around the dining hall
restaurant. Would the former Irish
and Bulls star enjoy beginning
his coaching career any
more than his alma mater?

After this season's Cinderella
run, Southwest Missouri State's
Steve Alford will probably be
looking to take a dive into a
bigger pool.

Along with the plethora of
names there are also plenty of
coaching jobs available. Saint
Louis University, San Diego
State, Vanderbilt, Baylor and
Iowa will all be looking for new
coaches next year.

Regardless of the new coach's
name, he will discover that
MacLeod left the Irish cupboard
loaded.

Who do you want to see as the next
men's basketball coach? Paxson?
Majerus? Alford? Calipari? Write to
the Observer and tell us.

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1999 is not ‘Sweet’: Irish fall to Tigers, 74-64

Observer Staff Report

The luck of the Irish finally ran out. On a two-year streak of making the Sweet 16, the highest-ranked Notre Dame team in school history was unable to match its highest-ever NCAA tournament finish — a Final Four appearance in 1997.

Monday night’s 74-64 loss to the LSU Tigers in the tournament’s second round ended the Irish season.

Notre Dame, 26-5 on the season, has been just 2-2 since losing starting point guard Niele Ivey in the semifinals of the Big East tournament. Seeded fifth by the NCAA committee, the Irish lost home-court advantage in the first two rounds, playing both NCAA tournament contests in Louisiana.

Coach Muffet McGraw’s squad barely advanced past the first round with a 61-57 win over St. Mary’s (Calif.), coming behind from a five-point deficit in the final two minutes. Often stating that this year’s squad was her best, McGraw was unable hold on to a four-point lead at 15:28 in the second half against the Tigers.

The Irish opened the second half with a 10-0 run to take the 42-38 lead. The Irish extended the lead to 59-51 minutes later on a near-perfect 85 percent shooting during the run.

But the Tigers stole Notre Dame’s come-from-behind storyline this time around. Latasha Oyvere scored nine points in the first half and six minutes before April Brown and Katrina Hibbert both scored three-pointers to script a 15-2 run.

Dorsey landed a career-best five treys in the game and totaled a game-high 24 points. Hibbert followed for the Tigers with 15, tournament.

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Men’s Basketball

MacLeod ‘resigns’ after eight seasons

By JOEY CAVATO JR.
Senior Sports Writer

Many Irish basketball fans have called for the resignation of Coach Majerus, especially during last season when he posted a 106-124 record.

But we as a team were able to make major contributions to the growth of Notre Dame basketball,” MacLeod said.

“John always has been an exemplary representative of the University,” athletic director Michael Wadsworth said. “I appreciate all that he and his staff have done for the program and I thanked him for that.”

Despite the seemingly annual, end-of-the-season rumor mill that surrounded MacLeod’s job stability, the players were still surprised when MacLeod informed them of his resignation by telephone.

“I was pretty shocked,” Jimmy Dillon said. “It’s been a rumor for so long that none of us paid any attention to it. I didn’t think anything was going to happen. He called and spoke to me. It came as a pretty big surprise.”

MacLeod’s best season came during his first with the Irish, 1991-92. Notre Dame finished 18-15 and lost the National Invitation Tournament championship game.

In 1996-97, MacLeod landed another stellar season when he won the Big East Coach of the Year. That year the Irish went 16-14 and advanced to the quarterfinals of the NIT.

Without a head coach, the current Irish players find themselves unsure of the direction of the program. Wadsworth did say that he wanted to hire a new coach before the spring-retroactivating signing date of April 7.

“It’s a step down because we’re losing the coach,” Dillon said. “Everybody’s going to be at a standstill for a while to see who’s going to come in and how they’re going to react to the new coach. We’re just waiting patiently to see what happens.”

With three starters including the top two scorers, Troy Murphy and David Graves, the new coach will have plenty of talented players.

“I think everything is in place for Notre Dame to make a positive move,” MacLeod said. “I appreciate the opportunity work here at Notre Dame and I wish the best for the young men who are part of the program.”

Majerus heads list of potential new Irish coaches

By JOEY CAVATO JR.
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Now the fun begins. Normally during late March Notre Dame fans are forced to talk about other school’s basketball teams. Now the hottest question around campus aside from “How was your break?” is “Who do you think it’s going to be?”

With John MacLeod’s resignation last Tuesday, new coaches’ names have popped up more than people with fresh suntans. Utah’s Rick Majerus seems to be the most popular rumor.

WNNU-TV reported over the weekend that Majerus will be in town this week to discuss the employment possibility and that several weeks ago Majerus and Notre Dame officials had a “get to know you session” over the phone.

Majerus was tight-lipped after his squad’s loss to Miami of Ohio on Sunday.