Officers bid adieu to the old and welcome in the new

Woo: Glass ceiling still remains

By ANNE MARIE MATTINGLY
Assistant News Editor

Despite great strides in the last few decades, the proverbial glass ceiling has not yet been broken, said Carolyn Woo, dean of the College of Business Administration, on Wednesday in her speech "Women in Leadership: Is the Glass Ceiling Broken?" The glass ceiling is not quite shattered," she said, expressing the sentiment that women leaders in business and management often experience the inability to rise above a certain level of responsibility. "It feels very real."

Woo cited statistics claiming that within the next five years women will make up 50 percent of the workforce. At present, however, the top five positions in 25 percent of corporations are held by men, and in 15 percent of businesses, women are not part of the 12 to 15 people who comprise boards of directors, Woo said. She also said that even in comparable jobs, women do not receive equal pay.

"If you look at officers’ salaries there’s still a differential," she said. "It’s about 68 cents to the dollar ... it’s getting better, but if we take a snapshot at this point in time, there’s still a disparity." Woo attributed the male monopoly in some high-ranking companies to a number of factors. The first, she said, is women’s style, explaining that women are perceived as supportive, empathetic, nurturing and detail-oriented.

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DEAN, COLLEGE OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

and often require risk-taking and making hard choices. The perception of women works against them in obtaining these types of jobs, Woo said. "There’s a perception that women don’t handle tough decisions as well as men," she said, describing line positions as jobs in which an employee must face numerical data on a regular basis to determine if goals are being met.

"Staff positions, unlike line positions, do not require this constant accountabil-
ity, explained Woo. She described these positions as support jobs and listed the fields of public relations, human resource management, technical support and accounting as examples.

"Women tend to go into staff functions and when they are in leadership positions, it’s in staff positions," she said. "They are further away from where the heat is."

Different networking styles also contribute to the glass ceiling problem, said Woo. "Women are very good at developing their internal networks," she said, explaining that women develop strong

Teach-in demands Catholic solutions to sweatshop problems

By CHRISTINE KRALY
Assistant News Editor

Notre Dame wants to make sure its apparel is produced in a manner "consistent with the Catholic Church’s teachings," said sweatshop task force chairman William Hoye at the No Sweat Teach-in Wednesday night.

"There is absolutely no reason we can’t pressure these companies [into raising the wages]," he said. The living wage of a laborer, according to the speakers, is a wage on which a worker would be able to maintain a stable living. The difficulty in maintaining a living wage, said Hoye, is that the cost of living differs in various countries where Notre Dame apparel is manufactured. This can lead to problems in underpaying workers.

Notre Dame will be monitoring not only the living wages of labor workers, but also their minimum ages and safe working conditions, as a new member of the Fair Labor Association. The group, consisting of 16 other colleges including Duke and
Intellectual Impotence

When it comes to discussing political issues, I've always considered myself fair. I make every effort to approach each debate and to honestly try to clarify points, but recently I've come to realize that I may be too approachable. I've always considered this a trait of my personality—being someone who can get along with others. However, I've also come to realize that this can sometimes cause problems.

Katie Miller

STANFORD UNIVERSITY

Health care eliminates 2,000 jobs

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O2 INSIDE COLUMN

PHILADELPHIA

Engaging in chants of "What do we want? Beer! When do we want it? Now!" hundreds of approximately 600 and 1,000 students gathered on campus Tuesday afternoon to protest the recent decisions made by the administration regarding the University's abortion policy. The predominantly undergraduate protesters—who chanted and held up signs comparing the administration to Soviet Russia—and its new policies to Pre-embolization were enthusiastic in expressing their disapproval of the implementation last Thursday of new temporary restrictions that ban abortion. After registering at registered undergraduate events. "Take away my alcohol, I'll take you to my session," one student's sign read. Another student challenged police, saying, "Give me, I'm sober," while another declared, "I'm drunk right now!" The afternoon had the atmosphere of an outdoor funeral party, as music blasted from speakers.

Sunday, April 1, 1999

NORMAN, Okla.

Srdjan and Bojan Kalajdzic are able to communicate with friends and family in their native Serbia even though the area is engulfed in war and violence. Srdjan, an architecture graduate student, and Bojan, a business administration sophomore, said that without e-mail they probably could not know what the situation was in their hometowns.

"Certainly judged by the American standards, the two of us are currently very poor," Srdjan Kalajdzic said. "We can't have any financial support from home because of the war, and what­ever we make is what we make." 

"Unfortunately, that would never be enough for us to make daily phone calls to Serbia. So e-mail and Internet allow us to do miraculous things and to be well informed about the current situation of our family and in our country," said Bojan Kalajdzic.

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Conlon named editor of leading business management journal

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of the two journals published by the Academy and ranked in the top 20 among the 343 journals most interested in business, according to Social Science Citation Index Journal. Its mission is to be the outlet of choice for the publication of theory in the field of management.

Conlon joined the University faculty in 1992 after previously teaching and conducting research at the University of Iowa and the Georgia Institute of Technology.

He earned a bachelor’s degree in psychology from Pennsylvania State University in 1972 and master’s and doctoral degrees in organizational behavior from Carnegie Mellon University in 1975 and 1977, respectively.

Conlon specializes in the study of organizational behavior, organizational design, decision-making and conflict management.

The Observer wishes you a happy and safe Easter weekend.

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Harvard, was formed by the Apparel Industry Partnership. The AIF, appointed by President Clinton, regulates sweatshop conditions in the U.S. and abroad. "I don't know how the FLA will work because it hasn't really started yet," said Williams. "Let's see how it works out."

Part of the FLA's mission to end unfair labor practices includes regular inspections of factories and allowing certain workers the right to organize. The group, however, does not enforce a "living wage" for manufacturing companies. The FLA is made up of colleges and universities and also human rights organizations and union groups, all working to abolish sweatshop labor. "We find it [the FLA] to be a credible process," said Hoye, who stressed the importance of recognizing human rights groups as fellow members.

One demand the University is voicing through the FLA is full disclosure of all the manufacturers producing Notre Dame apparel. Without this information, monitoring sweatshop labor is nearly impossible.

A concern about disclosure, according to Hoye, is that it could put students traveling abroad to manufacturing sites in danger. To date, no known licensee has been terminated from manufacturing Notre Dame apparel. Notre Dame is also participating in the American Apparel Manufacturers Association, which is a group aimed at certifying companies within the legal confines of the government's labor laws. The University, said Hoye, was the first U.S. university to establish a code of conduct for its licensees and may be the only school involved in both the FLA and AAMA.

Estimated costs for Notre Dame's sweatshop monitoring programs are around $75,000. "A shirt we [the University] sell for $20 probably costs us $2," said Williams, adding that consumers "really ought to use that consumer power to force manufacturers to improve working conditions." "If you encourage [the consumers] to fight," he said, "it has to come from you.

"It is your power," said Davis, "we are going to be a panacea," said Hoye. "It's not going to be perfect but the University is struggling with the major issues."

"Have we gone far enough? No," he said, "can we go farther? Yes."

"Unless you visit these countries, you have no sense of how well we are, and how poor they are," said Williams.

"This is not a Democratic cause or a Republican cause," he said. "This human cause, and I think everybody can agree on that.

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relationships with co-workers, "but women are not very good with external networking."

To the contrary, men are better at developing relationships with outside contacts like bankers, investors and members of the chamber of commerce, according to Woo, who noted that these types of contacts are more important as one moves up the corporate ladder.

She also attributed the lack of female representation in top positions to the fact that women are socialized differently than men from an early age. "Women are really brought up to please," she said, noting that women tend to be more concerned about earning others' approval and more fearful of rejection than their male counterparts. "Approval affirmation and so on is very important.

Women seeking top positions also have to confront what Woo termed the work/life balance, and the desire to place more emphasis on the latter has dissuaded some from pursuing advanced degrees and high-ranking jobs.

"Women still have to make decisions about where their families fit in all this," she said, noting that the number of female MBA students has fallen in recent years. "Where do children, family, work, professional and personal satisfaction all fit together?"

Woo also emphasized that when today's women bump into the glass ceiling they should get in touch with their own talents and they should not give up.

"You will shortchange yourself if you get so upset with the one door that is closed to you that you can't get excited about all the other doors that are open to you," she said.

Instead, she said, the solution may be to change the way women perceive themselves. "What is the worth of someone else's approval? In the end of it, it's about the ability to take risks and to go into a situation," she said. "Part of learning to be tough is learning to be measured. When you don't make your numbers, you don't die, crumble and fade away. There's another month to show what you can do.

Woo joined the Notre Dame faculty in 1997. Prior to her work at the University she served as the associate vice president of Academic Affairs at Purdue University. She has received numerous awards in various areas of education.

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NATO attacks, pledges 'no sanctuary'

ASSOCIATED PRESS

BELGRADE

Widening its air assault on Yugoslavia, NATO pounded targets Wednesday near a major Yugoslav city and vowed there would be "no sanctuary" for Yugoslav forces trying to rid Kosovo of ethnic Albanians.

With the air campaign against President Slobodan Milosevic's forces entering its second week, Western officials acknowledged that NATO's missiles and bombs had so far failed to stop Belgrade's offensive in the province.

Russia bucked its disapp­roval of the NATO campaign by sending a warship to the Mediterranean and putting other warships on standby. While maintaining its position, Russia has said it would not intervene militarily.

NATO warships firing cruise missiles at Yugoslavia were deployed in the Adriatic Sea, off the Mediterranean.

With hints from Western diplomats that NATO bombs and missiles could soon be raining down on the Yugoslav capital of Belgrade, NATO spokesman Jamie Shea reiterated on Wednesday that the alliance's insistence that Yugoslav security forces are bent on purging Kosovo of both ethnic Albanians and their culture.

Shea said Yugoslav forces were destroying archives including property deeds, marriage licenses, bibles and financial records.

"This is a kind of Orwellian scenario of attempting to deprive a people and a culture of the sense of past and the sense of identity on which it depends," Shea said.

The Yugoslav war crimes tribunal said Wednesday it had indicted Serb paramilit­ary leader Zelko Raznatovic for Bosnian war-era atrocities — an announcement seen as a warning to Milosevic about what legal action awaits him and other Yugoslavs for their actions in Kosovo.

Thousands more refugees from the province poured across the frontier Wednesday into neighboring countries that are already overwhelmed by Kosovar Albanians who have fled their homes since the NATO bombing began March 24.

Long lines of refugees formed at the borders of both Macedonia and Montenegro, where despatching a frigate to the

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forested mountains to converge on Yugoslavia and put pressure on Belgrade.

Fifteen villagers have been charged with stabbing and stoning to death a young couple who ran off together and refused to disavow their ties, a newspaper reported Wednesday.

The couple was killed Tuesday and their bod­ies were dragged in a cremation ground and set on fire outside the village of Sopocani in the northern Indian state of Haryana, about 120 miles west of New Delhi. Devinder and Nirmala, 17, ran away last week and sought shelter in the house of a relative, the news­paper said. The man repeatedly threatened his family, pressured them to split up and return to their previous homes. When Devinder refused to leave Nirmala, the matter was put before the village council. Raj was summoned to a village meeting and, with approval of his family, beaten to death with stones and sticks in front of hundreds of people. Afterwards, Nirmala was repeatedly stabbed.

Lewinsky investigation bill totals $6 million

WASHINGTON

Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr spent more than $6 million on the Monica Lewinsky scandal, and the independent investi­gation of President Clinton is becoming the most expensive in history, congressional officials reported Wednesday. The latest fig­ures, for the six-month period ending Sept. 30, 1998, bring the total cost of Starr's 4 1/2-year inquiry so far to nearly $40 million. Star­r replaced Robert Fiske, who spent $5 million. The most expensive independent counsel investigation to date was Lawrence Walsh's $48.5 million, seven-year probe of the Reagan administration regarding its arms-for­bogey deals with Iran and its secret war against the communist-led government of Nicaragua. Reports by the General Accounting Office show that 300 of Starr's 1,000 agents were spending $2 million a month.

The Independent Counsel Office said that 80 of the 192 top administration officials during the Clinton era now face $76 million in legal fees and costs.

STRANDS OF DNA might someday be used as wires in computer chips and transistors, a study of Han-Wook Kim and Christian Schonenberger of the University of Basel in Switzerland found. DNA conducts electricity and is a good semiconductor. A semiconductor carries electricity better than an insulator but not as well as a conductor like copper. If DNA strands could be made with a switch to turn the current flowing through them on and off, they could be used to build extremely tiny electrical devices, the researchers believe. But the cost of metallic wires that can be made as small as or regular as DNA strands.

Missile talks with North Korea fail

ASSOCIATED PRESS

SEOUL

Eleven hours of "intensive" talks have failed to convince North Korea to accept a U.S. demand to stop developing and exporting missiles, American negotiators said Wednesday.

"We had frank discussions ... but I can't say we have made any break­through," said Robert Einhorn, who headed a U.S. delegation in two days of missile talks with North Korean officials that ended Tuesday.

Einhorn, U.S. deputy assistant se­cretary of state for political and mili­tary affairs, flew in late Tuesday to begin North Korean talks that ended Tuesday's North Korean officials.

In Pyongyang, Einhorn said he held "intensive, serious talks" with North Korean officials.

While maintaining their position, North Korean officials agreed in principle to hold another round of talks, he said.

The venue and date of the next talks, the fifth since 1996, will be decided through consultations between U.S. and North Korean diplomats assigned to the United Nations in New York, Einhorn said.

He identified North Korea as the world's No. 1 exporter of missile equipment and technology.

North Korea, he said, provided Pakistan and Iran with missile equipment. Einhorn added, that "enabled those countries to test-fire medium-range missiles last year.

Einhorn said he warned North Korean officials that further missile tests and exports would hamper their hope of improving ties with the United States.

"Developing, producing, deploying and testing missiles can threaten U.S. and U.S. armed forces and can eventually threaten the United States is inconsistent with improving ties with the United States," he said.

North Korea said Wednesday it will never change its missile policy under pressure from the United States.

It is North Korea's "legitimate right of self-defense to develop, test and produce missiles by its own efforts to defend the security of the country," foreign ministry officials said Thursday.

"The declaration on the part of the United States was an energy-consuming act of constant threats to it with enormous nuclear missiles and weapons of mass destruction," a North Korean foreign Ministry spokesman said.
Bush, Gore lead race in search of presidential campaign funds

WASHINGTON

Texas governor George Bush and vice president Al Gore have jumped out to big fund-raising leads in their respective party's presidential battle, both hauling in dollars far faster than Bush’s father did in 1987, in the last open race for the White House.

Gore has raised at least $7 million so far for this year for his bid for the Democratic nomination, aides close to his campaign told The Associated Press. Gore has tapped more than 40,000 donors, 77 percent of whom gave less than $200 each, said the aides, who expect the final total is double the $3 million he expected to report the week in Wednesday.

The vice president’s total is double the expected $3 million-plus that his lone Democratic challenger, former senator and professional basketball star Bill Bradley, is considering forgoing federal financing provided to presidential candidates in the primary.

Bush told The Associated Press last week that he did not expect to host a single fund-raiser yet at either.

There was money was still rolling out to his campaign told The Associated Press. Gore has had four fund-raising events so far, said. Gore has raised at least $7 million so far this quarter of 1999 with a gain of 604.73 points, or 0.6 percent.

Broader stock indicators fell in the final hour as tech­ nology shares trimmed trimmed earlier gains.

The Standard & Poor’s 500 index lost 14.38 points to close at 1,286.37, and the technol­ ogy-heavy Nasdaq composite index fell 18.89 to 2,461.40 after flirting with a new high early in the day.

Dow component IBM, at one point up 2 1/16, closed down 1 5/16 at 177 1/4. In Nasdaq trading, Dell ended up at 1 4/6, after trading as high as 42 1/4. But Internet stocks held up well, with America Online added 2 7/12 to 172 3/16.

Investors were adjusting their holdings ahead of the long weekend. Bryan Piskorski, a market analyst at Prudential Securities, said they were “just tired, tired, tired,” after pushing the Dow industrials to their first close above 10,000 on March 11.

Piskorski said investors were also concerned about Friday’s release of March unemployment data, especially because the stock market will be closed that day in obser­ vance of Good Friday.

There is widespread fear that a drop in the unemployment rate will cause interest rates to rise, as they did Wednesday following strong economic reports. The yield on the 30-year Treasury rose to 5.62 per­ cent from 5.58 late Tuesday.

Bond prices fell after a report from the Purchasing Management Association of Chicago showing manufactur­ ing strengthened in the Midwest during March. The regional report is often consid­ ered a precursor of the nation’s purchasing managers’ report due out Thursday.

You had a bit of a reaction in the bond market to the Chicago report,” said Alan Skranka, chief market strate­ gist at Edward Jones of St. Louis, “although I think the sil­ ver lining is that the economy is still strong. What the stock market should recognize is that ultimately, the strength of the economy will lead to stronger corporate profits.”

But stocks were still follow­ ing the trend of most stocks, which is higher.

The Dow Jones industrial average fell 127.10, or by 1.3 percent, to 9,786.16. The Dow opened higher, climbing 88.40 to 10,002.06 in the first hour of trading, but quickly fell back. Despite the decline Wednesday, the average of 30 blue-chip stocks ended the first quarter of 1999 with a gain of 604.73 points, or 0.6 percent.

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Clinton plans airlift for ethnic refugees

WASHINGTON

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"Additional, the U.S. Agency for International Development sent a disaster relief team to Albania to assess the growing humanitarian crisis, Lockhart said.

As NATO airstrike continued for an eighth consecutive night, Bacon said it appears allied forces struck several Serb tanks and other heavily armed vehicles for the first time as commanders began concentrating more on stopping the Serb assault on Kosovars.

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"I am convinced that if we are to get on the right side of the world revolution, we as a nation must undergo a radical revolution of values. We must rapidly begin the shift from a 'thing-oriented' society to a 'person-oriented' society. When machines and computers, profit motives and property rights are considered more important than people, the giant triplets of racism, materialism, and militarism are incapable of being conquered."

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First Lady hopes tour erases negative stereotypes

Associated Press

MAHRAKCH

Greeted with reverence and adulation, Hillary Rodham Clinton proclaimed her tour of North Africa a welcome escape and a success for U.S.-Arab relations.

"I always like getting away from Washington," the first lady said Wednesday as she and her daughter Chelsea wrapped up their 12-day tour-

part sightseeing, part U.S.

diplomacy— through Egypt, Tunisia and Morocco.

"I hope for our country this

has also been a trip that has

helped to move the agenda for­

ward as to how we relate to

people in this region of the

world," the first lady said in a

brief news conference.

Particularly, she said she

hoped her tour helped to

erase the "stereotypes and

negative images" that some

Arabs and Americans harbor

toward one another.

Preparing to depart Thursday for Washington, Clinton sounded reluctant to face decisions about whether to

seek the Democratic nomina­

tion for Senate in New York in

2000.

"I've really tried to put

out of my mind the last 10 days," she said.

She focused instead on the

headlines at hand, joining

Western leaders in condemning

Yugoslav President Slobodan

Milošević for the Serbs' treat­

ment of ethnic Albanians in

Kosovo.

But her husband did not

mind musing on what the

responsibilities of a husband of

a senator might be.

"I don't know, but I am will­

ing to fulfill them," President

Clinton said with a laugh dur­

ing an interview with CBS

anchor Dan Rather that

focused largely on the crisis in

Kosovo. "You know, I would fill

in at dinners, make speeches

when she had to vote. I'd be

the main caseworker at the

New York state office. I'd do

whatever I was asked to."

The first lady said she's been

"horrified" by the news she has

seen on TV from Kosovo and

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Dreaming in Black and White

Mel Tardy

Maybe it was an unfair question, but it was asked of me nevertheless. One day during a visit with a relative, the conversation revolved around the tendency of some African-American men to date Caucasian women. One of the women in the room eventually came up to me, looked me straight in the eye and asked me, "Be honest. If you had a choice between a black woman and a white woman, and everything else about them was totally equal, which one would you choose?"

My eyes met hers for a four-second pause and then shot up to the left as I prepared my answer. "I just don't know, I don't have a preference. I'd have to get to know them both as individuals first."

From that moment on, I've always known which way eyes go when people lie — up and to the left. Quite frankly, the question taught me a lesson. I truly wanted to say what she wanted to know, that if such a thing existed, I would’ve most definitely chosen the Caucasian woman.

You might ask what’s wrong with an African-American man being fond of Caucasian women. On the surface and ignoring the societal taboos placed on such a thing, absolutely nothing. Nevertheless, if you are an African-American woman and you do some simple math on African-American male availability in your head, you might begin to get a bit nervous. In fact, my teenage daughter and one of her African-American friends recently said that when they get older they’re going to have to become white or Hispanic if they ever want to get married. I’m not certain where that notion arose (and I quickly assured them that this would not be the case), but at a young age they are already sensing how it might have developed.

As an African-American, however, the question that I now must ponder is not “what” but “how.” How did I develop this preference? How did it enter my psyche?

Other African Americans may have different reasons, but interestingly enough, I believe the answer may lie in my dreams. My dreams are deeply rooted in the African-American dream — but not in the way you might suspect. You see, I dream of Jeanie with the light brown hair (i.e. blonde) hair, I dream of bright angels with golden wings, I dream of kids playing in green parks, in my dreams. I fly in blue skies to the envy of all (and sometimes experience that never-ending fall. People chase me. We might fight. I dream in colors so very bright... except for blue, except for blue.

I’m not quite certain when I noticed, but several years ago it dawned on me that, relativly speaking, almost all of the people in my dreams were white! As an African-American, that was quite a shocking revelation.

Looking back now, however, I can see how it might have developed. From childhood to early adult years, I was usually in educational settings with Caucasians. I primarily studied the history and culture of Caucasians. I watched TV shows featuring Caucasians ("I Dream of Jeannie," "Charlie’s Angels," etc.) with commercials for products that primarily targeted Caucasians. I then spent evenings hanging out with Caucasian friends, listening to Caucasian rock or popular music (that’s all the radio allowed anyway) and arguing about which Caucasian classmates or Caucasian actresses we preferred. I then went to church and prayed with Caucasian images of God and Biblical persons in my head. Dreams don’t lie. Those of African-American descent simply never made it to the casting calls for my dreams. I believe that this, coupled with the “I’m not really that kind of black” mentality towards my people that I like all Americans learned from society, led me to develop a preference for those outsiders, those of my own race.

In actuality, it is a symptom of the self-hate that many of African descent develop in America when we lack knowledge of ourselves. Let me clarify: it wasn’t the fact that I considering Caucasian women that I lamented — it is that I got to a point where I rarely considered women of African descent, that is, women who looked like my mother. I turned my eyes and lied to my relative’s friend that day, because I could not bring myself to say what was in my heart — that, at that time, I found our people less attractive.

When the media portrays an interracial relationship, they always seem to portray it as an “individual” developing an attraction for another individual (who happens to be of another race). Because of who that individual is, I guess it’s inconceivable (shall we say — taboo?) for an individual to have a preference for a whole other race or ethnicity in our society, however, it does happen. Unfortunately for my race, African-American women are usually placed at the very bottom of the list of preferences.

Other people — and maybe some of African descent — often wonder why we have events like Black History Month, NAACP Image Awards, RFAC Fashion Show, Essence and Ebony magazines, etc. Odd as it seems, we’ve been called ugly so loudly and for so long that we need to constantly remind ourselves of our beauty, so that we free ourselves from rather than perpetuate, the hair — and self-hate — of our people, which has been institutionalized as a result of America’s unique racial history.

Although we have very few standards of beauty in our society for women of African descent, let us not forget that the Virgin Mary black-skinned and of African descent, despite the more recent and prevalent Eurocentric, artistic portrayals is one of those standards. African peoples ARE beautiful! Our beauty — like that of ALL God’s people — has depth and character. No, it’s not skin deep. Neither, however, does it only exist below the surface.

In the end, I did not develop (nor seek) a sole preference for the women of my race, but an understanding that, given the sociocultural Eurocentric standards of beauty and the prevalent racist and stereotypical views that I (even as an African-American man) may have inherited from this society, I needed to make a conscious decision to CONSIDER the woman of my race. After that, I would get to know them individually and go from there.

Can you believe it? Once I started doing that, my skin-colored dreams actually began to be cast in black and white.

Maybe you’re thinking that life shouldn’t be so complicated. You’re right. Then again, life shouldn’t have to be so easy.

So... what color are YOUR dreams?

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GARRY TRUEAU

If we insist upon being "as sure as is conceivable, in every step of our course, we must be content to creep along the ground and can never soar."

John Henry Newman
The "Riverside Shakespeare" is an impressive book. It contains all of the authoritative works of the Bard — comedies, tragedies and histories — and puts them in easy reach. The Riverside contains notes on the text, little introductory articles, and descriptions on the back of many of the 20th-century productions of Shakespeare, both in film and on the stage. This is a veritable Shakespeare encyclopedic. Suffice it to say, this exquisite cookbook does not come cheaply. Also suffice it to say that all this information will be lost one tome, it is necessary to produce a 300-pound book that will break the back of even the most experienced of backpack-carrying students. So when I thought someone had stolen my precious Riverside, I was distraught. I was furious. I was outraged.

On my way to my last class last Thursday, I was tired. Really tired. And my backpack was already full to back-breaking, backpack-splitting limits. So I figured I'd just leave my big huge weapon of a Riverside in the off-campus lounge/ game room in Haggar. After all, I've been here almost three years, and I've left stuff there for weeks at a time. Nobody even touched it, let alone takes it. Granted, my Russian folder and my notebook can't be resold at book bazaar, like my Shakespeare, but it was Thursday afternoon — my weekend brain appointment (usually in the day too early). Besides, I thought, who's going to walk in between 2 p.m. and 3:15? Probably not many people. So I left my "Riverside" on the shelf in Haggar and blithely walked out, secure in the inherent integrity of all those who would venture into Haggar Game Room.

Do I even have to finish this? I came back to Haggar an hour and a half later, again blithely, and lo and behold, all blitheness stopped. Instead it was more like doom, despair and misery. My book was not there. I talked to the people who were in there at the time — the Riverside hadn't been there when they came in. I looked under tables and chairs, behind shelves, desperately (and rather stupidly) hoping it to have magically removed itself in another corner of the room in its effort to play a practical joke on me. I didn't search the room — I searched the entire building.

So when I finally realized that it was irrevocably gone, I stormed. I fumed. I railed. I had more than a few choice words to say about the perpetrator of this crime. And while The Observer isn't a "family newspaper," I doubt that the editorial staff would deem it appropriate for me to elaborate on the nature of those choice words. (hint: Think Four letters.)

I mean, I know people stole books. But I hadn't expected it to happen to me until I entered law school with 500 other competitive sharks. I went in the bookstore and sold them down at its length, where those wonderful people promised to watch out for it at buy-back time.

Every acquaintance I bumped into heard about the tale that evolved into the "The Mysterious Robbery of Nakasha's Very Expensive and Very Heavy Riverside." My faith in human nature was gone. Nobody could be trusted anymore. I had lost my innocence. Never again would I be the same trusting and optimistic person.

So I spent the next 24 hours brooding over my lost Riverside, which was now looming like an end- undelyar proposition. I prayed the entire day that it would turn up by some miracle. And the next day, I walked through LeMann, saw my name on the message board and went to the front desk to claim my message. And then the desk clerk opened her up her desk and took out my Riverside. I was ecstatic. I was elated. I was on Cloud Nine. (And I almost hugged the bewildered desk clerk.) I thanked God, and then I again stopped every acquaintance I had to let them know that my book had been saved.

But after the elation simmered down into deep contentment, I began to feel like Bertie Wooster after he's mucked things up — I felt sheepish. Very sheepish. The poor anonymous person who probably turned my book in for safekeeping had been unfairly maligned (to half the student body) by me. So I guess I owe her (or maybe him) a profound apology for my slanderous conduct. And a heartfelt thank you for not choosing to make a profit off my Shakespeare.

Oh, and my innocence? It's back and better than ever. Well, at least until law school.

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How about a secular holiday?

By ELLEN ANDERSON
Scene Writer

"Come on, Mom. There's no such thing as the Easter Bunny," a friend once said. "Think about it. A big, fat rabbit hopping all over the world? How is he supposed to cross the oceans? It just doesn't make sense."

Although this precocious young lady had things all figured out at the ripe age of four, the idea of an Easter Bunny is a source of anticipation and excitement for most children far into their elementary school days. The thought of this magical creature scampering around, filling baskets with yo-yos and Peeps represents only one of the many traditions associated with Easter.

While some customs stem from the religious aspect of the holiday, other decidedly secular traditions are shared by those of faith and non-believers alike in the celebration of Easter. Perhaps the most common Easter practice is that of egg-decoration. Every child should experience the messy process of dying and painting eggs in the days preceding the holiday. What better family bonding experience than the intricate tasks of first decorating the shells, then consuming the week's worth of deviled, scrambled and poached eggs that result from the activity? Egg hunts often accompany the festivities, although a careful tally of eggs should be taken to insure that no carefully hidden and subsequently rotting eggs surface at an obscenely later date.

Another tradition in the Easter spirit often includes the obligatory watching of televised parades and celebrations. Although for older family members parades may seem trite and boring, few things can compare in a child's eyes to the first few years of floats and dancers seen parading around the streets of New York. The viewing of these glorious spectacles can bring out the magic of the holiday and provide yet another worthwhile family activity for a good deal of the population.

Not only does Easter mark the arrival of the spring season, it serves as an opportunity for youngsters to showcase their new holiday wardrobes. Masses are packed with little girls in flowery dresses and patent leather shoes, while boys deck-out in new tailored suits and ties. Easter proves to be most parent's finest moment— their children can be required to look presentable for at least a few hours in the public view. (The impending threat of an Easter candy-revocation is often a key motivator against misbehavior in situations such as this.)

A full-out meal marks the end of the Easter holiday in most families. A table bellowing with the traditional spread of ham, peas and wine, along with other incidentals can often set the mood for a great night of games and banter. An amusing (and sorrowfully seldom-practiced) cap-off to the evening is the heating of the aforementioned marshmallow Peeps in the microwave to the point of explosion. What more satisfying activity is there than watching those little bunnies and chicks grow to impossible sizes before they finally condense back down to their former shapes?

No matter what the practices, Easter can and should be one of the most celebrated days of the year. Not only is it the end of Lent, but Easter provides one of the rare times in which family members and friends can gather solely to enjoy each others' company. Easter is a time for laughter and relaxation, and it comes but once a year. Each Easter should be an event to remember, an event from which memories can be formed for years to come.

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Freshmen shine in the spotlight

Thumbs-up to Freshmen Plays; thumbs-down to untheatrical venue

By BRIAN SEAMAN

Freshmen Bill Fusz performs at the Hesburgh Library Auditorium in the First Year Plays. The show consisted of four one-act plays starring various members of the freshman class.

In the opening moments of the 1999 First Year Plays, the house lights were abruptly cut, leaving the audience in sudden darkness, wondering what exactly was happening. Only moments later, when a spotlight piercing the darkness was misplaced four or five feet to the right of the actress waiting for it to come on, did the audience realize the show was beginning.

With this early blunder, the audience silently winced, wondering if this was to be a bad omen for the course of the evening. Thankfully, the talented freshman performers involved in Sunday night’s performance proved that the evening would not only be markedly better than those opening moments, but also that their combined talents would add up to a very enjoyable and witty evening of theater.

The evening opened with the wonderfully sarcastic “Mrs. Sorken,” by Christopher Durang, a caricatured portrait of a New York theater lady—the kind of theater patron who insists on loudly opening M & M’s in the middle of a quiet scene. Dressed in a cool pink suit, Michaela Murray-Nolan turned in a dynamically subtle performance as Mrs. Sorken, and quietly charmed the entire audience with her crinkled glasses and grandmotherly voice.

It was truly a moment of simplistic glory on this actress’ part when after explaining that she felt nauseated by the drama in which “... they use the ‘F’ word,” she playfully glanced out to the audience as if in nervous anticipation of approval. This comedic monologue is the kind of drama college productions are waiting for, most definitely not the high (and usually boring) drama that is presented all too often on college campuses.

The second of the one-act plays, “Ernie’s Incredible Iliuminations,” had a substantially larger cast and was not as personally engaging. The numerous and unnecessary set changes seemed to crack any comedic momentum just as it began. The play follows the adventures of a young dreamer in England whose imaginative creations come to life before his eyes, only for his vision to be questioned by his doctor.

One of the most problematic elements of this piece was that the cast employed accents as varied as Long Island, German, Southern and Brooklyn—while the play is set in England. The production would have been much more effective without any accents at all, for this aspect had no influence on the plot.

Yet despite these very minor problems, the cast carried off the farce quite well. Notable performers included the scene-stealing Lizzie Brackett, whose call of “Jiggly Monkey” to a shirtless Joe Larson provided the audience with a truly hilarious moment.

Bruckon, Larson, Bill Fuzz and Katie Ahern rounded out a quartet of Greek chorus-like players whose numerous varied roles showed some real comedic maturity and talent.

This exaggerated farce led to a French comedy of manners, “Les Perceusees Ideocles,” a restoration piece in which two servants take the places of their masters to toy with the emotions of two vain young women.

The cast was nimbly led by the delightful Tiff Roman and the dynamic Katie Wilcox. Both seemed to understand truly the modest and understated comedy of Moliere. The myriad of gasps, clenches of the breast and snooty demands ably presented a prissy mixture of wide-eyed delight and vain petulance.

Yet strangely enough, a wildly erratic feel to the show as a whole contrasted this sense of modesty and understatement. While initially entertaining, the idea of a comedy of manners is definitely undermined when the biggest joke of the evening is an overly powdered wig which was bumped, beaten and pulled too many times. This overused device grew very sour by the end of the piece, and a final powderly explosion, which ended the show on an inappropriate note, most definitely should have been rethought.

In the final installment of the evening, “The Philadelphia,” three harried city-dwellers intersect in a bar to realize they are caught in alternate realities of sorts, all of which are named after American cities. To be caught in a Philadelphia is the worst of all days, for when one asks for something, the opposite is provided.

All three performers in this segment were confident and well-cast, from the dimly Brett Gansen to the erratic Brendan Geary. With such notable performances, it is not surprising that this final one-act play also proved to be the most effective. Yet it was the big-haired and gum-chewing performances of Barbara Smith that was the most satisfying, especially when mentioning that she is caught in a “Cleveland,” which she describes as “Death... without the benefits.” Her wildly engaging attitude of New York ignorance proved to be overwhelmingly hilarious.

Refreshingly, one of the greatest criticisms of the evening cannot be directed at the performers, directors or technical staff, but rather at the physical space in which the evening was performed. The Hesburgh Auditorium was not designed for theater, but rather for lectures. It should be restricted to such.

With the level of theatrical talent in the freshman class, these students should be granted time in Washington Hall, for they certainly deserve this space. Also, many of the very noticeable technical problems of the evening would be alleviated. Such talent must receive the attention it most certainly merits.
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Francis leaves Maryland for NBA after one season

Francis considered entering the NBA draft last season after playing junior college ball at San Jacinto in Texas and Alleghany in Maryland.

Francis, who grew up in Takoma Park, a few miles from the Maryland campus, chose to play for the Terrapins instead. In his first year in Division I, he led the Terrapins (28-6) in scoring (17.2) and 3-point shooting (1.28) and led the Atlantic Coast Conference in steals (2.8).

Francis joins forward Albert White of Missouri in leaving college early.

Others who might enter the NBA draft are: Duke's William Avery and Elon Brand. The latter is the national player of the year; Khalid El-Amin and Chris Porter of Georgia; Jermaine Jones of North Carolina; Chris Porter of Auburn; and Mateen Cleaves of Michigan State.

Two junior point guards, Ed Gorila of Houston and Sosnie Pems of Ohio State, will return next season.

Three senior Maryland starters — Aaron Profit, Obinna Ejekwe and Terrell Stokes — won't return next year, leaving forward Terrence Morris the only returning starter.

RICHMOND, Va. Three top Romanian male gymnasts apparently decided not to return to their native country following a gymnastics meet last week, although no one seems to know where they might be.

Malita, Viorel Popescu and Vasile Cioana have not been seen since Saturday. Romanian officials think the three decided to stay in the United States for good, said Ron Galimore, senior director for the American men's gymnastics program.

"I'm told that they did leave a note saying that they planned to stay behind," Galimore said Wednesday. "Since this has taken place, we've been trying to locate them on behalf of the Romanian Gymnastics Federation.

"We've taken the time to contact several gym club owners that have foreign athletes working or training there. We've been unsuccess­ful at locating them."

There are no signs of foul play in the disappearance, but FBI officials are checking to be sure, according to a statement from the bureau's Richmond office.

"We're trying to find them to encourage them to go back and allow us to help them come here legally," he said.

"I think they're a little young (20 to 23) and they probably have not thought through things."

No laws prevent Romanians from emigrating, but it is difficult to get long-term visas to move from parts of Europe to the United States, said Stefan Maier, press secretary for the Romanian Embassy in Washington, D.C.

The three gymnasts have temporary visas for their visit to the United States. Nicole Viars, head at Romania's gymnastics federation, told private news agency Mediafax that Cioana's visa is good until 2000, while Malita's and Popescu's expire at the end of April.

If the athletes do approach U.S. officials and request asylum, their cases would be decided by the Immigration and Naturalization Service or an immigration court judge, INS spokesman Russ Bergeron said.

The INS has not heard from the gymnasts or the Romanian gymnastics team, Bergeron said.

The Romanian team was in Richmond for a meet last Friday featuring American men against Romania and China.

The Romanians stayed at the Omni Hotel in downtown Richmond.

Sometime after the event, Malita, Popescu and Cioana left the hotel and didn't return.

On Sunday, when the team visited the Romanian embassy, the three gymnasts were aboard a minibus, Malita said.

"The person at the embassy who was serving as a host ... was told by the team that they were very upset that three of them left," he said.

The rest of the Romanian team returned home Tuesday.

News reports from Romania said that if the three stay in the United States, they most likely be to make more money.

The average monthly salary in Romania is equivalent to $70.

If the three do not return to Romania, it could damage the nation's chances of qualifying for the 2000 Olympics, Galimore said.

The 1999 world championships are in October, and the top 12 teams qualify for the 2000 Games.

They're definitely within the top six on the Romanian team, Galimore said. "All four of these guys would def­initely be players for Romania's world champi­onships team."

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Wizards set defensive record against Magic

Associated Press

WASHINGTON
Juwan Howard scored 20 points and the Washington Wizards used a record defensive performance to beat the Orlando Magic 94-73 Wednesday night.
The 73 points by Orlando were the fewest ever allowed by Washington. The previous record was 74, by Cleveland in 1982 and Miami in 1997.
Terry Davis went 6-for-6 from the field and matched his season-high with 12 points, including six points during an 8-0 first-quarter run that gave the Wizards the lead for good.
The Wizards, who blew a 10-point lead in the final three minutes and lost at Milwaukee the previous night, had to hold off the Magic after squandering most of a 10-point, fourth-quart er lead.
The Magic, who ended a two-game winning streak, lost leading scorer Nick Anderson with 6:37 left in the first half. Anderson, averaging 16.5 points, strained his left hamstring when he fell on Washington’s Mitch Richmond and is listed as day-to-day.
Darrell Armstrong scored 15 points for the Magic, who fell apart after trailing by only three points at halftime. The Wizards, who never trailed, opened the second half with an 11-1 run. The Magic missed their first seven shots of the half and committed seven turnovers, including four offensive fouls, in the first 5 minutes of the third quarter.
The lead twice grew to 10 points in the first half until the Magic closed to 43-40 at the half. Orlando center Isaac Austin scored all 10 of his points before the break. After falling behind 54-41 in the third quarter, the Magic couldn’t get closer than six until J.J. Armstrong’s jumper cut the deficit to 74-70 with 2:53 remaining.

College Hockey

BC will try to avenge ’98 loss

Associated Press

ANAHEIM, Calif. 
After an overtime loss in last year’s championship game, Boston College has another opportunity to win its second NCAA hockey championship — a half-century after its only title.
The Eagles (27-11-4) face Maine (29-5-7) in the first semifinal Thursday at the Anaheim Arena.
New Hampshire (30-6-3) will meet Michigan State (29-5-7) in the other semifinal.
Despite last season’s success, Boston College is the least likely member of what is now officially dubbed the Frozen Four.
The Eagles finished third in Hockey East and qualified for the NCAA tournament by winning their conference tournament.
Seeded fourth, Boston College opened the tournament with a 2-1 victory over fifth-seeded Northern Michigan on Saturday and qualified for the final four with a 3-1 victory over top-seeded North Dakota on Sunday, its eighth consecutive victory.
“We’ve got a little streak going here,” forward Blake Bellefeuille said after Wednesdays practice. “We’re on top of our game right now. If we play our style, I think we’ll come out with a W.”
Boston College and Maine have split their four games this season, with the Eagles winning the most recent matchup 3-2 March 19 in the Hockey East Tournament semifinal.
“You have to prepare to play a great team like Maine,” said Bellefeuille, who scored two power-play goals and had an assist the last time the teams met. “You have to focus and play your best game.”
Although the tournament is being played west of Colorado for the first time in its 55-year history, both teams have links to the Anaheim rink.
For Boston Colleges seven seniors, it is a return trip to where their careers began.
They played in a 7-1 loss to Michigan (0-20) in a Great Western Freeze-Out tournament game Oct. 15, 1995.
For Maine’s Steve Kariya, the game is his first opportunity to play at the home rink of his brother, Paul, the captain of the N.H.L.’s Mighty Ducks of Anaheim.
The younger Kariya, a senior left wing and team captain, is a finalist for the Hobey Baker Award, annually presented to college hockey’s top player. He leads the Black Bears with 27 goals and 38 assists.
In the other semifinal, Central Collegiate Hockey Association champion Michigan State is the only outsider in what is otherwise an all-Hockey East affair.
The Spartans were seeded second in the West, had a first-round bye and opened the tournament with a 4-3 victory over Colorado College on Sunday, with freshmen scoring all of their goals.
Michigan State also has a Hobey Baker Award finalist, senior center Mike York, whose 22 goals and 30 assists represent 41.6 percent of its scoring.
New Hampshire, the Hockey East regular-season champion, is led by forward Jason Krog, the nation’s leader in points, goals and assists, and another Hobey Baker Award finalist.

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7:30 pm
Tuesday, April 6th
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MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Advertisements focus on increasing attendance

Associated Press

NEW YORK

Major league baseball is still trying to claw back to the average attendance levels of the strike-shortened 1994 season, has cast well-known players writing, phoning or faxing diehard baseball fans in a new advertising campaign.

Baseball's marketers are hoping to get more of you out to the ballpark as well as boost viewership on TV when you can't make it to the park.

The first in a series of advertisements dubbed "Fan Mail" will remind fans that they can communicate with their favorite stars, connect with the game and its often quirky quirks while forgoing deeper ties between fans and modern players.

In one commercial, a chubby fan named Rich is amused to find San Diego superstar Tony Gwynn has written to him to come to all those games this year.

But Gwynn notes in the letter that he and the other players "noticed you had a tough time remembering the words to the National Anthem" and sent along a copy of the lyrics to help out.

The ads are designed to help existing the popularity of the game in one of the game's most exciting years.

Mark McGwire and Sammy Sosa each surpassed Roger Maris' single-season home run record of 61 home runs in a season, David Wells pitched a perfect game for the eventual World Series champions, the New York Yankees, and Baltimore's Cal Ripken Jr. decided to end his pursuit of the most consecutive games played.

The ad starts running on Sunday's telecast on ESPN of the season opener between the Colorado Rockies and the San Diego Padres from Monterrey, Mexico.

Boston Red Sox shortstop Nomar Garciaparra is featured in one ad that has him leaving a message on the answering machine of a fan named Keith to thank him for putting on his rally cap — a regular baseball cap turned inside out and worn backwards — at a "critical moment" on that afternoon's game.

The ad shows Keith leading the cheers in his section of the stands and Garciaparra connecting at the plate to delight the crowd.

"By the way, can you make any away games," the player asked.

The ad agency, Vigilante of New York, a unit of Leo Burnett, has also created three more ads that individual teams can tailor to feature their own players in local markets.

In one ad, a player sends an E-mail to young Pete to thank him for sticking up for the player when a bigger kid was bucking him from the stands.

Another ad features a player sending a fax to a fan named Mary who was forced to stand outside under a driving rain when she scrambled to catch a ball hit into the stands. "Sweet catch at the game today," the player wrote. "Just make sure you take care of that elbow.

The third ad for local use has a player who hit a home run calling a fan to apologize that the ball broke the fan's rear window.

The campaign hopes to build on last year's resurgence of interest in baseball.

Attendance rose 10 percent to a record of more than 70 million people, helped by the addition of new teams in Tampa Bay and Arizona.

Average attendance per game also rose 3.8 percent to 29,376, but that was still 7 percent below the 31,612 average in 1994 when the season was ended by a labor dispute in August and the World Series was canceled.

Attendance tumbled to an average of 25,260 in the 1995 season once the labor dispute was ended.

Additional ads have been prepared by Waymn Ad Inc. of San Francisco featuring players from the Los Angeles Angels/Anaheim Angels and a rotating group of seven other players to promote base- ball's affiliation with the Rops & Girls Clubs of America.

Kathleen Francis, the top marketing executive for major league baseball, said the ideas for the "Fan Mail" ads were chosen to strike a chord with both serious and casual fans of baseball.

"The players notice more than we really can," she said.

Jacqueline Parks, baseball's director of advertising, said the ads also help showcase the personality of the players. "People want to get to know the players more," she said.

The ads will run on the TV networks that carry baseball games — FOX, NBC, ESPN, Fox Sports Net, FX and TBS as well as on local outlets of the teams' choosing.

Francis said the campaign will be worth $5 million, more than twice as large as last year's baseball ad spending.

NATIONAL COLLEGIATE ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION

NCAA plans to modify eligibility

Associated Press

KANSAS CITY, Mo.

The NCAA said Wednesday it could have changes reflecting its New Rochelle, N.Y., President James J. Duignan's stand that likely will put less weight on the standardized test scores that a federal judge ruled discriminatory.

The NCAA said it had been studying modifications in its minimum standards for months before U.S. District Judge Richard Buckwalter ruled in Philadelphia last week that relying on test scores "has an unjustified disparate impact against African-Americans.

The standards — which include minimum scores on the SAT or ACT, a core group of high school courses and a minimum grade-point average in core courses — remain in effect after the 3rd U.S. Court of Appeals on Tuesday issued a stay of Buckwalter's ruling.

The NCAA hope to have modifications of the standards, known as Proposition 16, in place by Sept. 1, said Penn State president Graham B. Spanier, chairman of the NCAA Division I Board of Directors.

"I'm not promising we will have it done by that date. Circumstances can change," Spanier said. "The stay gives us a window of opportunity following our own school calendar and provide enough research to have something in place by Sept. 1."

The NCAA will continue to pursue an appeal of Buckwalter's ruling not only because it struck down Proposition 16, but because it also raised other issues that Buckwalter also said.

The standards were challenged by four black athletes who contended they were denied athletic scholarships or sports eligibility because they did not score the minimum on the standardized tests.

The tests have been a subject of debate in the academic and athletic worlds as to whether they are discriminatory.

Proposition 16 was a refinement of Proposition 48, which was enacted during the NCAA convention in 1983 at the bidding of reform-minded university presidents who wanted tougher academic standards.

"As a result of some sort of minimum standards are needed to avoid violating "the bad old days" when high school athletes arrived on campus ill-equipped to handle the rigor of university academia, were exploited for their athletic ability and then thrown out without any type of education or skills when their eligibility was removed."

"Both in school and in life, high school performance is extremely important and should carry the greatest weight."

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Baseball
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it to win close games.
The production of the course would be impossible without the
efforts of the entire nine-man lineup to contribute at the plate.
The injuries have not created
hurdles in the lineup for Mainieri but rather opportunities for play-
ers to step up.
"I think one of the things Coach is committed to is stepping up
the play of everyone on the
team," junior Jeff Perconte said.
Perconte has taken Mainieri's
focus to heart, hitting .345 with five RBIs and three doubles in
the last 10 games.
The other significant injury in
the lineup affects the pitching rotation, but much like the hits-
ters, the pitchers have also
stepped up their production.
With Alex Shilliday just returning
from a shoulder injury, the Irish
have relied on the trio of Aaron
Heilman, Tim Kalita and Scott
Cavey to retire opponents.
Shilliday pitched an inning in
his return last week against
Western Michigan before start-
ing last Sunday at Rutgers.
He was rocked in that outing
and has just started his return.
"He just needs to get back into
pitching shape and become
sharper," Mainieri said. "There's
no question that Alex has proven
himself time and again in his
career and he will continue to do
so."
The co-captain Shilliday will
complete the four-man rotation
with his probable start on
Saturday against Connecticut.
Heilman, the two-time Big East
Pitcher of the Week, will open
the series today followed most
likely by Kalita and then Cavey to
open the series against the
Huskies.

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Irish aim to snap losing streak against Purdue

By BRIAN KESSLER
Sports Editor

The 26th-ranked Notre Dame tennis team will look to snap its three-match
losing streak on Monday when it travels
to West Lafayette, Ind. to face in-
state rival Purdue.

"We had a winning streak going for a
while, but then we had a bad Blue-
Gray [Classic] and then had a close
match with Illinois, but we fell short
there too," said singles player Andrew
Laflin. "It hurts to lose, so we're defi-
nitely looking to turn things around."

The 47th-ranked Boilermakers are
playing solid tennis.

Purdue has aped its record to 11-2
on the season and remain a perfect 3-0
in the conference.

Notre Dame, on the other hand, has
faced stiff competition in recent weeks
and has fallen to 11-3 overall.

"Purdue is a good team and it should be
a great match," said junior All-
American Ryan Sachire. "We've gotten
the better of them over the past few
matches, but Notre Dame and Purdue
is always a good rivalry."

With just three matches remaining
before the Big East championships in
Miami, Fla., the Irish realize the
importance of this match and would
like to set the tone for the remainder
of the season with a victory in its final
away match.

"We're going to have a chance for us to
get our confidence back, especially with
Big East coming up," said Laflin.

Notre Dame dropped a close match to
No. 2 Illinois last Saturday.

The Fighting Illini
won three of the four
singles matches that
took to three sets to
claim the 5-2 victory.
Brian Patterson
played a brilliant match at No. 2 sin-
gles, defeating No. 55 Cary Franklin, 6-
3, 4-6.

Senior captain Andy Warford won at
No. 6 singles.

The Irish are hoping to average the
disappointing loss by knocking off a
different Big Ten opponent.

"That's the thing about college ten-
nis. You lose a heartbreaker and then
a few days later, you're out playing
another good team," said Sachire.

"There's no time to sulk, you just have
to come out ready to play."

Purdue will entertain Minnesota on
Sunday, before hosting Notre Dame the
following day.

The Boilermakers are coming off a
grueling 4-3 victory over Ohio State.

They got out to a fast start, by taking
the doubles point with victories in the
No. 1 and No. 2 slots.

The top two Purdue tandems are
each 3-0 in Big Ten action.

Jamie Gordon filled in nicely at No. 1
singles for the injured Chris James.

Gordon was 6-3, 6-2, 7-5 winner over
OSU's Chris Porter.

Derek Myers and Jason Marshall
sealed the Boilermaker victory with
wins at No. 2 and No. 3 singles, respec-
tively.

Notre Dame has struggled in the dou-
bles department lately and will look to
turn it around against Purdue.

"We've lost quite a few doubles
points and it's frustrating because then
we have to win four singles matches which
is always a struggle," said Laflin.

"Purdue is very similar to us," said
Laflin. "It will be a battle, but if we
can play well and execute, hopefully we'll
be able to get the job done.

Men's Tennis

Irish aim to snap losing streak against Purdue

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Calendar of Events

**Freshman Retreat #23 (April 9-10)** Sign-up
Continuing week of March 26, 103 Hesburgh Library, 112 Badin Hall, or see your hall rector
Targeted Dorms: Badin, Breen-Phillips, Keough, Knott, Lyons, Pasquerila East, Stanford, Welsh

**Sign-up for "What's the Future of This Relationship?", Sunday, April 11**
Continuing week of March 26, 112 Badin Hall
An opportunity to explore issues and questions facing couples in significant relationships.

**HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE:**

**Tuesday, March 30, 1999**
7:00 p.m. - Campus-wide Stations of the Cross (Procession departs from the Grotto.)
9:30 p.m. - Opportunity for individual confession follows Stations in the Basilica.

**Holy Thursday, April 1, 1999**
9:00 a.m. - Morning Prayer
5:00 p.m. - Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper
6:30 p.m. - Adoration in the Lady Chapel
11:00 p.m. - Tenebrae

**Good Friday, April 2, 1999**
9:00 a.m. - Morning Prayer
12:00 Noon - 3:00 p.m. Silent Hours of Prayer
3:00 p.m. - Celebration of the Lord's Passion
7:15 p.m. - Stations of the Cross

**Holy Saturday, April 3, 1999**
9:00 a.m. - Morning Prayer
9:00 p.m. - The Paschal Vigil

**Easter Sunday, April 4, 1999**
8:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 12:00 noon - Easter Sunday Mass
7:15 p.m. - Easter Vespers

The Triduum Begins...
Jim Lies, C.S.C.

Even though we are baptized, what we constantly lose and betray is precisely that which we received at baptism. Therefore Easter is our return every year to our own baptism, whereas Lent is our preparation for that return - the slow and sustained effort to perform, at the end, our own "passage" or "pascha" into new life in Christ... Each year Lent and Easter are, once again, the rediscovery and the recovery of what we were made through our own baptismal death and resurrection.

-Alexander Schmemann

I don't remember the day when I decided to be a Catholic... and I don't mean the day of my baptism in the first few weeks of my life. I didn't decide that... my parents did. I remember long ago envying those who converted to Catholicism because it occurred to me that they had a choice, and I didn't feel like I did. Until I realized that the choice was mine, to claim it or not... to profess and live my Catholic faith, or not. I don't remember a particular day on which I said, as an adult, I want to be a Catholic, I want to follow Jesus. And yet I have, most assuredly... and do. Somewhere along the line, the renewal of my baptismal promise became my own. Somewhere along the line I realized that I do believe in the God of Jesus Christ and in the God in Jesus Christ... call it grace, or bum luck... all I know is that I believe. My faith in this God is so real that I want to celebrate it... even the worst of it... because the worst of it, the crucifixion and death of Jesus, is, paradoxically, the best of it. Our very salvation is tied up in it. We commemorate this great salvific event liturgically in the Triduum.

Much can be said about the Triduum, those days which embrace the Paschal Mystery. "Triduum" in the Latin simply means "a space of three days," but as it is used in the Christian tradition it is meant to signify the three days prior to Easter Sunday: Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday. The words of the tradition and of the present liturgical books convey the intensity and unity of the hours around the Vigil. These days call us to fast and pray, to keep watch, and to enter into the holy mysteries of Christ's passion, death and resurrection. We come face to face with the very reality of our own lives, our own dying and rising. Our oneness with Jesus as members of his body, our one­ness with each other, and our oneness in the death and resurrection of Jesus is ritualized in the liturgies of the Triduum and realized in our participation in them, and in our very lives as Christians.

It is during the Easter Vigil that we as a community initiate and welcome into full communion those who have, as adults, chosen to join the Catholic Church. They have been preparing for the past several months through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). Some will be baptized and others will be received into full communion with the Catholic faith from other Christian traditions. I would urge you to keep these folks in your prayers during these days, and to reflect yourself on the importance of your own baptism.

These are important days for all of us. Days during which each of us stands alone before God to renew our commitment. It is an opportunity for us as adult Christians to say yet again, "Yes, I believe!" It is an opportunity for us as a community as well to stand side by side in our shared commitment to live the call of Jesus, to rededicate ourselves to that call, and to build the Kingdom together. Please join with me in the days ahead in celebrating the glory and greatness of these days, whether it be at the Basilica of the Sacred Heart, the Church of Loretto, a residence hall chapel, or at your home parish. We join with the whole Church not only in remembering the events of Jesus's passion, death and resurrection, but, as the Body of Christ, we ourselves partake in them even now that they might transform our very lives.
Women's Lacrosse

BY GENE BITALIK
Sports Writer

After finishing their opening weekend with a 3-1 record, the Notre Dame women's lacrosse team will spend Easter break in Pennsylvania.

The Irish 13-2 are gearing up for a huge 1846 win against the University of Connecticut.

While the team traveled by air and road, the Irish held the Huskies scoreless for 35 minutes, racking up 13 points.

Leading the Irish in scoring once again was Karl O'Shaughnessy with six goals and three assists.

Her performance brought her to 26 goals on the season, one behind her total from last season. O'Shaughnessy's nine points against Connecticut matched captain Kerry Callahan's, 1997 performance against Stanford.

Callahan also extended her goal-scoring streak to 20 games with one goal and four assists in the win.

"We recognized our mistakes from the Ohio State game and put them to use against Connecticut, and [we] hope to use them again in the upcoming games," said Maura Doyle.

"It just comes down to the fundamentals and focus on the game to come out on top," she added.

On Saturday, the team will take on the Wildcats of Villanova, who enter the game with a 2-3 record after posting wins over Ithaca, Drexel, Duquesne and Bucknell, but are currently riding a two-game losing streak.

To stop the Wildcats, the Irish will have to control their best player, senior Meghan Doyle.

Doyle enters the season as a second-team All-American, amassing 51 goals and 10 assists last season. She currently has 30 goals on the season.

The person to guard Doyle may be one who best knows her style of play — her sister, Notre Dame sophomore Maura.

"I have mixed emotions going into the game. I am nervous playing against my sister, but I am glad that my family will be there," said Maura Doyle.

"It is going to be weird telling my teammates that they have to shut [Meghan] down if we want to win." After the team takes off Sunday to celebrate Easter, they return to action late Monday night in a game against the University of Pennsylvania Quakers who are winless in five games.

"Purdue will be crucial in this match-up, as they are attempting to contain former Ivy League Rookie of the Year Brooke Bokars," said Callahan.

The Irish defense will be crucial in this match-up, as they attempt to contain former Ivy League Rookie of the Year Brooke Bokars.

"We're going to be very focused on the defense. We need to stay on top of our game," said Doyle.

They're one of those teams that we definitely should win against, but they can still play well," she said.

Tennis

Is your friend having a birthday? Advertise it in The Observer.

By Liz Lang

Hingis faces tough competition at Cup

Associated Press

HILTON HEAD ISLAND, S.C. When Martina Hingis won the Family Circle Cup two years ago, she was on another level.

Now, her dominance is not so clear cut.

"Everybody has improved so much," said Hingis, the tournament's top seed who dispatched Sylvia Plischke 6-3, 7-5 in her first match Wednesday.

"The Williams sisters, Liebeskind [Davenport] took over No. 1 for a while. There are so many more dangerous players to watch out for . . ."

But many of them have decided to pass on the event.

Hingis seems to have the inside track to the tournament title with Serena Williams and Davenport out with injuries, and Venus Williams' decision to skip the Family Circle.

However, second-seeded Monica Seles, No. 6 Patty Schnyder and No. 10 Carolina Martinez may challenge Hingis. They advanced, as did No. 13 Silvia Farina, No. 14 Elena Likhovtseva and No. 16 Henrieta Nagyova.

And Iva Majoli defeated No. 9 Irina Spirihi 6-4, 6-2 in Wednesday's evening match. Hingis moved to No. 1 at this tournament in 1997 and, when it was over, had extended her streak to 31 straight match victories and six straight championships.

She was 16 years old, won three of the four Grand Slams that year and finished with a tour-best 75 match wins.

Last year, Hingis learned it wasn't easy to stay on top.

She won five times, down from her 12 titles a year earlier, and took only one major, the Australian Open.

By year's end, Davenport supplanted Hingis as No. 1 and Venus and Serena Williams began to crowd the Swiss Hingis had owned.

"I know how I felt when I kind of played at the top level and nobody was beating me. You just feel invincible," Hingis said.

Especially one who's back on top after regaining No. 1 with consecutive wins at the Australian and Pan Pacific tournaments in February.

After taking the first set against Plischke without much trouble, Hingis fell behind in the second set.

Just as suddenly, she was up 5-3. Yet, she needed four more games to close out Plischke.

"I had kind of relaxed after the first set," she said. "I just should have gone for it more."
Lacrosse
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Doug Shanahan leads the Hofstra offense. The sophomore midfielder leads the team in points with 10 and is second in goals with five. Shanahan, the 1998 American West Year Rookie of the Year, is second on the team both in groundballs with 29 and in face-offs, going 18 for 29.

The Irish defense has enjoyed success against talented midfielders in the past. On Tuesday against Butler, the Irish held Bulldog second team All-American Gary Kahloun pointless.

On defense, junior goalkeeper Mike Demos has played tremendously for the Hoyas. He has been a brick wall on the year, registering a .638 save percentage.

The Irish will depend on Michelle Moschet (1-0-4, Angels Rosso (6-4-1) and Kellie Kline (1-3-1) as the mound. Sophomore pitcher Jennifer Shannon is still out after injuring her ankle but could be back as early as Saturday. Hofstra and Big East Rookie of the Week Jarrah Myers leads a very strong offense. Labow was picked as co-captain of the week after she led Notre Dame to a 5-1 record while hitting .421. Against Toledo, Labow went 6-for-6 with a game-winning homerun. She also scored five runs while driving in six and coming in with runners on at 55 pitches during the week.

Myers was eighth for 19 at the plate last week, including three doubles and six RBI. She had at least one hit in last week’s six games and currently leads the Irish in hitting .344, hits 31, doubles 7, home runs 3, RBI 10 and slugging .534.

The Irish will also look for strong contributions at the plate from Keni McCleary, shortstop Miki Alkire, leftfielder Lizzy Lumine and catcher Danielle Klaman.

NOTRE DAME looks to continue win streak
BY MATT OLIVIA
Sports Writer

The Irish softball team will play six games in the next five days starting today with a doubleheader against the University of Illinois-Chicago in Chicago.

They will host Pittsburgh Saturday in the Big East opener before traveling to Eastern Michigan for another two games Monday. The Irish 11-1 (11) will try to continue their seven game winning streak while getting off to a good start in the Big East conference.

"We’re used to putting our own against UIC," said Big East player of the Week Amy Labow. "They’re ranked 15th and we’ve been looking at the last couple games. We need to come out strong.”

On Saturday, Notre Dame will meet Pittsburgh for the first time. Pittsburgh’s are unsure of what is in store.

"We’ll be looking to get a tone for the Big East right away," said Labow. "It is really important that we do well in scoring early in the game." The Irish will depend on Michelle Moschet (1-0-4, Angels Rosso (6-4-1) and Kellie Kline (1-3-1) as the mound. Sophomore pitcher Jennifer Shannon is still out after injuring her ankle but could be back as early as Saturday. Hofstra and Big East Rookie of the Week Jarrah Myers leads a very strong offense. Labow was picked as co-captain of the week after she led Notre Dame to a 5-1 record while hitting .421.

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Irish come out strong against Fighting Illini

By WES JACOBS
Sports Writer

Jennifer Hall set a record for singles wins, picking up her 108th win with the Irish, in Notre Dame’s 7-2 victory Wednesday over the Fighting Illini.

The 13th-ranked Irish won four of six singles matches and dropped just seven games in sweeping the doubles.

“This is something that I’ll look back on later, and be very happy with, but for now, I’m just happy that we’re winning matches,” said Hall, who broke Mary Colligan’s 13-year-old record, which was set in her 1982-86 Irish career. “We played well today, especially in doubles.”

Freshman Lindsay Greer and junior Kelly Zalinski clinched the match for the Irish with their 8-3 win over Allison Gottlieb and Natassia Manasova at No. 3 doubles.

Notre Dame improved to 13-6 with its 16th consecutive win over a Midwest region opponent. Illinois fell to 6-9 with the loss.

Becky Varnum, Michelle Dasso and Hall gave the Irish a quick 3-0 lead in the match with straight-set singles wins.

The 16th-ranked Varnum beat Carla Rosenburg 6-3, 6-2 at No. 4 singles followed by the eighth-ranked Dasso’s 6-2, 6-3 win over Simone Kung at No. 1 singles. Hall won her record-setting match at No. 2 with an 8-1 win over a Fighting Illini Wednesday. The victory is the team’s 16th consecutive win over a Midwest opponent.

Snapping the Streak

Freshman Andrew Lalun and the Irish look to break their three-match losing streak at Purdue on Monday.

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SPORTS

Women’s Tennis

Baseball begins crucial month

By ANTHONY BIANCO
Associated Sports Editor

Starting with today’s double­
header against Providence, this month will be crucial for the Irish baseball team as they play 20 of their 22 scheduled games in April.

In the past, April has been one of the best months of baseball for Notre Dame and head coach Paul Mainieri, who has posted a 796 record for the month in the past four seasons.

This season, the Friars and Connecticut will be the first teams to test the Irish in April with doubleheaders today and Saturday, respectively.

Having the majority of games slated for home play during the month has certainly helped the record, but Mainieri sees another benefit.

“Looking at the history of the program at Notre Dame, the month of April has been very good for us,” he said. “We’ve had a lot of positive things go our way. I don’t think it’s a coincidence that we’ve played well as a result.”

For starters, the Irish enter April with one of their best-ever records under Mainieri at 16-7.

The 1996 season topped this year’s pre-April mark by one win (17-7). An 18-7 mark that year helped the Irish to their only NCAA tournament appearance under Mainieri.

This year’s mark comes during a pre-April stretch in which the Irish won 12 of its last 13 with only two games at Frank Eck Stadium.

The Irish have accomplished that feat with a number of key injuries to the lineup. Co-captain Jeff Wagner has been out since the beginning of March with a foot injury and will not return before Saturday’s set against the Huskies.

Even then, his return is only stalled as probable.

Wagner, the Irish career home run leader with 43 round-trippers, has been a constant threat in the heart of Notre Dame’s lineup.

Along with freshman third baseman Andrew Bushey (1.313, 1 HR, 3 RBI) out with a knee injury, the Irish could have easily entered April playing the fool.

Luckily for the squad, a number of players have stepped up in the past weeks. Brant Ust has taken sole possession of center field since Wagner’s injury.

He has belted 13 home runs so far and trails Wagner for the career record by just one. Ace Porzel has also welded a hot bat with six hits and 10 runs in the past 10 games. Freshman Paul O’Toole has taken on the back­ position vacated by the injured Wagner to lead the team in doubles and stands second in runs.

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Preseason All-American

Notre Dame prepares to head to Hofstra

By MIKE CONNOLLY
Associate Sports Editor

The men’s lacrosse team will travel to Hempstead, N.Y., this weekend to take on the Flying Dutchmen of Hofstra.

With a record of 8-1, the Irish go into the two-game winning streak after defeating Hobart and Ritter this week. Two weeks ago, the Irish gave No. 1 Loyola all they could handle before falling 10-4.

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