Building tradition in the backwoods

Notre Dame students tour the backwoods of Wild Woman's Ranch in Vanceburg, Ky. Students take to the road over fall and spring breaks to build homes in poor Appalachian towns. They visit 15 sites in Ohio, Virginia, West Virginia, Kentucky and Tennessee.

- Students travel across country to earn credit and serve others

By TIM LOGAN

Early Sunday morning, while much of campus is sleeping, 164 Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students will stumble out of bed and make their way to the Stepan Center parking lot.

From there, they will head for the hills of Appalachia to undertake a week-long service-learning project that has become something of a tradition.

Upon arriving at their destination — one of 15 sites in Ohio, Virginia, West Virginia, Kentucky and Tennessee — they will spend six days working and learning at regional service organizations that are helping to combat poverty in one of America's poorest regions.

Notre Dame students have been traveling to Appalachia during fall and spring break for nearly 20 years. It began in 1981 when then-Lewis Hall rector Moira Baker took 14 residents of her dorm to Kentucky to work with the Christian Appalachian Project.

Baker continued to lead larger trips to Appalachia each semester until 1986, when she left Notre Dame, and the Center for Social Concerns took over the program.

Since then it has grown even larger. In 1987, 47 students went, and it was made into a one-credit theology course, with orientation and follow-up seminars. Next week, 164 will venture to the region and more than 100 others are expected to go during spring break.

"The Appalachian Seminar has become a Notre Dame tradition," said Rachel Tomas-Morgan, who directs the program for the CSC. "It's a service-learning tradition.

The purpose of the Seminar, according to Tomas-Morgan, is two-fold. It aims to provide help to Christian social service agencies in Appalachia and also to educate participants about the problems facing the region. This dual mission influences what service groups students spend their week with.

"We look for partners who are committed to the educational process," she said. "Sites that want to welcome students into the region, not just to fill a need ... but who are committed to educating students about Appalachia.

Education also factors heavily into seminars before and after the trip. Experts on the regions speak and participants see SERVICE/page 4

ND students attend Gore speech

By BRIDGET O'CONNOR

The students in the Notre Dame Semester in Washington Program attended Vice President Al Gore's speech before a meeting of the Democratic Leadership Council Thursday afternoon.

The speech was part of a daylong event which included presentations by top Democratic figures including Indiana Senator Evan Bayh and Senator Joseph Lieberman from Connecticut among others.

"It is crucially important that we take the historical values of the democratic party and pursue them in ways that are important to the American people," said Gore. Speaking before a friendly audience, Gore took the opportunity to relax, touch upon a few issues and take a few shots at the competition.

"He took some shots at the Republicans," said junior Nick Palese. In particular, Gore placed the responsibility for the blocking of the nuclear test ban treaty in Congress on Wednesday on the G.O.P. Gore shared plans to use the issue as a campaigning point.

"My first act as President will be to resubmit this treaty to the Senate with the demand of the American people that they ratify this treaty," he said.

The students in attendance were fairly split as to Gore's appeal from the podium. "I didn't feel like the audience was really into it," said Faleris. "He wasn't really that animated."
Friday Night Lame

With the end of John MacLeod's reign and the arrival of Matt Doherty, Irish men's basketball has a great chance of actually being exciting and worth watching. Tonight's "Friday Night Live" signifies the official start of college basketball practice with a night of excitement and fun.

Now, an event that signifies the start of college basketball season would obviously make its central theme basketball. As I look down the schedule of events for that night, I see the basketball theme is very prevalent.

A men's intramural tournament and a women's three-point shot-out kicks off the evening followed by Coach Doherty and his staff taking on the champions of each event a little later. This part of the evening is dedicated to basketball-related activities.

Doherty will then give a speech at 11:45 p.m. and the practice of the year will kick off with a scrimmage after that. I'd have to say that Coach Doherty and the men's basketball team most certainly have a basketball theme. Throughout the evening Dick Vitale will serve as a host and master of ceremonies. You can't help but notice that basketball is close at hand.

And plus, why would Notre Dame invite Seton Hall to scrimmage after that? I'd have to say that Coach Doherty and the men's basketball team have most certainly have a basketball theme. Throughout the evening Dick Vitale will serve as a host and master of ceremonies. You can't help but notice that basketball is close at hand.

Whenever I look at this schedule of events, I have only one question: What does Tommy Hilfiger, the clothing giant release the names and locations of the makers of overpriced clothing he calls "athletic wear." Maybe that's why he was invited to wear Tommy Amaker. But then I realized that except what's this? Tommy Hilfiger is wearing overpriced clothing he calls "athletic wear." Tommy Amaker is wearing have any relevance to the 1999-2000 men's basketball season? Austin Carr. Since Carr is coaching one team it would be natural to assume that another basketball legend would be coaching the other team, right? Except, what's this? Tommy Hilfiger is going to coach the other team in the midnight scrimmage? What does Tommy Hilfiger have a clothing line that's called "athletic wear." That must be a typo. They probably meant to write Tommy Amaker. But then I realized that Amaker would be busy getting Seton Hall ready for its season. And plus, why would Notre Dame invite Seton Hall's head coach to its basketball Midnight Madness? Heck, that would make about as much sense as former Irish Silly String designer to Friday Night Live.

So looking at this events of schedule, I have only one question: What does Tommy Hilfiger have to do with Notre Dame men's basketball? Have you ever seen a designer to Friday Night Live. I think it was last year. That Tommy's "athletic wear" is only useful if your idea of athleticism is standing around and looking cool for at least looking like you spent way too much money for a Tommy Hilfiger "athletic wear" and you get grass stains on it, you're out $40. That's not "athletic wear." It's idle wear.

So the question remains, why did Notre Dame feel that Tommy Hilfiger would be a good person to represent Notre Dame basketball? Oh wait...now I remember! Hilfiger has a contract with Notre Dame to make clothing. It's all becoming clear. This has nothing to do with basketball and everything to do with money.

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This Week in Notre Dame History

Monday, Oct. 11, 1976

Carter on Campus: Democratic presidential nominee Jimmy Carter called for volunteerism among the American people in a speech at the Center for Continuing Education (CCE). In front of a packed crowd of 400 people, Carter talked for a brief 20 minutes because of a hectic schedule leading up to presidential elections next month.

Tuesday, Oct. 12, 1976

Eight o'clock clock: With midterms upon Notre Dame, one of the most notable changes was the time of exams. Evening exams were eliminated. All exams were now scheduled at 8 a.m. According to the Registrar's office, there had been no negative student feedback regarding the change.

University creates task force

In reaction to decreases in enrollment in University of California medical schools for underrepresented students, the UC office of the president has created a task force to examine the effects on education and access to health care. The task force will look into the effect on medical education, access to health care, the reasons for the decline and outreach solutions. Last year, enrollment for underrepresented students decreased 12.5 percent. That's the number of offers of admission given rose by 30 percent, according to UCOP numbers. "I think that this year the situation has shown a real disparity between the students admitted and those that chose to enroll," said UC UC vice president for health affairs Commons Hopper, who is heading the task force. "These are obviously qualified people who choose to go elsewhere. University officials said they are concerned, not only what effect this drop has on medical education, access to health care, but also what effect this drop will have on access to health care in some minority neighborhoods.

Local Weather

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U. of Colorado president offers resignation

"It would be difficult to continue to lead this $1.4 billion dollar university without the confidence from each Board member," said John Buechner, University of Colorado president called for a discussion of the Board of Regents. "I have not reached this decision in a hasty manner," wrote Buechner, who was appointed to succeed former CU president Judith Albino in 1995. "You know, some members of the Board have nagging questions about the process for a five year review of my presidency and have asked whether or not I intend to undergo review. It is clear that by this letter they should not find a fifth year review necessary. Some members of the Board of Regents have discussed directly with the print media their concerns about my performance as president. It would be most difficult to continue to lead this $1.4 billion dollar university without the complete 100 percent commitment and confidence from each Board member in my role as president," Buechner wrote that he would resign "so later than June 30, 2000," although it was not clear whether he intended to stay in office until that date. Buechner did not respond to a message left on his voice mail Wednesday.

Yale stalls on full disclosure

A decision by Nike last week to release the names and locations of some of its overseas factories proved that, when universities demand it, apparel companies will provide public disclosure—what anti-sweatshop activists say is the first step in ensuring college apparel is made under acceptable working conditions. But after meeting with student activists last week, Yale University president Richard Levin said Yale is not ready to write full disclosure into their contracts with Nike and other companies with licenses. After the University of Arizona, Duke, Georgetown, the University of Michigan and the University of North Carolina included a disclosure provision in their contracts with Nike, the sneaker and clothing giant released the names and locations of the factories where those logos apparel is manufactured. The list, available to the public at www.nike biz.com, includes factories throughout South America, south Asia and the southern United States. Nike is not a Yale licensor, and Levin said he is not ready to ask his licensees to provide similar disclosure since he feels Yale's demands would
Trusted to meet with SMC students

By MOLLY MCOY Assistant Sports Editor

As the student body prepares for a break, Saint Mary's Board of Trustees prepares for work.

The trustees are on campus this week for one of their three meetings held every academic year. The board will not only deal with typical meeting issues, but also hear directly from the student body.

The trustees want to know what the student's life is like at Saint Mary's, said Manuel Hernandez, student trustee. "Saint Mary's is focused on students.

One of the board's main goals this year is to improve student-trustee interaction. On Thursday, they had lunch with the student body as a kick off for their two-day campus visit.

Hernandez said the board is looking into designing a student panel where the Trustees can address questions in the future. "They (the trustees) come for two days and are packed with meetings," Hernandez said. "They really do want to make time for the students, though."

In addition to improving student relations, the board has many topics on their agenda.

Karen Ristau, the new College vice president and dean of faculty, will present the status of academic life at the College. She began work at Saint Mary's in June, and since that time, has met with all of the department heads and will report her findings to the board.

"I'm quite happy to tell them that all of our departments are strong," Ristau said. "We have outstanding teachers and they're doing innovative work."

The trustees spent Thursday meeting with the committees on which they have members and those chairpersons will present their findings to the board on Friday.

One of the topics that will be covered will be the Master Plan and its financing. The meeting will address three sponsors who will offer their support for the plan. This is the first time concrete financial support will be shown for Saint Mary's Master Plan.

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The Board of Trustees will meet again in February and April and will also have their annual retreat this summer.

Group hopes to 'see' charitable aid

By LIZ ZANONI News Writer

Notre Dame Global Health Initiative, a student club started this year, is asking students to donate old eyeglasses to send to Oaxaca, Mexico, to help ophthalmologists this February.

The club will purvey glasses and prescription glasses to people in Mexico, who cannot afford to see an ophthalmologist regularly. Last year, during the medical team's first trip to Oaxaca, ophthalmologists expected to help about 1,200 people.

When more than 1,800 patients arrived to have their eyes checked, the team was shocked at how many people did not have the glasses they expected to assist even more patients.

Senior Libby Balbort, president of Notre Dame Global Health Initiative, said the mission of the club is to "provide health care as a human right."

The club is encouraging students to bring back old sun glasses from fall break and donate them to the people in Mexico.

Bags will be placed in each dorm starting this week for the collection.

For more information contact Balbort or Kelly Looney, the project's chair.

Deane: Colonization plagued Irish history

By ERIN LARUFFA News Writer

Irish history is categorized by colonial rule and peppered with political adversary, according to Seamus Deane, director of the Keough Institute for Irish Studies.

The talk concentrated on issues surrounding British colonial rule in Ireland.

"The Irish were obviously a people who were colonized," Deane said. He said that Ireland was as unique a colony in the respect that the Irish were "a white-skinned European people."

Being a part of Imperial Britain was never easy for Ireland, said Deane. The British felt that Ireland represented a threat to the empire.

"In Imperial Britain, it was very hard for the Irish to commit a crime without being accused of sedition," Deane said.

The Irish were asked to respond to the board on Friday.

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At the same time, he said, the Irish felt pressure to belong to the greater world of the British Empire. The forces of tradition and modernity created a tension in Ireland.

The problem of colonization still remains in Ireland today. Deane said in one respect, Ireland was one of the first colonies to break away from the British Empire.

However, Northern Ireland is still colonized. Deane touched on Irish literature and how it developed throughout Ireland's blemished political history.

"Why and how did Ireland ever produce... Yeats and Joyce (only a generation after the famine)?" Deane asked.

The answer, he said, is that Ireland was modern, not post-modern. The country, therefore, had a desire to walk into the new world.

In Irish literature, there is also a hope that the culture is disappearing, said Deane.

"(In many Irish novels) you find somebody... unable to speak," because of that disappearance, he said.

"What Irish authors are doing is to master the language that was beyond (them)," he added.

Deane delivered his lecture, "Irish Studies: Speaking for and Spoken for." Thursday in honor of the formal dedication of the Keough Institute.
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discuss required readings on the historical context of Appalachia's problems and the Church's responses. One required text is "This Land is Home to Me," a pastoral letter by the region's Catholic bishops.

"The seminar's intent really is mainly to orient them to the region," Tomas-Morgan said. "To look at Appalachia and its socio-economic problems historically, and sociologically, but also to look at the Church's response to the region."

Much of the curriculum is compiled by a student task force which oversees the program. Task force members also travel to potential sites and stay in touch with current ones year-round.

The group is made up of former participants and has great latitude on the program's operation.

"It's almost entirely student-run," said task force chair Rose Domingo. "They leave a lot of it up to us. We decide on participants; we have a lot of say on sites."

The sites selected represent a range of social service agencies, although they all encourage the incorporation of reflection into volunteer work, Domingo said. Some students are put to work building houses, others farming and still others at taking care of children.

"We try to give a varied approach to the problems Appalachia faces," Domingo said.

Whatever work they did have there, many participants look back at the seminar as an important part of their Notre Dame experience.

"It's incredible," said junior Dan Bennett, who went on two Appalachian Seminars. "It's a great week. It's awesome."

The feeling was passed onto others, reaching the point where program organizers say they do not need to advertise, and they often turn applicants away.

Some of these applicants, Tomas-Morgan said, are worried they will miss a chance to go on the trip, and miss out on a part of the experience. Seniors, she said, will write on their applications, "'ve heard you shouldn't graduate from Notre Dame without going on the Appalachia Seminar."

"I think that kind of sums it up," she said. "I think it has worked itself into the fabric of Notre Dame and student involvement."
Flying dinosaur fossils found

WASHINGTON
A fierce turkey-sized animal with sharp claws and teeth may have been the first flying feathered dinosaur, a missing link between the lumbering lizards of millions of years ago and the graceful birds of today. Fossils of the animal, called Archaeopteryx limbosaurus, suggest that it lived 120 million to 140 million years ago when a branch of dino­saurus was evolving into the vast family of birds that now live on every continent, researchers said Thursday. "We're looking at the first dinosaur that was capable of flying," said Philip Currie of the Royal Tyrrell Museum in Alberta, Canada, a dinosaur expert who helped analyze the new fossil. "We don't know how good a flier it was, but it certainly has all of the structures you would expect to see in a flying animal," he said.

Chile asks for Pinochet's release from Britain

SANTIAGO
Chile on Thursday formally asked Britain to release former dictator Gen. Augusto Pinochet, saying he should be allowed to return home due to his deteriorating health. Foreign Minister Juan Gabriel Valdes said the request was made in a letter delivered to the British government, marking the first time that Chile has formally requested clemency for its former leader. Previously, the Chilean government pressed for Pinochet's extradition on other grounds, arguing that he had immunity from prosecution and that foreign courts had no jurisdiction in his case. Neither of those arguments, however, brought Pinochet home. Valdes said as a news conference Thursday that Pinochet's health "has had an obvious deterioration during the past month and he is clearly in no condition to endure a long extra­dition trial."

Tourists filing false claims

NEW YORK
Police are seeing a spate of false reports from foreign tourists claiming they were mugged in the big city, and many of them are telling some pretty tall tales. The phony vict­ims "give us a Hollywood version," says Capt. James O'Neill, commander of the Central Park precinct. "Something corny, like the perp said, 'Hey, man, I'm going to rob you because you're from another country."

Hurricane Irene reaches Cuba

HAVANA
Hurricane Irene dumped rain across western Cuba on Thursday, forcing at least 130,000 people to evacuate. Ranchers moved cattle to higher ground, schools and businesses closed and workers sealed warehouses storing Cuba's famous cigar leaves.

In the western province of Pinar del Rio, President Fidel Castro met with civil defense officials about the storm, which also bat­tered Miami with rain, triggering a rash of traffic accidents in the middle of Thursday morning rush hour.

"This is not the first time a hurricane has passed over Havana," Castro told reporters Thursday evening as the storm's center passed overhead. Castro was headed into the Havana mayor's office for a brief­ing on damage.

When the eye of the storm passed, wind and rain subsided briefly, allowing Havana residents to venture outside and check on damage to build­ings. Many rushed home from work before the other side of the hurri­cane arrived and skies grew dark again.

A hurricane warning was issued for the Florida Keys, as well as a stretch of Florida coastline from Florida City to Boca Grande, about 85 miles south of Tampa. Areas north of Boca Grande and between Florida City and Jupiter Inlet, on the east coast of the peninsula, were put under a hurri­cane watch.

At 5 p.m. EDT, Irene was centered about 65 miles southwest of Havana, and was moving north-northwest at 2 mph. Irene — which had sus­tained winds of 75 mph — was expected to hit the Florida coast Sunday north of Tampa with winds near 95 mph. Forecasters predicted a potential 13-foot storm surge in Tampa Bay and up to 20 inches of rain.

There were no imme­diately reports of damage or injury in Cuba or Florida. In Havana, there were scattered reports of dam­age to buildings in Old Havana.

In Cuba, government-controlled television showed Castro congratu­lating authorities on their "organizational capaci­ties" during a tour west of Havana.

Countries vote in favor of nuclear testing ban

LONDON
Russia today accused the United States of undermin­ing world stability and countries around the globe of dis­playing dism­ay at the U.S. Senate's defeat of an international treaty to ban underground nuclear testing.

India, whose neighbor Pakistan is also armed with nuclear weapons, said it was still committed to signing the treaty, but many observers believed that Delhi will now feel less pressured to sign the anti-nuclear testing pact. There was no immediate reaction from Pakistan, which is in the midst of an army coup.

NATO's new secretary general Lord Robertson said Tuesday night's 48-51 vote largely on party lines was very worrying and appealed to Congress to rethink the move.

"We have to persuade the American Congress that this is in the interest of the United States and the United Nations and I hope we can do that and not a permanent position," said Robertson.

In Moscow, the Foreign Ministry said Russia was "disillusioned and serious­ly concerned" by the vote.

It was part of a trend indicating that the United States is trying to "destabil­ize the foundations of international relations," the ministry said.

The defeat of the Comprehensive Test Ban Treaty made the United States the first nuclear power to specifically reject the 154-nation agreement to end underground testing of nuclear weapons.

Although the treaty was signed by 154 nations, including the United States, it has been ratified by only 26 of the 44 nuclear-capable states that must approve it to put it into force.

Britain and France, Western Europe's only nuclear powers, last week joined with Germany in a special appeal to the Senate not to reject the treaty.

"We hope that what happened in Washington yester­day is not the end of the road," a spokesman for British Prime Minister Tony Blair's 10 Downing Street office said today. He spoke on condition of anonymity.
Pianist Emmeline Schoen will perform from 1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Friday, 10/15.

Dick Vitale will be signing copies of College Basketball Magazine on Friday, 10/15 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

1967 ND football captain and 4-time Super Bowl star, Rocky Bleier, will be signing copies of, Fighting Back, on Friday, 10/15 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., and Saturday, 10/16 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Also on 10/15, pianist Christian Parilla will perform from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.

Pianist Christian Parilla will perform from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 7 p.m. to 10 p.m. on Saturday, 10/16.

The Junior League of South Bend will be presenting a tasting from their award-winning cookbook, Great Beginnings, Grand Finales, on Saturday, 10/16 from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

On Sunday, 10/17 Christian Parilla will perform from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Pianist Seumis Higgins will also be performing from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. on Sunday, 10/17.

Nicholas Sparks will be signing copies of, A Walk to Remember, on Tuesday, 10/19 from 12:30 to 2 p.m.

John Kirvan will be signing copies of, God Hunger, on Wednesday, 10/20 at 7 p.m.

George Weigel will be signing copies of his new biography on Pope John Paul II, Witness to Hope, on Monday, 10/25 at 7 p.m.
Coach Ara Parseghian will be signing copies of, *Notre Dame's Greatest Coaches*, on Saturday, 10/16 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. 100% of the proceeds from the sale of this book will be donated to the Ara Parseghian Niemann-Pick Foundation.

**FOOTBALL WEEKEND HOURS**

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- Saturday: 8:00 am - 10:00 pm
- Sunday: 9:00 am - 10:00 pm

**Varsity Shop (in the Joyce Center):**
- Friday: 9:00 am - 5:00 pm
- Saturday: 8:00 am - 7:00 pm
- Sunday: 10:00 am - 2:00 pm
Rojo: Mistral's works relate to life experience

By COLLEEN GAUGHEN
News Writer

Chilean poet Gabriela Mistral wrote feminist and radical poetry with a "spiritualism" inspired by her own life's experiences, said Grinor Rojo, a professor from Universidad de Chile, focused on Mistral's artistic influence in his talk, "Summa Mistraliana."

Rojo discussed the three major literary periods of Mistral's life: her youthful anti-clerical radicalism, her Marianist philosophic animism and her mournful feminist spiritualism.

"Her poems were a result of great tensions and centered around the notion that the sanctity of life begins with maternity," Rojo professor...

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...excitement at the opportunity to attend the speech. "It's amazing, all the opportunities we have and the things that we get to see and do here," said Turbay. "I was even able to get my picture taken with him afterward." Although Gore did not go into depth on any one particular issue in the speech, he did mention civil rights and women's rights.

"I think we can honor our democracy and help our party if we could pick a different issue each week and address them," he said. "The progress we've made for women's rights in this century is only the beginning of what we are going to do."
Fate of facilities keeps blind employees waiting

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

The government’s temporary decision to keep eight supply facilities open may save the jobs of 1,400 blind workers. But advocates for the blind are not cheering.

"It’s a good move in the right direction," said Jim Gibbons, president of the National Industries for the Blind, the parent organization for 88 associations that provide jobs and services to the blind. "But there is still uncertainty."

The facilities, which distribute products made by the blind to federal agencies, were to begin closing this month. But unions for 2,000 other federal workers at the facilities persuaded the General Services Administration to reconsider.

"Opening the供应 facilities back the clock" to mid-May, before the facilities were set to close, Administrator David Barram said Wednesday.

But the agency, the government’s landlord and purchasing agent, has not necessarily decided to keep the depots open. The administration must find a way to make the facilities, which lose $100,000 a day, more economical, Barram said.

"We will rejuvenate our partnerships with our unions and have an important, honest discussion with them to examine the problems and directions in our distribution system," he added in a statement.

Gibbons said the decision gives blind advocates more time to find other outlets to sell their products — from computer disks to mops — possibly using e-commerce. GSA is assisting with an online store.

Adhering to a 1938 law, the government gives special consideration to organizations that sell products — of competitive price and quality — made by the blind. This group’s unemployment rate is more than 70 percent, advocates for the blind say.

Last month, Barram said GSA would review the closures' effect on blind workers and make sure "we didn’t do anything inadvertent." He expects the GSA and the unions to come to an agreement on the fate of the supply facilities by the end of the month.

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The custom-built residence with beautiful cherry, hickory and oak cabinetry, has a welcoming great room with a cathedral ceiling and a fireplace, a large country kitchen with two expansive outdoor decks, a private study and a formal dining room. There are five bedrooms, five full baths, two powder rooms and a large family room with a view of the property grounds.

A spacious, private guest quarters and an oversized three car garage add to this home's many features. In addition, there is an equestrian facilities to house a 7-stall horse barn with heated tack room.

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Basilica  8:00, 10:00 am & 11:45 am

Sacred Heart  6:00, 7:00, 8:00, 9:30 & 11:00 am
Hunter admits mistakes in JonBenet investigation

Associated Press

BOULDER, Colo. District Attorney Alex Hunter acknowledged Thursday that "mistakes were made" in the investigation into the slaying of JonBenet Ramsey but fiercely acknowledged Thursday that by no means done searching for "mistakes killer."

"The case is tragic," said Kathy Minter, 49, who has lived in Boulder for 13 years. "I think everyone messed up — the police, the media, the tabloids, the Ramseys and the district attorney's office. It's very sad." Some people d e f e n d Hunter and accused police of bungling the case and mishandling the evidence.

"Hunter got stuck with a bad case, and so did the grand jurors," said Emily Brown, 50, who was playing with two children outside the Boulder County Justice Center, where the grand jury met. "It upsets me. I think it's pretty obvious who did it, but they'll have to live with the guilt the rest of their lives. I don't think there's a crazed killer running around."

Early on Dec. 26, 1996, Patsy Ramsey told police she found a ransom note demanding $150,000 for her daughter's safe return. Eight hours later, JonBenet's father, John, said he had discovered his daughter's body in the basement.

A day and a half after the slaying, Hunter assembled a dream team of prosecutors and advisers, including crime scene analyst Henry Lee and DNA expert Gary Schmitt.

The investigation soon became bogged down with infighting between his office and police. Police were accused of mishandling the crime scene and allowing too many people to have access to the crime scene, and Hunter was accused of trying to protect JonBenet's wealthy and influential parents.

Clinton remains 'mum' in Jones case

President Clinton said Thursday he will keep mum — for now — about a judge's decision that he must pay a fine for lying in the Paula Jones sex harassment case.

"When I am out of office, I will have a lot to say about this," Clinton said during a White House news conference. "Until then, I'm going to honor my commitment to all of you to go back to work and have the Jones and Lewinsky sex controversies behind us.

In July, U.S. District Judge Susan Webber Wright ordered the president to pay about $90,000 for "false, misleading and evasive answers" in his January 1998 deposition in Jones' sexual harassment lawsuit.

In that deposition, Clinton denied a "sexual affair" with former White House intern Monica Lewinsky. Clinton's lawyers said he will not challenge Wright's findings, and Jones' lawyers said they will not seek more money.

With an edge of anger in his voice, Clinton said he is deliberately, if uncomfortably, keeping quiet. He has defended his propounded Jones in a Little Rock, Ark., hotel in 1991, while he was still the state governor and she was a state employee.

"I haven't changed anything, including things that I consider to be questionable, because I think it is wrong," Clinton said. "The American people have been put through enough and they need every hour, every minute to give them thinking about their business."

Jones' lawyers drew Lewinsky into the case in an attempt to show a pattern of sexual misconduct by Clinton. Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr then picked up the trail, and his investigation of Clinton's relationship with Lewinsky led eventually to Clinton's impeachment by the House. He was acquitted by the Senate.

Last year, Clinton apologized for his behavior and pledged to return to work.

"Until I leave here, as I understand it now, this is finished and I don't have to comment on it," Clinton said Thursday.


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In a Sept. 30 letter to The Observer, economics professor James Rakowski cited my references to the focus in Catholic social teaching on the problem of the gap between rich and poor and concluded that such a focus “seems to disparage the focus on improving the lot of the least well off” and thus is “extreme.” This is a severe charge, it is also a misplaced one.

Rakowski then takes the philosopher John Rawls as his guide to prioritizing among different options for rich and poor incomes and asks, “I wonder what Whitmore’s rankings would be if and whether he would consider me out of step with the Church’s social teaching?” I will address the charge of disparagement in this column and engage the conversation with the Rawlsian priorities in the next one.

The leap from observing that I cite the social teaching’s references to the rich-poor gap to the conclusion that I am “especially interested in the disparity” efforts to aid the poor is a big one indeed, and the question arises as to how Rakowski makes this jump. This is particularly the case given that in several places in my columns I have emphasized the degree to which Catholic social teaching focuses on the role of profit in increasing overall wealth in a way that aids the less well-off.

Rakowski indicates that he is a regular reader of my columns. After the initial piece introducing my column last year, the very first column I wrote was on John Paul II’s distinction between the legitimate market economy — that is limited though cultural and juridical means — and the unlimited market of what the pope calls “capitalism,” where profit is the only measure of well-being. I wrote that this distinction clarifies how John Paul can say “both that the Church acknowledges the legitimate role of profit” and that it is “unacceptable to say that the defeat of so-called real socialism leaves capitalist as the only model of economic organization.” The entire series of columns last year was based on this distinction and Michael Novak’s failure to make it.

The first column this year critiques the practices of some corporations, but so that readers do not misinterpret, I wrote, “Now, it is important to point out that Catholic social teaching does in fact support the creation of wealth that occurs in the market as a genuine good” as long as it serves the common good and individual interest “insofar as it is consonant with the common good.”

The second column, the one that Rakowski most emphasizes in his letter, in fact makes the case that companies that absorb some of the cost for creating good working conditions will actually have a larger market because, due to the fact that they pass on less cost to the consumer, they will sell more goods. The argument is that in this case paying attention to the rich-poor gap is more productive — and more beneficial to the less well-off — than a view that pays attention to profit alone.

In light of such textual evidence, how Rakowski moves from the observation that “in a couple of occasions,” the rich-poor gap in Catholic social teaching is “espoused” and that teaching “disparages” efforts to improve the lot of the very poor, is confusing. However, further examination may get at the heart of the matter. It may be that he is computing what can be called “the binary fallacy.” The binary fallacy occurs when a person assumes that there are only two options for addressing a problem and that those options are mutually exclusive.

Therefore, if I or Catholic teaching refer to the rich-poor gap at all, we must necessarily be disparaging the production of wealth as an option for aiding the less well-off.

As we have seen, however, Catholic teaching combines both concern for the rich-poor gap (sometimes called distributive justice) and the production of wealth (through commutative justice), and makes the claim that to exclude one or the other is to truncate the options. Again, the case that I was making was that attention to the gap can have the effect of increasing overall wealth.

Traditionally, classical liberal economics has emphasized market commutative justice at the expense of distributive justice and classical socialism has made the reverse mistake. This is why Catholic teaching finds both to be wanting. They both tend to commit the binary fallacy at the expense of the least well-off. From this viewpoint, it is Catholic teaching that is inclusive of perspectives and therefore moderate, whereas classical liberal and socialist economic theories are narrow and “extreme.”

Rakowski’s misinterpretation of Catholic teaching is one common made by classical liberal economists, made possible by an exclusive and extreme perspective.

Rakowski’s appeal to Rawls is interesting, because Rawls attempts to combine production of wealth and rich-poor gap concerns in his “difference principle,” which basically states that any change in policy must be to the most advantage of the least well-off. There are intriguing points of contact between this principle and the Church’s “option for the poor,” and a literature has developed on the issue of the overall adaptability of Rawls’ political philosophy and Christian ethics.

The ongoing richness of that conversation, however, depends in large part on the ability of each side to care in interpreting and understanding each other’s arguments. To the extent that he makes the charge that Catholic teaching and I “disparages” the production of wealth, Rakowski assumes that there are only two options for addressing a problem and that those options are mutually exclusive.

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**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

**We need to deconstruct myths about diabetes**

As a Type I diabetic for 10 years, I enjoyed reading about other students living with the disease in last Friday’s article. However, I did not enjoy the way the article inaccurately described how one “type” of diabetes acts on the body.

Within the pancreas, cells called the islets of Langerhorn produce insulin, which is a hormone and not a sugar as the article stated. Insulin acts as a “key” and in effect “opens” the cells of the body to allow the glucose found in food to enter into it. Without insulin, this sugar remains within the blood stream and elevates the blood sugar levels.

For some unknown reason, these insulin-producing cells are recognized as foreign cells by the diabetic’s body and are killed. As a result Type I diabetics must inject insulin multiple times a day in addition to testing their blood sugar levels which they do to determine how much insulin to take.

I also wanted to make the distinction between Type I, or juvenile, diabetes, and Type II, or adult, onset diabetes. Type II diabetes is predominantly diagnosed in overweight people over 40. These diabetics still produce insulin, however it is not of the same quality as the insulin produced by non-diabetics.

Usually, Type II diabetics control their diabetes by changing eating habits and taking pills.

Lindsey Frank
Howard Hall
October 11, 1999

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**Coming Out Day**

I am writing this letter to express my extreme disagreement and how disturbed I feel about the display of “Gay Pride” at Saint Mary’s on Monday, Oct. 11. As a Saint Mary’s student, I take pride in our Catholic teachings, values and morals. All my life I have been taught to live as a true Catholic. So in coming to Saint Mary’s College, I felt assured and satisfied that my previous teachings would be supported and reinforced because of the religious environment of Saint Mary’s.

But I was disturbed walking out of my dorm of Le Moyne Hall at 7:30 a.m. Approximately 10 feet of sidewalk was covered with a billboard running for National Coming Out Day. The fact that the sidewalk read, “National Coming Out Day, 1999” doesn’t offend me. It was the other signs such as, “Ellen Degeneres is a lesbian, so shouldn’t you be?” “Be gay, be happy” and “SMC Belles! Loud and Proud” that make it sound like we should ignore our religious beliefs and become gay. But, why, why not, Ellen Degeneres is! And being gay the only way to be happy? I think not. What kind of message is Saint Mary’s College sending out to our students?

And the fact that they attach “SMC Belles” to their gay pride slogans makes it seem to a visitor that we are all lesbians. I am heterosexual, but do you see me painting the sidewalks to let everyone know? No, because it just isn’t necessary. It is ironic that National Coming Out Day comes immediately after Saint Mary’s Pride Week. Last week I was proud of Saint Mary’s. Well, I was definitely not proud on Monday.

I am embarrassed. I am embarrassed that Saint Mary’s, a school founded on religious teachings and beliefs, would turn against that to be politically correct.” We are a Catholic institution, so we should act in that way. Maybe this is understandable and expected at a public college or university, but I expected different of a Catholic institution.

I would be embarrassed if I had someone visiting me on National Coming Out Day. They might take an impression that Saint Mary’s is too proud. If I were a parent visiting with my daughter on Monday, I would think twice about sending her to Saint Mary’s College. I would question what kind of morals Saint Mary’s upholds and what kind of moral standards it sets.

Today I see Saint Mary’s a little differently than I once had. My image of my school has been tainted, which makes me sad. I thought Saint Mary’s took stands to support our religious faiths and beliefs — but I guess I was wrong.

Mary Crawford
Junior
Saint Mary’s College
October 11, 1999

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**Students should be above binging drinking**

Returning to campus for the Arizona State game last weekend, I picked up a copy of The Observer to refresh memories of campus life. What I found was not so refreshing. As a grandparent with four grandsons, I was strongly favoring a Notre Dame education because of the values — both moral and ethical — that I remember being taught here. After reading the article on tail-gating, I am not so sure.

Molly McShane should be ashamed to write, “Free beer and the opportunity to consume it excessively” in what “gets hundreds of people up and out of bed Saturday mornings.” She writes this as though it is the preferred behavior for Notre Dame students. I truly hope that it is only “hundreds” that are so motivated on Saturday morning.

Senior Katy Fallon should consider what she has learned here when she states, “Only at Notre Dame would people get up at the crack of dawn so they can puke before high noon.” In four years, did she not learn anything about controlling excessive behavior?

Come on Notre Dame. I expect students here to be a cut above the binge drinking mentality at other schools.

Leo Sandmann
class of 1956
October 11, 1999

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**Overpopulation scare lacks compassion**

In response to Ms. Brooke Warner’s letter “Dangers of overpopulation must be heeded for survival,” I wish to proudly claim my status as one of 10 children and denounce her uncompassionate views. After reading her critique of the usefulness of foreign aid, I was insulated by her claim that help now (often in the form of “extra grain”) simply leads to larger numbers and increased suffering in the future. I presume that Ms. Warner has not gone to bed hungry often. She probably does not take time between classes to put food on the table.

Whether or not she has been confronted with extreme levels of poverty, I do not know. If so, I contend that she has not absorbed those experiences.

Ms. Warner blames advances in agriculture for overpopulation. Yet, she fails to offer a suggestion of what to do with the “extra grain.” Is she willing to allow Third World countries to continue to starve simply so we don’t “worsen their situations?” Is she advocating the stockpiling of resources in order to limit the percentage of the world’s population that can bear children and live a healthy and prosperous lifestyle?

I will celebrate when the Zero Population Growth interest group negatively terms, “Year.” On Oct. 12, the world’s estimated population reached 6 billion, while the United States nears 274 million. Though my family of 12 undoubtedly consumes more grain than most others, I place that with the fact that we all can put forth efforts to solve these social ills that “threaten” Ms. Warner.

Shawni Ahlhoff
Senior
Walsh Hall
October 11, 1999

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**got issues?**

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By MARY ANNE LEWIS

Scene Writer

Reverend Stephen Badin bought several hundred acres of land in Indiana. It included three small, run-down buildings. He left it in trust to the Bishops of Vincennes and for the purpose of a school to be founded on that site.

Father Edward Sorin and his companion Brothers of St. Joseph dreamed, worked and created a vision. A school, a purpose, three run-down buildings and some faith promised them a miracle. They called the school "Université de Notre Dame du Lac in late November 1842, and it became an officially chartered university on Jan. 15, 1844.

This was the origin of the beauty you see around you. Look past the buildings, past the fountains, past the trees and lakes and basilica, and look at the history.

Father Edward Sorin, one small man with a great vision of an American Catholic university, looked past those small buildings. Whether he saw 200 or 10,000 students walking to class in order to learn, pray and build themselves, his dream became our reality.

He saw his vision evolve into the nation's first Catholic law school, the first Catholic College of Engineering, the first Catholic architecture program and the first American circulating library. Even as Sorin watched the Main Building burn in 1879, he helped Notre Dame start again and continue its growth. Likewise, when students made mistakes, he helped them stand up and continue working, to build again and relearn old lessons.

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On Dec. 14, 1920, George Gipp died, just two weeks after he had been selected by Walter Camp as Notre Dame's first All-American. But he wasn't done with football yet. The 1928 football season found Notre Dame with a disappointing record. Of the first six games, two were easy wins.

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

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Think of the faith of Sorin, the determination of Rockne, the courage of the Gipper and the sense of justice inherent in Hesburgh. Every moment spent here at Notre Dame is another moment for these legends to build students today just as they have built this school.

So when you ask yourself why you are here, just think about how far this place has come from those three small, run-down buildings.

Sports will find themselves wishing they were back in Indiana, near the Golden Dome. Before them, they will have the world, with all its problems that need to be solved. Perhaps they will not readily have the solutions, but they do have the resources to find them because of the history that founds all that they learn each day at this University.

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Steele stories a visual Rockne

By CHARLES SKRINER
Scene Writer

"Knute Rockne: A Portrait of a Notre Dame Legend" by Michael Steele is a pleasant combination of photographs, detailed text and interview transcripts that will leave any reader with a complete picture of the man who was Knute Rockne.

The cover of "Rockne: A Portrait ..." fittingly features a stunning portrait of the Notre Dame legend, painted by sports artist Ron Stark. Inside the book, one will find many more visually appealing pages.

Almost every page is laden with photographs, and the reader, or, possibly, the non-reader, could derive a substantial amount of enjoyment and information on Rockne’s life and career just by observing each photo. Within the first few pages, the reader is supplied with aerial photographs of Voss, Norway, where Rockne was born in 1888, and several charming photos of Knute as a child.

Rockne the football player and coach is, of course, the primary subject of the book, and each stage in Rockne’s athletic progression is dutifully covered in visual form. A well-placed photo or two. Illustrations are also salient characters and players in the Rockne football tranches. Additionally, many of Rockne’s teams are represented by the familiar medium of the team photograph.

The astute reader can determine the magnitude of Rockne’s celebrity by observing certain included photographs. For example, one can see Rockne smiling for a Studebaker automobile advertisement, posing with his wife and a scene of Rockne playing with his children at a beach.

Overall, the sizeable amount of photographs function effectively as either the centerpiece of the book or as a compliment to the book’s text.

Those who prefer reading over looking should not be turned off by the amount of photographs present — the excellent text provided by Steele does not disappoint. Steele’s credentials as a Rockne biographer are certainly unassailable: He is a 1967 graduate of Notre Dame and has published a scholarly work on Rockne’s life in 1983, which forms the basis for Steele’s stories a visual Rockne.

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NEW YORK

These New York Yankees aren't just beating Boston. They've entered the World Series, into the record book alongside Murderer's Row.

Chuck Knoblauch hit a game-tying double in the seventh, Stu Pederson followed with an eighth-inning walk, and the New York Yankees beat the Boston Red Sox 3-2 Thursday night for a 2-0 lead in the AL championship series.

With their 12th consecutive post-season victory, the World Series champions tied the record set by the Yankees of 1921-24 and Lou Gehrig who swept the World Series in 1927, 1928 and '32.

David Cone redeemed all those fans wearing Employee on his sleeve with a performance since his perfect game against Montreal on July 18, and the Yankees won a battle of managerial chess to easily send Boston to its 10th consecutive AL LCS loss.

"They're a resilient team," Cone said. "I'm just too tired to talk at night. We caught some breaks.

New York won 10-7, but not when it counted, giving up 4-3 in 12 innings with runners in scoring position. The Red Sox stranded 13 runners.

Boston flew north to Fenway Park, where it will play with exciting pitching matchups. Former Red Sox star Roger Clemens starts for New York against Pedro Martinez, the best pitcher in the game's three.

"It's never easy-0-2," Red Sox starting manager Jimy Williams said.

Pitching for the first time since Aug. 20, Cone strode out nine in seven innings, making just one major mistake, a two-run homer by Ken Girapapica in the fifth that sent Tim Wakefield to the mound. Minas Martinez solo homer an inning earlier off Ramon Martinez, Pedro's older brother.

New York's bullpen survived the high drama, as a 3-3 tie opened when Troy O'Leary connected on Mike Stanton's 4-2 pitch to end it.

With the game-time temperature just 3.5 degrees over cool breezy night, Pedro wore a stocking cap, he watched from Boston's dugout, and Marco looked much like his brother, allowing just one run and four hits in the first six innings.

He walked Ricky Ledee lead off the seventh, Scott Brosseau sacrificed and, one out later, Knoblauch hit the tying double as he had an opportunity. Cone said.

"I was too tired for the entire night," Cone said. "I didn't hit it well."

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He walked two batters in the first inning but left them stranded. He gave up a one-out triple in the second and got the go-ahead run out but the two hits hit second. There were two more hits in the third before he struck out Troy O'Leary to end the third, but hit second, fourth, Verrick doubled but again Cone escaped by retiring Darwen Law of the Red Sox.

Cone surrendered Garcia, the last Red Sox batter, but drove out to the Boston slugger to end the seventh, leaving two on base. But O'Neill was stranded, and that was the end of the ninth.

He threw 128 pitches, 84 for strikes, in seven innings and his nine strikeouts tied his career playoff high. He struck out nine in Game 5 of the Division Series against Seattle Oct. 8, 1995.

Torre had anticipated an unstart from cone because of a cold he had. Cone said.

"I don't know exactly how he is starting to get out," the manager said. "Nothing I could do. He's been great. He will get it together, but it usually takes a while to break down a cold, and find his comfort zone in his arm and his body." 

He seemed to do that quickly, on a brisk night, a couple of inches off after pitching the perfect game against Montreal, Oct. 6, but not when it counted, allowing just one run on seven gritty innings in a 3-2 loss.

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"It looks great in the paper," Cone added. "I think they said I was feeling fine. I told everyone. They all told me. Today I really felt good. So much has been blown out of proportion. I mean, I was fine."

Mariners who struggled for much of the year, had been in an awful slump before the series, hit an even 160 batting-run to win first his first 16 at-bats of the year. He also had a 1-2 pitch into the right-field seat, and the Yankees were ahead.

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Give away your coat... 
and Share the Warmth!

Facts and Figures on Poverty and America's Working Poor

In 1997, 13.3% of the U.S. population, or 35.6 million people, lived in poverty.

In the median state a minimum-wage worker would have to work 87 hours each week to afford a two-bedroom apartment at 30% of his or her income, which is the federal definition of affordable housing.

A 1998 study estimated that 46% of the jobs with the most growth between 1994 and 2005 pay less than $16,000 a year; these jobs will not lift families out of poverty. Moreover, 74% of these jobs pay below a livable wage ($32,185 for a family of four).

SHARE THE WARMTH AND SPIRIT OF NOTRE DAME!

The Center for Social Concerns is gearing up for another successful run of Project Warmth. Last year, approximately 1500 coats were received and distributed to sites all across the country, including the Appalachia region, Indian reservations in the Dakotas, and outreach facilities around the South Bend area.

EVERYONE can participate! Starting October 25, immediately after fall break, collection sites spread all over campus will be eager to accept your coat donations. These sites include:

Center for Social Concerns * Hammes Bookstore * LaFortune Information Desk * RecSports * Alumni Community Service Office * Campus Ministry/Hesburgh Library * All Residence Halls * College of Business Administration * St. Michael's Laundry Distribution Center * Bond Hall * Fitzpatrick Engineering * Flanner Hall * Galvin Life Science Center * Grace Hall * Law School * Main Building * O'Shaughnessy * North/South Dining Hall * ND Federal Credit Union (all branch locations)
Sachire advances in ITA All-American championships

Special to The Observer

Notre Dame's top-seeded Ryan Sachire rallied to beat Arizona's Alex Aybar 6-7 (7-2), 6-1, 6-3 on Thursday in the first round of the 1999 Intercollegiate Tennis Association Men's All-American Championships.

It was the second leg of the ITA grand slam, held at the Penick-Allison Tennis Center at the University of Texas. Sachire is among the six seeds that advanced out of the first round of the 64-player singles draw. TCU's second-seeded Esteban Carril and Florida's seventh-seeded Justin O'Neal lost their first-round matches. Aybar was the nation's top-ranked junior college player in 1997 and '98 for Tyler (Texas) Junior College before enrolling at Arizona.

After losing the first set in a tiebreak, Sachire won 12 of the final 16 games to improve to 9-2 all-time at the ITA Men's All-American Championships. Sachire reached the final at the '98 ITA Men's All-American Championships before losing to Harvard's James Blake and was a quarterfinalist as a sophomore in '97.

The top seeding marks the second for Sachire in as many grand slams for the Irish senior from Canfield, Ohio. Sachire turned in his best showing over at the T. Rowe Price National Clay Championships last month by reaching the semifinals as the top-seeded player in the first grand slam of the season.

The ITA All-American Championships have been played annually since 1979. This is the ninth straight year that this second leg of the ITA Grand Slam is taking place at the University of Texas.

The ITA Grand Slam also includes the T. Rowe Price National Clay Court Championships, the Rolex National Indoor Championships in February and the NCAA Championship in May. The women's equivalent of the All-American — the Riviera Women's All-American Championships — takes place in Pacific Palisades, Calif., next week.

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The Alumni Dawgs ended regular season play with a win over O'Neill to make their undefeated record 4-0. Even with a high level of enthusiasm and a strong defense early in the first quarter, O'Neill couldn't overcome Alumni in the second as they grabbed a touchdown and completed the conversion for an 8-0 halftime lead.

"Our quarterback, Kevin Jones, did well," said O'Neill captain Drew Lais. "We just couldn't catch the ball." Alumni came on strong offensively after the break to grab another touchdown. Down 14-0 in the fourth, O'Neill just couldn't overcome the Dawg defense to score.

"I'm very pleased with how we played considering our lack of practice this season," said Lais.

Keough 22, Morrissey 0
Keough managed to pull off another shutout, this time a win. Following an impressive tie against powerhouse Keenan, Keough upped its record to 2-1-1, following a 22-0 victory over Morrissey Wednesday.

Keough's strong offense was held back by Morrissey in the first quarter. The Manor was unable to hold on for long, as the Kangaroos grabbed a touchdown and the lead. Leading the Keough defense were Travis Alexander, Paul Didio and Kevin McAbee, who combined to keep Morrissey from completing a pass at the end of the second.

Morrissey defense came on strong in the third quarter to push Keough back, but with a Manor fumble and a Keough recovery at its end zone, Keough scored again in the third. Keough scored once again at the end of the fourth to give it a 22-0 final.

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Heft
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finally come her way by the end of the year.
She leads the Irish with 12 goals and 31 points. Her 72 career goals puts her just one behind Monica Gerado’s Irish record of 73 career goals set just last year.

Heft passed Irish All-American and Herman award winner Cindy Dauwe earlier this year when she scored her 62nd career goal.

With just two more goals, Heft will become the most prolific goal scorer in the history of one of the top women’s soccer schools in the country — an honor significant to Heft.

“It would be a great honor,” she said. “With the top program that it is, having Monica and Cindy, it would be a great honor to be up there with them.”

Heft, however, is not stranger to breaking Irish scoring records.

Last season, Heft set a new standard for Irish goal scorers, netting 25 goals in 25 games. Her 1.12 goals per game average was the fifth highest in the country.

While she was happy to break the records, Heft found the honors to be bittersweet as her team struggled and failed to make the Final Four for the first time since 1994.

“It was really nice personally, but with the team unable to score a lot of the times when I was scoring, it kind of took away from it,” she said. “So overall it was nice to get that many but with the team struggling, it kind of took away from a little bit.”

When Waldrum arrived as the head coach last spring, he tried to diversify the offense and take some of the scoring pressure off Heft.

At first, Heft had a little trouble adjusting to the new offense. Now she has found her groove in the offense and scored four goals in her last three games.

“The thing she has done over the last few weeks is that she has found her knack for scoring goals again,” Waldrum said. “In the first few games she was trying to find her way in our offense. The last five or six games, if you look at her stats, she’s finding the net again and it couldn’t have come at a better time for us.”

Heft enjoys her new role in the offense.

“It’s been really nice,” she said. “Most of the games have been one goal per person with four or five players scoring. It’s really hard for other teams to focus on in one player and with the scoring spread out it helps me a lot.”

Heft has never needed much help finding the back of the net. Her teammates and coaches say that she has a natural affinity for scoring.

“She is very quick and has great speed,” junior forward Moits Erikson said. “I think she has a knock for being in the right place at the right time. She has a great sense of knowing where she needs to be to get a goal.”

Heft has the ability to see scoring chances that other players don’t, Waldrum said.

“She is the leading scorer because she has a great knack for the goal,” he said. “She puts herself in the right place at the right time. She sees scoring opportunities that other players don’t see.”

At the pace that Heft is scoring now, she could push the standard for Irish scorers well above 80.

Her hot streak couldn’t come at a better time for the Irish as they approach their last few regular season games before they face East and NCAA tournament.

Volleyball
Irish set for busy schedule over break

By MATT OLIVA
Sport Writer

The Notre Dame women’s volleyball team is set to take on the U.S. Pro-Volleyball “Dream Team” in an exhibition match this Sunday. The two squads will square off at 2 p.m. at the Joyce Center.

The only remaining unbeaten team in the Big East, the Irish will look to keep their winning ways in tact against over the break. After the exhibition match-up on Sunday, the Irish will travel to Utah to play Brigham Young on Tuesday and Utah on Wednesday.

After fall break, the Irish will face seven Big East opponents in their next eight games. This stretch starts with two home games against St. John’s and Connecticut during the weekend of Oct. 23.

The Irish limited their Big East opponents to single digit scoring last weekend, defeating Rutgers and Seton Hall — both in three games. With the wins, the Irish improved their Big East record to 4-0, gaining sole possession of first place.

Nationally, the Irish are also recognized. In national statistics, the Irish appear for the first time among the nation’s leaders in hitting percentage, ranked 17th with a .277 average. They rank ninth overall in blocks per game with a 3.33 mark.

Captain Mary Leffers also represents the Irish in these two categories for the individual statistics.

Leffers, who leads the Irish in both hitting percentage and blocks per game, ranks 14th in hitting percentage and second in blocks per game.

She currently has a .392 hitting percentage to go along with 1.92 blocks per game. Heather Wright of the University of Florida leads the country in hitting with a .468 average, and the national leader in blocks, Heather Bown of Hawaii, averages 2.3 blocks per game.
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were completed.

"They were up against everything and still managed to pull off a tie in the most nerve-racking football game that could possibly be played," Fall wrote in Scholastic. "It was a classic in the truest sense of the word."

The Spartans jumped out to a 10-0 lead on a Regis Cavender 4-yard touchdown run and a 47-yard field goal by Dick Kenny.

With three of its most important starters on the sideline, the situation looked bleak for the Irish. But then sophomore quarterback Coley O'Brien engineered a near perfect Irish drive.

O'Brien, who required two insulin shots before the game to keep his diabetes in check, had no such means to control his second half performance. The Irish were forced to settle for a field goal attempt.

From 42 yards away, Azzaro's field goal try sailed wide right and the score was still knotted at 10.

The Irish defense held the Spartans and forced them to punt. The Irish took over at their own 30-yard line and just enough time for four passing plays.

Both the Michigan State players and the East Lansing crowd expected Irish head coach Ara Parseghian to air the ball out and try for a last second touchdown.

But Parseghian knew that a tie was too much to risk giving it to them cheap. They get a Notre Dame basketball ticket, I want to make it that way again," said Doherty.

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Irish run to against best at pre-nationals

By KATHELINE O'BRIEN
Assistant Sports Editor

The men's and women's cross country squads take their highest national rankings of the season into the pre-national meet Saturday in Bloomington, Ind. The Irish face 35 of the best teams in the nation with the goal of finishing in the top 10. "We just want to get out there and hold our own against some of the top teams in the country," said sophomore Luke Watson. "There's some really stiff competition.

The women may be missing their top runner in the meet, as All-American JoAnna Deeter is unable to compete. "We don't want to take a risk and have her missing because of a pull on her hamstring," said women's head coach Tim Connelly. "We've moved up to 14th after winning the Notre Dame Invitational and have been hoping to beat enough teams during this season. The women did not race last weekend, but we're used to running, but I still think we've got a pretty good group. We're hoping to be in the top 10 to 12.

"There are a lot of teams of a real similar caliber," said Watson, "but we're going to be our best efforts and do our best for sure, but I still think we've got a pretty good group. We're hoping to be in the top 10 to 12." Connolly plans to run seniors Alison Klemmer and Patty Rice, juniors Erin Olson and Bridget O'Brien, and freshmen Jennifer Handley and Christie Kuenster in the meet. The seventh runner is uncertain, depending on whether or not Deeter is able to compete. "I really like the way we match up with these teams," said Connolly. "It'll be a great test. It really is a preview of the meet.

The women did not race last weekend, but won the Notre Dame Invitational the week before, beating No. 13 Missouri, who will also run in the pre-nationals meet. Both the men and the women have moved up in the rankings this season. The women began the season ranked 22nd, moved up to 14th after winning the National Catholic Invitational and have been ranked 12th for the past two weeks. The men began the season unranked, moved up to 17th after taking third in the Notre Dame Invitational and are now 14th nationally.

"We've got to get a better performance out of three through seven, really out of our fifth through seventh guys," said men's head coach Joe Piane. "There is going to be our toughest course this season," cross country co-captain Kevin Conway said. "There will be more hills than we're used to running, but I think we are ready for it. We can't expect our best times, but, hopefully, we can put forth our best efforts and do well.

Krista Hildebrand, co-captain, hopes to build on the team's recent success. "Winning varsity for the men will be junior Shay, sophomore Luke Watson and Marc Striowski, and seniors John Brule, Ryan Maxwell, Pat Conway and Sean McManus. There are a lot of teams of a real similar caliber," said Watson. "The course just kind of depends on who's having a good day and who's having a bad day."

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**Hockey**

Irish head to Colorado for Icebreaker Tournament

By BILL HART

Associate Sports Editor

After struggling against conference rival Michigan on home ice, the Notre Dame hockey team will take to the road this weekend for non-conference action in the Icebreaker Tournament in Denver, Colo.

Hosted by the University of Denver, the Icebreaker will be the first U.S. college hockey tournament of the season. Denver, Notre Dame, Providence and Union College will participate.

Notre Dame's opponent on Friday, Providence, advanced to the semifinals of the Hockey East tournament last season before losing to regular-season champion New Hampshire.

While the Irish and the Friars square off in many sports during the Big East season, this will be the first ever hockey meeting between the two teams.

And although Providence defeated Queen's University 5-2 in an exhibition game last week, the matchup with Notre Dame will be its first game of the regular season.

In last week's conference preseason poll, Providence was picked to place fourth in the regular season.

In last year's conference preseason poll, Providence was picked to place fourth out of nine teams, trailing only national powerhouses Boston College, New Hampshire and Maine. To maintain their solid position, the Friars return three of last year's top scorers, losing none from last season's starting lineup.

For the Irish, Friday's meeting with Providence will be its first game of the season.

Northern Michigan, Notre Dame and Providence will christen the Magness Arena in the opening game of the tournament today at 4:35 p.m. The game marks the start of the 50th anniversary of Pioneer college hockey and will be followed by the Denver-Union game.

The Irish then will face either Denver or Union College on Saturday afternoon.

Last year, Denver defeated top-ranked North Dakota to earn the WCHA title, while Union College struggled with a 4-22 record in the ECAC conference.

The tournament will also be the first athletic event for the newly renovated Magness Arena, which opened recently after two years of construction.

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This Sunday, when the women's soccer team takes the field against top-ranked Santa Clara, head coach Randy Waldrum's squad will have a chance to add to that reputation. Playing the role of the underdog is unusual for the Irish.

Throughout the '90s, they have been one of the top teams in women's soccer. Heading into Santa Clara to take on the Broncos and their 23-game home-winning streak as an underdog is a role the Irish are relishing, senior Irish forward Jenny Heft said. "It's kind of nice," she said.

"It's something different. We don't have the extra pressure going into the game that we have to win. They are ranked No. 1. I just hope the home-winning streak so they have all the pressure on them. We can just go into the game and play our game without worrying about it," Heft said.

The Broncos, however, are not taking the Irish lightly, according to head coach Jerry Smith. "We know that they have an awesome team and that they are very capable of beating us," he said. "We know that this game is going to be a top matchup. Santa Clara and Notre Dame are probably the two most talented teams in the country."

After an early season loss to top-ranked North Carolina, Notre Dame has improved offensively and defensively. The Irish are playing better together and have grown more comfortable with Waldrum's system. "Now they are ready to show how much better they are," Heft said.

"We need to show that we can play with the best," forward Meotis Erikson said. "We hope that we can win this game.

The Broncos will be a weaker team when they meet the Irish. Santa Clara's attack took a big hit this Tuesday as third leading scorer Megan Horvath tore her anterior cruciate ligament and will miss the rest of the season. Horvath started seven of Santa Clara's 11 games and scored seven goals and 20 points.

"You don't want to lose any­thing, particularly not a starter," Smith said. "We are definitely going to miss her. That will be hard to recover from but you know that in a college season you are going to be without a player or two throughout the season. You hope that other players can pick up the slack a bit.

The Irish learned what it is like to lose a player to injury when junior captain Kelly Lindsey went down with a knee injury in the opening game against North Carolina. Lindsey, however, has recovered and is playing at close to 100 percent. With Lindsey back and Anne Makinen returned to the team after missing a few games while training with the Finnish national team, the Irish are playing some of their best soccer this year. They clinched the Big East Mid-Atlantic Division title last weekend.

With a home game already assured for the Big East championships, the Irish are turning their attention to gaining home-field advantage in the NCAA Tournament. A win over Santa Clara would do a lot for Notre Dame's post-season seeding.

"We have something to prove," Lindsey said. "We are definitely not the sixth or seventh best team in the country. I think we are in the top four."

The Irish hope to use a win over the Broncos as a springboard to a high ranking.

"I hope that we can get out and show that we are better than that (No. 6 ranking) and that we deserve to be ranked higher than that," Waldrum said. "But more importantly that, that we are taking the approach that a win could help us tremendously in the seeding process.

Even with the postseason looming on the horizon, the Irish are taking a relaxed attitude into the game. "We have nothing to worry about," Lindsey said. "I think we have as good a chance as anyone of beating them."
MEN'S SOCCER

Big East opponents present challenge for Irish

By KERRY SMITH
Sports Writer

The old adage "save the best for last" certainly rings true for the Notre Dame men's soccer team. With six regular-season matches remaining on the schedule, the Irish have yet to face some of the toughest and best teams in the Big East conference. When they take the field against the Wildcats of Villanova on Friday, the Irish will begin the most important stretch of the season.

With only conference games remaining, Notre Dame's performance could make or break its chances for successful run at the Big East championship. "We're confident looking ahead to our next games," said defender Justin Ratcliffe. "We know they're big games but we also know that when we walk on the field we have a good chance of dominating on offense and practicing a stingy defense.

The main thing we've been working on since the beginning of the season is trying to get more chances forward in order to score goals," said Ratcliffe. "The more people forward, the more chances there are to score.

After playing host to Villanova, Notre Dame welcomes the Scarlet Knights of Rutgers to Alumni Field on Sunday. Ranked 16th in the nation in this week's NSCAA poll, the Scarlet Knights are the only team in the Big East without a loss and are tied with West Virginia as the top seed in the conference.

Back to back victories over No. 15 West Virginia and Rutgers have combined to form an explosive scoring duo. The two have scored a total of 12 goals this season, leading West Virginia to many of its victories. "We're most worried about our away games," said Ratcliffe.

"We haven't played that well away this season and so we're concentrating on doing well on the road. Offensively, Mountaineer forwards Slade Jones and Craig Patton have combined to form an explosive scoring duo. The two have scored a total of 12 goals this season, leading West Virginia to many of its victories."

Rounding out the October break week for the Irish will be a stop in New York to take on the 13th ranked Red Storm of St. John's. A soccer powerhouse, St. John's is hungry for their sixth Big East crown. Currently placed at sixth in the Big East poll, just one notch below the Irish, the Red Storm has amassed a 6-2-3 overall and 2-1-3 conference record — a fairly disappointing showing for a team tabbed during the preseason to sweep the Big East. A closer look at the results of St. John's matchups, however, tells a different story. With a stingy defense, the squad has only allowed its opponents to score seven goals in 11 games, with all six season wins doubling as shutouts.

The Irish look to bolster their defense and earned ECAC and his third Big East goalkeeper of the week honors this week. Conway sits atop the NSCAA rankings with his overall goals against average of 0.77 and Big East conference average of 0.67.

The opponents will keep getting tougher for the Irish when they hit the road next Wednesday to take on the West Virginia Mountaineers. Ranked 9-3-1 overall, the Mountaineers have had a successful Big East season.

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Horoscope

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CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY:
Taylor Robert, Sarah Ferguson, Penny Marshall, Rocco Darrell.

Happy Birthday: Get out and have some fun this year. You've been working in overdrive for too long, and it's time to start making some new friends. You need new experiences, people and things in your life if you want to sti up your imagination. Get ready to do something different. If you haven't seen your family in a while, you won't look back with regret.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Reasons should be on your mind. If you're already in a relationship, this time adds energy positively. If you're single, get out and you'll meet someone new. Don't be shy.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Get out and shop till you drop. You'll find that special item you've been looking for. You might improve your looks and added energy passionately.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21): Make changes to your home that will please everyone you live with. It's time to set some basic rules for yourself. Get back in shape and take better care of your health.

CANCER (June 22-July 22): Stand up for your right at group meetings. You may need to make a spee to implement new ideas. Nobody is going to list you if you act now. Your time will improve your locks and the kind of attention you desire.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Your sex appeal will increase its value at the same time.

VIRGO (Aug. 23—Sept. 22): You can be flippant, and you must be cautious of your words.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Your emotional life may be suffering if you have kept your life against the middle. Social activities will be added and improved immediately.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Your time is running out. You need new experiences, and it's time to muster up your courage.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Don't share your opinions regarding politics or religion with others. You need to promote different ways to think and discuss. You may be influenced by someone who has been found in another place.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Changes in the home may be the smell of new experiences. You will have to find a way to express yourself without hurting anyone's feelings. It will call for diplomatic tactics.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): This is not the time you found viable ways to make changes. You may need to engage a small business venture with your strengths. Your time will improve your looks and added energy passionately.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Your emotional life may be suffering if you have kept your life against the middle. Social activities will be added and improved immediately.

Birthday Baby:
You like to run like the wind. You're lively, loving and always willing to try something new. You have a bundle charm that will bring happiness to those you encounter and many special talents to develop throughout your life.


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WOMEN'S SOCCER

Heft shines in the shadows

By MIKE CONNOLLY
Associate Sport Editor

Irish senior forward Jenny Heft leads the women's soccer team in goals and points but when it comes to awards, she finishes far behind her teammates.

While Heft's teammates garner player-of-the-year nominations and make All-American lists, he was left off the preseason All-Big East team and was honored as Big East offensive player of the week just once in 1999. Heft, however, is unconcerned with her lack of awards.

"It would be nice to have the awards but all I really wanted is the (national championship) ring," she said. "And if I get that, it will take care of all the awards."

Irish head coach Randy Waldrum believes that Heft's lack of recognition might have to do with her lack of participation with the U.S. national team.

"I think a lot of it is because she hasn't been involved with the national teams over the years," he said. "The players on the national teams are just more well known. It's not to say that she isn't in the same class with those players. Hopefully by putting together a second year in a row like she did last year the awards will come her way."

With the kind of year that Heft is putting together in 1999, individual honors may come here

FOOTBALL HISTORY

Tie with MSU highlights '60s

Editor's note: Notre Dame's journey to achieve designation as the 20th century's greatest college football team is marked by milestones, one in each decade since 1900. The Observer examines these moments in a 10-part series that will appear on Fridays.

By MIKE CONNOLLY
Associate Sport Editor

In a battle between No. 1 and No. 2, top-ranked Notre Dame almost lost its chances for victory crushed by a train and Michigan State defensive lineman Rubba Smith before the first quarter ended.

The Irish, however, never gave up and battled back from a 10-point deficit and escape East Lansing, Mich., with a 10-10 tie in one of the greatest college football games of the 20th century.

After the game, Michigan State fans agreed that Notre Dame was the better team and deserved to hold on to the No. 1 ranking.

"Make no mistake about it," Joe Falls, sports editor of the Detroit Free Press, wrote in Scholastic Magazine's 1966 Football Review. "The two best teams in the land were on display there Saturday and our grudging admiration goes to the Fighting Irish."

The Irish received a devastating blow before the game even started. All-American halfback Nick Eddy fell as he was descending from the train in East Lansing. He landed on his already injured shoulder and was out of the game before the first kickoff.

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The odds were clearly stacked against the Irish before the first 15 minutes.

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

Friday Night Live to kick off Irish season

By KATHLEEN O'BRIEN
Associate Sport Editor

First-year head coach Matt Doherty and the men's basketball team seek to lure a generation raised on the television show "Saturday Night Live" into becoming avid supporters of the Irish by opening their season tonight with "Friday Night Live."

Doherty and company are courting the support of Notre Dame students for the basketball program. They are attempting to do this by offering free admission, prizes and a chance to meet celebrities like Dick Vitale and Tommy Hilfiger for the events surrounding the first day of practice for the 1999-2000 season.

"The most important fans for us are the students. It's a student university," said Doherty. "I want to put a product on the
Senior free safety Deke Cooper has been delivering crushing blows from the secondary for four years. Cooper established himself as one of the hardest hitters on the team. His knack for the big play has saved many games for the Irish. For more on this deadly safety, see page 3.
Irish, Trojans continue storied rivalry

By BILL HART
Associate Sports Editor

Looking through the Notre Dame football schedule at the start of the season, many Irish fans paid special attention to this weekend when the USC Trojans, a traditional archrival, visit.

But no one would realize the importance of this game more than head coach Bob Davie, whose knowledge of the history extends well beyond his time coaching with the Irish.

"All of us have been involved in lots of big games," he said. "Certainly every week we play a big football game here, a lot of rivalries involved. I think this game is the biggest one I've been involved with in my coaching career as far as just the intersectional matchup. I think it's a tremendous, tremendous football game."

For the Trojans, what started out as Rose Bowl aspirations have turned into hopes of keeping a winning record. After a convincing 61-7 rout of Arizona to start the season, the USC offense began to show signs of weakness in its running game, which has normally been the Trojans' bread and butter.

"After a 24-21 squeaker against San Diego State, Southern Cal's troubles intensified against Pac-10 opponents. A triple-overtime 33-30 loss to Oregon dropped USC out of the national rankings, and a fourth-quarter comeback by Oregon State was prevented only by a goal line stand with 21 seconds left. In all three games, the Trojans averaged fewer than 125 rushing yards a game. Still, Davie said he believes shutting down the running game will be a major factor in this weekend's matchup.

"I think SC will come in here and try to run the football on us," Davie said. "They had some success last year. I think that program has been built on a strong running game over the years. I look for them to come in and try to run the football."

That running attack utterly collapsed in the Southern Cal's last game, a 31-24 loss to Arizona. In that game, the Trojan ground game actually had -- 20 rushing yards, largely the result of seven Wildcat sacks. Even more perplexing was the inconsistency of leading Trojan ground-gainer Chad Morton, who was a major factor in last year's win over the Irish. After a season-high 151-yard game the week before against Oregon State, the senior fullback had only mustered 28 yards on 14 carries.

On defense, the Trojans allowed 550 total yards, 330 of them on the ground, the most since 1991.

"Arizona sacked them quite a few times," Davie said about the game. "Then again, [USC] threw the ball a lot. They spread out. I'm not sure they really tried to run the football on Arizona probably because of their scheme. They probably felt like throwing the football against that scheme was the best thing to do."

Despite the recent downturn in luck for the Trojans, senior members of the Irish squad are keenly aware of the importance of this game. Three years have come and gone, all with close results, but not a win. This weekend gives the Class of 2000 one last shot at victory over their fiercest rivals.

"We haven't beaten USC since we've been here," senior fullback Joey Goodspeed said. "A win against them, would make our senior year all the better. Before we got here, we had something like a 12-game unbeaten streak against them. I remember all the games that we've lost against them, and it's just kind of motivated us that way."
Cooper delivers hits for Irish

Cooper was something special in Deke Cooper from the beginning.

Although Cooper practiced with the offense and caught a pass against Purdue, Davie wanted Cooper in his defensive backfield. The then Irish defensive end, however, went to head coach Lou Holtz the week before the Air Force game in 1996 to request Cooper move to defense. Holtz agreed — under one condition.

"Cooper told me he could have me," Davie said. "But he had to start." 

With just a week's worth of practice at free safety under his belt, Cooper got his first start against the Air Force Academy and its complicated wishbone offense.

"It was scary," Cooper said of his first starting assignment. "It was real scary. I wasn't really prepared to play at the time but I was glad that coach had confidence in me and I played the best I could." 

Cooper was so unfamiliar with the defensive system, that Davie bobbled out checks and formations to the freshman from the sideline. "I was in the formation — watch the wishbone, watch the pass," Cooper said. "There was like 100 different things going through my mind at the time.

Davie found the quiet crowd bitersweet during the 20-17 loss.

"In one way I am glad our crowd wasn't up close that day because you could stand there and hear out checks to Cooper," Davie said.

Things have definitely changed for the young Cooper. The once confused freshman in his first start is now a veteran senior with 19 starts under his belt and helping out other young starters learning the defense.

"Now that's my job," Cooper said. "It's funny, time just flew by. I can remember the time when he was shouting calls to me, now I am shouting calls to Cliff (Jefferson) or (Ron) Israel.

The road from freshman to leader has not been easy for Cooper, however.

After starting six games as a freshman and finishing second on the team with three interceptions, Cooper started only two games last season. He redshirted Cooper played backup to senior Jarvis Edison for most of the season.

The frustration of not starting hit him a bit in attitude in the classroom. Cooper stopped going to class and watched his grade point average slip.

"I came in my freshman year and started six games," his dad said. "So I was thinking all the time that I got the hang of this. So when my sophomore year came and I wasn't playing as much, I started getting down on myself. I stopped going to class and I was just down.

In the spring of his sophomore year, Davie invited Cooper into his office. Davie said Cooper was going to sit out spring practice to get his grades up.

Cooper was technically academically eligible but Davie didn't like the way Cooper's grades were slipping and wanted Cooper back on track academically without football disturbing him.

Cooper was surprised at the suspension.

"It was kind of like a slap in the face," he said. "When coach told me that I couldn't play spring ball, I was like, 'Wow.' I never had to sit out anything before.

He considered transferring to a school less concerned with academics. "I decided to tough it out," he said.

Davie is proud Cooper brought up his grades and redefined himself. He has seen a change in Cooper since the suspension.

"We held him out of spring practice for a reason — to make an emphasis on him what was really important," Davie said. "He's come back from that and he's going to graduate from Notre Dame. Not many places in the country would hold you out of spring football when you don't do it. That was something we did as a coaching staff — something I think that's helped his development.

"I'm proud of the way he responded," Davie said. "We could have held him out of spring practice and he could have packed his bags and gone someplace else where they wouldn't have held him out. He took the suspension and he's a better person because of it.

Cooper has bounced back strongly from his suspension, he earned a 3.083 in the fall of his junior year and this fall he received academic accolades for earning a 3.6 GPA in the summer semester.

Cooper has become a better football player since sitting out the spring practice.

As a junior he started five games and made 78 tackles.

One of those tackles especially stands out in Cooper and every Irish fan's mind — his tackle of Boston College running back Mike Cloud just a yard short of the goal line on fourth down to preserve the 31-26 Notre Dame victory.

A wide grin spreads across Cooper's face when he recalls the tackle.

"I was hurt that game," he said. "I sat out the whole fourth quarter because of a hyper extended elbow and A'Jani (Sanders) was playing. But then A'Jani got hurt — he had a hip pointer — so I had to play. There were three great plays before mine so I can't really say I saved the game. Because without those three plays, I never would have had a chance to make a play.

Cooper and Sanders have a special relationship in the defensive secondary. The two seniors alternated at free safety last year before Cooper moved to become the starting free safety this year.

"Deke is a quiet leader," Sanders said. "He leads by action. I look at him some times when I am down and he keeps me going.

While Cooper has been the motivating spark on defense for most the season, he was down a bit after the Michigan State loss. He barely missed a game saving tackle on Gari Scott's 80-yard touchdown catch.

"That was real disappointing," he said. "I had to sit for two weeks and think about that. I felt I let the team down. I let myself down. That was one play. I've made better plays and I will make more plays so I can't let that one play get me down.

Cooper has made plenty of plays since that missed tackle. Cooper had one of the best games of his career against Arizona State last Saturday. He picked off a pass and recovered two San Divil fumbles to account for three of the Notre Dame's six forced turnovers.

"I am finally getting into the groove of things and getting constant big plays," Cooper said. "You can't make a big play one week and then go five weeks without making a big play.

Cooper is also one of the hardest hitters on the team. Many wide receivers have paid the price for running over the middle with Cooper and Sanders roaming the field.

Both safeties are in constant competition to out do one another on the field.

"I get back there and me and AJ (A'Jani) Sanders always try to go back there and out do each other," Cooper said. "Sort of like that Michael Jordan commercial — anything you can do I can do better. If he makes a play that means I have to make a play.

Cooper gets a special feeling when he really crushes an opponent.

"It's a great feeling," he said. "You are standing over them and they can't say anything. All they can do is say nice hit or stay down.

As long as Cooper is in an Irish uniform, it might be better for Notre Dame opponents to stay down.

up close & personal with Deke Cooper

Deke Cooper signals for an incompletion after he collided, with Jayhawk wide receiver Termaline Fulton in the air and jarred the ball loose.

Deke Cooper free safety

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Soward poses threat as receiver, on special teams

By BRIAN KESSLER
Sports Editor

Last Saturday, the Irish defense took care of J.R., as in Redmond. This Saturday, they will try to shut down R. Jay, as in Soward.

Soward, a 1999 pre-season All-American, torched the Trojans last season. This year he comes to Notre Dame looking to do similar damage.

"Obviously No. 18 R. Jay jumps out at you," head coach Bob Davie said at this week's press conference. "We all know we've all been out there on the field with him and see how every time he's out there, it's one play away from a home run."

Soward is off to a quick start once again this season. He is averaging 11.8 yards on 20 receptions with a touchdown.

"He's one of the greatest receivers I've seen," South Carolina head coach Lou Holtz said. "Throw him a 4-yard hitch and he can turn it into a 70-yard gain. He reminds me so much of flagihi Ismail, the way he does things with his quickness, abilities and talent.

Soward, who is on the 1999 Biletnikoff Award "Watch List," scored a touchdown every 7.8 times he touched the ball in his career (29 touchdowns on 225 plays).

In a triple overtime loss to Oregon, he had a career-high 12 receptions and 148 receiving yards. In last week's game against Arizona, however, Soward suffered a concussion and caught just three passes.

"It's scary," USC quarter-back Mike Van Haaphorst said. "He's got a gear when he gets going. He puts it in gear and it's like the Millennium Falcon, he puts it in super-space. On a deep route you just try to get back as quick as you can and throw it as far as you can. I have yet to see him under-throw. No matter how far you throw it, if you put enough air on it, he's going to catch up with the ball."

Soward is also a threat on special teams.

He ranks fourth in the country in punt returns, averaging 17.5 yards.

Soward earned Pac-10 special teams player of the week honors following the Oregon State game where he returned a punt 85 yards for a touchdown. He averages 21.5 yards on kickoff returns.

"I can't imagine there are many receivers in this country better than him," Davie said.

"He reminds me an awful lot of Terry Glenn, who played at Ohio State. He's an excellent return man and a game-breaker player."

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fast facts

**ABOUT USC**

- **Location:** Los Angeles, Calif.
- **Enrollment:** 26,100
- **Colors:** cardinal and gold
- **Nickname:** Trojans
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**USC wide receiver R. Jay Soward heads up field after a catch in last year’s 10-0 victory over Notre Dame. Soward caught seven passes for 124 yards against the Irish last season.**
Penn State tries to extend winning streak

By TIM CASEY
Sports Writer

Penn State looks to extend its winning streak to nine when it plays host to Ohio State Saturday.

Penn State, fresh off a 31-7 victory over Iowa last week, comes into the game as one of eight undefeated teams in the country, while Ohio State is an uncharacteristic 4-2 after losing to Miami and Wisconsin.

On offense, Penn State rotates quarterbacks with Rashard Casey and Kevin Thompson sharing the role. Casey, the more athletic of the signal callers, has put up the better statistics. For the season, Casey has completed 37 of 52 pass attempts for 372 yards and five touchdown passes. He is also the team's second-leading rusher with 202 yards and three touchdowns.

Pre-season All-American LaVar Arrington leads the Penn State defense. He has 27 tackles on the season. Arrington, however, is not the only star on the other side of the ball. Brandon Short leads the team in tackles with 43, while Courtney Brown has been a menace, recording seven sacks and 13 tackles for a loss in the first six games.

Ohio State heads to Happy Valley after a come-from-behind victory over Purdue last week. Jonathan Wells' 2-yard touchdown run with 5 minutes and 13 seconds to play and a subsequent two-point conversion by Michael Wiley provided the difference in the 25-23 victory over Notre Dame. The Buckeyes have split time at quarterback, with Madei Williams and Ralph Woodcock giving Nunes and Williams two viable targets. The duo has combined for 349 yards receiving and six touchdown receptions thus far.

No. 5 Michigan State at No. 20 Purdue
The schedule does not get much easier for undefeated Michigan State as it takes on Purdue. A week after upsetting Michigan 34-31, the Spartans face one of the nation's finest passers in Drew Brees.

Brees, a Heisman trophy candidate, has thrown for 1,813 yards and 11 touchdowns on the season but has hurt his award chances in the past two weeks after losing games to Michigan and Ohio State.

Michigan State has an accomplished signal caller of its own in Bill Burke. The left-hander has completed 92 of 161 pass attempts on the season for 1,309 yards and 13 touchdowns.

But the star on the Spartan offense is wide receiver Plaxico Burress. Possibly the best wideout in the country now that Florida State's Peter Warrick is out of action, the 6-foot-6 Burress is on a tear. In last week's game Burress caught 10 passes for a season-record 255 yards to inflate his season totals to 32 catches. He is averaging 18.1 yards per catch on the season.

Besides Brees, Purdue also has two other main threats on offense. Chris Daniels is among the nation's leaders in receptions with 57 catches of touchdowns in the first six games of the season.
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Davie looks for first win over Trojans

Bob Davie is certainly no stranger to facing adversity. He's finally showed that his team has ability with turnaround performances against Oklahoma and Arizona State at home. Now it's time to prove it again.

Of all the teams that Davie has faced more than once, only the Spartans of Michigan State and the Trojans of USC have never lost to the Irish. Notre Dame may have God on its side, but Zeus seems to be the bigger college football fan so far.

Obviously, Davie and the Irish have spent the last few weekends on a campaign to regain their name. Now it's time for them to break another streak. This one of two consecutive losses to the Trojans (barring if you count 1996, Lou Holtz's last year as head coach here). The Irish are going to be in good company this weekend. USC is coming into this game after a loss to Arizona last weekend, a loss that pushed them off the Associated Press top 25.

Nothing will move them back faster than a win against a resurgent Notre Dame. And, of course, nothing will continue to build confidence in the Irish than a win against the Trojans, breaking another streak that Davie and company would soon like to forget.

Forgetting the past shouldn't be that hard for an Irish team that recently resembles the team that started the season 1-2. Jarious Jackson, who threw six interceptions in those three losses, has turned his game around with six touchdown passes in the past two games — all with no interceptions. Jackson now stands as the third most efficient passer in the country.

Yet Jackson still has much to prove against the Trojans, not having ever started a game against USC. His injury a year ago kept him from playing in this game and helped USC shutout the Irish on weak efforts from backup quarterbacks Arnaz Battle and Eric Chapelle. The injury bug that affected the Irish a year ago has returned to hit the Trojans this year. With sophomore starter Carson Palmer out with a broken collarbone, USC has turned to junior Mike VaPaaschot in the pocket.

The difference between the Irish of last year and the Trojans of this year is that Van Raaphorst is having a decent time hitting his receivers.

Having started the first eight games a year ago, Van Raaphorst is well positioned as the USC signal-caller. Freshman Kareem Kelly has done an excellent job getting open downfield, leading his team with 25 receptions. Despite suffering a concussion last week, veteran receiver R. Jay Soward is a constant threat downfield for Van Raaphorst.

Of course, USC's best aspect is from Notre Dame's weakest matchup. The Irish secondary, once thought to be questionable, has turned into a solid unit and can confidently keep the Trojans on the ground.

Doing that puts the pressure on an Irish defense that has done fairly well against the running game.

Stakes high in USC-Notre Dame rivalry game

Rivalries. There's something about them that causes people to get into an uncontrolled frenzy. Those games mean more than anything. For USC, part one of the traditional rivalry games comes this Saturday against Notre Dame. At 3-2 overall and with dim hopes of going to the Rose Bowl, this (and UCLA) is one of the few things USC has left to play for in its season.

These games mean so much that if the Trojans go 4-2 the rest of the way but those two losses come against the Irish and Bruins, the season would be a wanted one.

Everyone affiliated with USC is already discounted. Who can blame them? A team expected to finish at least second in the conference hasn't been all that impressive.

Starting quarterback Carson Palmer is gone. New starter Mike VaPaaschot is beleaguered. USC can't run the ball out of the stadium, much less for first down. The defense gave up 22 points in one fourth quarter against Oregon State; an ugly performance against Arizona; a triple-overtime loss in Oregon — the list goes on and on.

Those cries of "Off with Paul Hackett's head" will only get louder. After a year in which fans are pretty impatient. Some of them have been waiting 20 years for a national championship.

But sooner or later, they'll also realize it's 1999, not 1979. Wake up, old timers: There's this thing called parity these days. Nobody is powerhouse anymore. There are programs who will field good teams year after year but will never be untouchable (yes, this is for you, Irish, and Trojan fans).

People are being unreasonable. All the criticism of Hackett is unfair. Hackett has been here for a year and a half, after all. For all his questionable decisions (can you say fourth-and-137), he has made the most of what was given to him.

All of this season's disasters aren't completely Hackett's fault. People are being injured left and right. The offensive line to refocus. The defense is still developing. He's only had two recruiting classes, neither of which has fully been utilized yet.

The time is now, though. Hackett must get things going. The offensive juggernaut hasn't materialized yet this year. Defense is doing its job for the most part, but can't carry the team forever.

People have to forget about everything that's wrong with each team. This is the rivalry people grow up watching. Everyone already knows there's a lot at stake, but when those two teams hit the gridiron Saturday, all the records will be thrown out the window.

This game will prove whether the Trojans have strong character or not. It will prove if Hackett knows how to rally his troops and coach them well. Notre Dame has momentum. The Irish have Jarious Jackson. They will be up their own home turf.

And when all is said and done, everyone will witness a great battle. Isn't that what this is all about anyway?

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