One in four women is raped or sexually assaulted before finishing college.*

Forty-two percent of victims keep silent about the crime.

From Notre Dame, this is

One Victim's Voice

I have asked to remain anonymous because, to this day, being raped still affects me. In the beginning, people were mad at me and wanted to hurt me. I am still scared that somebody may retaliate against me because they do not believe me. I cannot take that risk. I have already been hurt enough.

"Emily"

Editor's Note: "Emily" and "Kelly" are pseudonyms.

On the shelf of a University issue wardrobe, a white cardboard box sits squashed between a navy nylon sleeping bag and a four-cup Mr. Coffee maker. Shaped like an oversized cereal box, it arrived more than two years ago at Farley Hall, a care package for a freshman from her mom. An $8 postage sticker still clings to the box's top, but the worth of its present contents far exceeds the cash spent to ship cookies across country.

This box protects artifacts of a two-year psychological warfare waged by Emily, a Notre Dame junior, and initiated by a violent battle of strength and sexual violation. The box holds evidence: a pair of black khaki pants and a beige button-down shirt spotted with blood, tidily folded by the 5-foot-9, 120-pound woman who wore them on Oct. 12, 1997. It also preserves journals, letters, a statement to Student Affairs — written recollections of a terrifying night. A book of case law summaries and highlighted legal paragraphs on victims' rights line the bottom of the package.

One in four women might understand completely the contents of Emily's box because one-quarter of women are raped or sexually assaulted before finishing college, according to American Medical Association statistics. Of these crimes, 57 percent occur on dates. Twenty-five percent of men admit having behaved aggressively. Forty-two percent of victims tell no one about the crime.

Emily's experience belongs in all these categories. It began, as she remembers, at Bridget McGuire's Filling Station, a notorious hang-out for students lucky enough to hold IDs with altered birth dates or the driver's licenses of generous older friends. The dingy underbar, converted into a coffee shop after Indiana state cops busted more than 100 teems there in 1998, was hopping with glittered freshmen guzzling 22-ounce Bud Light bottles on that Saturday night in the fall of 1997. After 2-1/2 hours of bouncing to Bruce Springsteen and DJ Kool, Emily noticed her friend Kelly's boyfriend stroll in with a friend at his side. The guys quickly filled up with lager.

Just after 2 a.m., when Bridget's employees flipped on the lights to expose dozens of recently malted couples and hundreds of empty brown glass bottles, Emily, Kelly and the two guys boarded a cab at Corby and Eddy Streets. On the three-minute ride to Main Circle, roughly 10 students crammed into the station wagon taxi. Kelly and her man nestled somewhere in the back; Emily and the other guy shared the passenger's seat in front.

After a quick walk from the Circle, Emily, her friend and the two guys sneaked into a West Quad men's dorm after parents. Before Kelly and her boozed date retreated to privacy, they asked Emily to help their incapable buddy to his third-floor double. She obliged.

At around 3 in the morning, Emily took the guy to his room and waited nervously at the door for the moment to escape from a dorm on all-male lockdown. The man then rose, stripped to his underwear, flexed his arm muscles in the mirror and shoved a movie into the VCR. Emily remained near the door, planning how to leave the building without getting caught. She wondered if walking home alone so late at night put her in danger of being assaulted.

Then, the man invited Emily to the loveseat and kissed her gen­tly.

Unsafe of her surroundings, Emily immediately tried to evade his touch. She said no. Then ten­derness became force. The man pounced Emily with his 5-foot-9, 190-pound frame and wrestled her pants off. He raped her orally and vaginally and tried to rape her analy. Afraid he'd hurt her, Emily submitted. Too stunned to scream, she kept silent.

*Forty-two percent of victims keep silent about the crime.
PREDATOR AMONG US

Four thousand, nine hundred and eight freshmen are学期, and it's not just a stranger you need to worry about. The victim has chosen not to press charges, and so the Office of Student Affairs will take no action to discipline the accused. I am disturbed and disgusted that 68 percent of rape victims know the perpetrator. We need to join together and let the administration know that we will not allow our safety to be compromised.

To the rapist: Maybe you thought that she didn’t mean it when she said "No." Or maybe you thought that she'll get over it. If that's what you think, read the story oh the front page of today's edition of the Inside. It says "No, not just another rape." It says we are not counted, that we are not equal.

Barbara J. Lemke
Assistant Director of the Center for Bio-Ethical Reform

OUTSIDE THE DOME

Anti-bullying group cancels visit to Indiana U.

The Penn State student question opposite-sex living

UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa. Haverford College decided last week to open its on-campus apartment-style housing to students who want to room with the opposite sex, a move that Pennsylvania State University housing officials don't plan to copy in the near future. Fred Fotis, director of Residence Life, said the issue is complicated and while it can't be ruled out completely for future Penn State students, the problems for any state institution are different than those of private colleges. "I'm sure that some people would have a negative response if any state institution— not just Penn State— would do this," Fotis said. Money could be a danger to legislators, private contributors, parents or even students opposed the idea of allowing students to share rooms with the opposite sex, Fotis said. The option at Haverford College, a small, private school near Philadelphia, will be offered during an experimental period in Fall Semester 2000. Requests from gay and lesbian students, who said they often feel uncomfortable sharing rooms with members of the same sex, helped inspire the policy.

LOCAL WEATHER

5 Day South Bend Forecast

Versity.com to test program at U. Michigan

ANN ARBOR, Mich. Versity.com will test new notes program at U. Michigan. The test, centered around the note-taking service Versity.com has focused on the lack of profes- sor permission given to the paid note-takers, but Versity's new Pilot Program requires professor notification before the notes hit the web. Versity On-Campus market representative Daniel Wolf said the quality of notes increases when students and professors are more aware of the website's impact. The professors can even offer up some of their top students for note-taking and check their notes to assure quality, he said. University faculty have mixed reactions to commercial notetakers. Political science professor Douglas Lenko allows Grade-A Notes to be provided for his students. He wants students to be able to rake up if they miss class but he said he thinks it's not good for students to depend on it. "It's an added supplement for classes, it is not meant as a way not to go to class but a place to go to check out notes to add to yours," Wolf said.

NATIONAL WEATHER

The AccuWeather forecast for noon, Friday, Apr. 7

The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.
Rapagnani: Legality, bandwidth concerns in Napster ban

By KIFLIN TURNER

The decision to put the computer program Napster on moratorium is causing an ongoing controversy at universities all across the country. Napster is an application that allows its users to share digital files in a unique file-sharing system. "I have a committee that advises me on computer information technology policies and procedures on campus - comprised of students, faculty and staff members," said Larry Rapagnani, assistant provost of Information Technology, who emphasized that it was not his decision to block Napster.

"There are a couple of reasons why the University decided to block Napster - one is a security issue that we do not totally understand, the second is a bandwidth utilization issue, or anything associated with accessing network information, and lastly, we can't prove anything, but trading in Napster space is typically trading music files, or mp3 files, that because of our past history with mp3s here on campus and other campuses really deals with illegally copied music," Rapagnani said.

Napster users are able to copy and download files from the hard drives of other Napster users.

"We do not know that for a fact, but it is highly suspected that Napster was put up for the free and easy exchange of mp3 files," said Rapagnani. The Record Industry Association of America has notified the University that people on campus have been found using Napster to distribute these files, infringing upon copyrights.

"We did not want really frivolous use of the Internet in the way of doing real business because we design and build information systems to take care of the business needs on campus," said Rapagnani. "I have the possible use of Information Technology Services document produced by the Office of Information Technology includes in its document that some "non-commercial users are permitted by the Faculty, Staff, and students if they are not excessive, do not interfere with the performance of any faculty, staff member, or student duties, do not interfere with the efficient operation of the University or its computing resources."

"We recognize that frivolous use on Napster. Frivolous use in and by itself is not a problem," said Rapagnani. The problem is, he says, when this use consumes 40 percent of available bandwidth. Rapagnani stated that traffic is highest when students in the residence halls tend to use the network - from 10 p.m. to 2:30 a.m.

"We still want to afford you the opportunity to do the exploratory part of Napster on campus in 1997, that you still value it as a principle of the University, but do it by itself is not acceptable because of the bandwidth," said Rapagnani.

Rapagnani helped to establish ResNet in 1997, an intra-residence campus network system that allows students access to the Internet 24 hours faster than a telephone line and modem.

"We are entirely hopeful that we will find that infrasctructure so that you can use ResNet and are advancing your intellectual knowledge," said Rapagnani. Rapagnani said that the University is well aware, however, that ResNet is not used for purely academic purposes.

"We also know that you explore, which is great - we just need to coatch the exploration part in some sort of parameter such that you still value a principle of principles that govern your behavior," he said. "We are here to get you guys an education - that is what we want, that is what we are asking and we want you to enjoy your experience in doing so."

Bandwidth utilization abilities are significantly diminished when Napster is in use, making it much more difficult for students, faculty and staff to access information.

"Fetching resources off the Internet could take longer, in fact, in some cases it can be blocked out entirely," Larry Rapagnani assistant provost of Information Technologies said.

"We do not want to get into this business - that is not our expertise," Rapagnani said. "While Napster is unsure of the measurements that will be taken in the future with regulating the use of Napster, he is confident that in the full things will be different.

"We are planning network upgrades for the future, while you are all are gone to enhance that capacity of our on-campus network," Rapagnani said. The decision to block Napster presently was a well-planned and thought-out decision, according to Rapagnani. Thus, that a great deal of organization and planning must take place to implement future applications, designing a network, and upgrading to acquire resources.

"What you need to do is take a more holistic approach, so it is not just like flipping a switch and you get more bandwidth - it is not that easy. You have to design these things and that takes time," said Rapagnani.

Every school in America is grappling with how to deal with Napster, Rapagnani said. "There is a real intent on putting Napster out of business; we are more interested in understanding how we have a relationship with this entity and how we can still provide you access for exploration purposes to do whatever you want restricted within the ethical confines that hopefully you are operating within, and still allow you to do the things reasonable students will want to do," Rapagnani said.

The time spent over the summer organizing and upgrading will give the University time to review plausible options that will hopefully establish a more comprehensive relationship with Napster.

"We just wanted to take some time to study and see what is effective for Notre Dame and do what is right for you," Rapagnani said. Napster has recently received attacks from the RIAA, but Rapagnani said that the mp3 files do not reside on the RIAA's server and Napster does not charge fees for its services, Napster claims that the complaints have no applicable legal grounds.
Speaker of the House to lecture Saturday

Speaker of the House Dennis Hastert will deliver the University of Notre Dame’s C. Hobert Hanley Lecture Saturday (Apr. 8) at 2:30 p.m. in the auditorium of the Hesburgh Center for International Studies on campus. The topic of the address will be “The 106th Congress: A Report from the Speaker.”

Elected Speaker of the House in January 1999, Hastert represents Illinois’ 14th Congressional District west of Chicago—a suburban area of high tech firms, small and large industrial complexes and farmland. First elected to the House of Representatives in 1986, he previously had taught government and history for 16 years at Yorkville High School in northern Illinois.

Prior to his election as Speaker, Hastert served as Chief Deputy Majority Whip. He also served as chairman of the House Government Reform and Oversight Committee’s National Security, International Affairs and Criminal Justice Subcommittee. The subcommittee had broad oversight responsibilities for the Departments of State, Defense and Justice; it also oversaw the nation’s War on Drugs effort. He also served as a member of the House Commerce Committee, whose jurisdiction includes energy policy, interstate and foreign commerce, broadcast and telecommunications policy, food, health and drug issues.

Hastert has been the House Republican point person on health care reform since 1992. In that capacity, he served as the only House Republican on Hillary Clinton’s Health Care Task Force in 1993, then chaired the Speaker’s Steering Committee on Health and the Resource Group on Health. He helped author the health care reform bill signed into law by President Clinton in 1996 to expand health care coverage to the uninsured.

Also during his years in Congress, Hastert has championed legislation to reform the federal budget process, balance the budget and cut government waste. He also led a nationwide fight to repeal the Social Security earnings test levied on senior citizens. He worked on and passed legislation to reduce government regulations in areas such as telecommunications and trucking.

Prior to his election to Congress, Hastert served three terms in the Illinois General Assembly, where he spearheaded legislation on child abuse prevention, property tax reform, educational excellence and economic development. Hastert is a 1964 graduate of Wheaton College and earned his master’s degree from Northern Illinois University at DeKalb.

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Study like a rock star
World Health Organization: Access to safe blood needed

More than half of the world's countries fail to perform full tests on donated blood, increasing the risk of spreading AIDS and other diseases, the World Health Organization said Friday. From 2 to 10 percent of people with the HIV virus are estimated to be infected via blood transfusions, said Yasuhiro Suzuki, director of WHO's health technologies division. "Reliable and safe blood supply is still out of reach for untold millions of people around the world," WHO Director-General Gro Harlem Brundtland said in a statement marking World Blood Donor Day on Friday. She blamed a "lack of commitment and support on the part of many governments." Annually, more than 13 million units of blood — almost one-fifth of the world’s annual consumption — are not used for all transfusions that could be transmitted by transfusions, WHO said.

Jamaica to limit water supply

The Jamaican government announced Thursday it will shut off water supply in some areas for several hours per day in response to a 4-month-old drought in the Caribbean nation. The government’s National Water Commission will begin "locking off" the water supply to parts of Kingston for as long as eight hours a day starting Tuesday, with other parts of the country to follow, Water Minister Karl Blythe said. "We may find it necessary to decrease the (water supply) so, say, a lower number of hours per day, maybe 16 hours in the first instance," Blythe said. Water levels at the two reservoirs serving Kingston, the Jamaican capital, have grown dangerously low.

Russia

Putin looks to strengthen European ties

Associated Press

MOSCOW

With Russia's relationship with the United States souring, President Vladimir Putin is trying to edge closer to the European Union and use its growing international clout to offset Washington. Boris Yeltsin, Putin's predecessor, made much of his backslapping, first-name "Bill and Boris" relationship with President Clinton — which paid off in U.S.-supported loans and other aid.

But ties with the United States have frayed in recent years over issues such as the U.S.-led bombing of Yugoslavia and U.S. allegations of Russian government corruption. Now Putin is likely to focus on strengthening ties with the EU and pay less attention to the United States, analysts say.

His strategy, however, could be hampered by growing European criticism of the war in Chechnya. On Thursday, Council of Europe delegates recommended suspending Russia from the human rights body unless it moves to end the conflict.

Putin has made clear he sees Russia's future as lying with Europe. "Russia is a part of European culture. I simply cannot see my country isolated from Europe, from what we often describe as the civilized world," he said in March.

Since taking power, Putin has gone out of his way to court European governments, while having few contacts with the United States. His first meeting with a Western leader was with British Prime Minister Tony Blair in March.

Two weeks later, he called Blair by his first name during a televised phone call to congratulate Putin on his March 26 election victory.

And Europe has responded to his approaches. The European Commission said in a congratulatory message that it looked forward to renewing its partnership with Russia. Two top EU officials were to begin talks Friday in Moscow on preparing for a May EU-Russia summit.

Moscow's feelings are prompted by fears that the impoverished and militarily weakened Russia will be shut out of decisions on war, peace and trade on the continent by growing European integration.

IRAQ

U.S.-British bombing kills 14 in no-fly zone

Associated Press

BAGHDAD

U.S. and British warplanes struck targets in southern Iraq on Thursday, and the Iraqi military said they hit residential areas, killing 14 civilians and injuring 19. The U.S. military confirmed that planes carried out strikes, but said they were against military targets in response to attacks by Iraqi anti-aircraft artillery. A spokesman said there was no immediate indication of Iraqi casualties.

The official Iraqi news agency's report, which cited an unidentified Iraqi Air Defense spokesman, did not specify the nature of targets hit or their exact location, but said the jets flew over six provinces in the southern no-fly zone.

"The American and British criminals added another crime to their barbaric arts ... when their naze bombed residential areas and civil installations," the agency said.

At U.S. Center Command in Tampa, Fla., spokesman Lt. Col. Rick Thomas said the strikes were aimed at Iraqi military targets.

"They fired at us today. We struck in response to that," Thomas said, adding that U.S. pilots attacked as a rule to minimize the risk of civilian casualties.

The number of deaths reported in the strikes was the highest since Aug. 31, when Iraq said 19 civilians were killed and 11 were injured during attacks in northern and southern Iraq. On Tuesday, authorities reported that strikes had killed two people and injured two in the south.

Iraq does not recognize the no-fly zones set up after the 1991 Gulf War to provide aerial protection from government forces for Shiites and Kurds in the north. It began challenging the patrols in December 1998, and allied forces have responded by firing on Iraqi anti-aircraft and radar installations.
**Victim**

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"I was dislocated from my body," Emily says. "I can picture the things happening. I had just hundreds. While he was raping me, I had to treat it like a nightmare."

He ordered Emily — now a hollow puppet — to move to the bed. There, he raped her again. And while she rolled over on the twin-extra-long mattress, she noticed the digital clock — 6:12. At 8 a.m., she awoke to another series of rape. And at 10, when he finally finished, he sat on the edge of the bed, watched Emily dress herself and informed her that she will attend the night’s events: He didn’t want his girlfriend to know.

She slammed down the stairs. Emily flew out of the dorm. She took the last bus after October break, he told his Welsh Family Hall, across the Circle toward Fitzpatrick, past the hanging gym, to the Left, past the Library, toward O’Shaughnessy, past Riley, around Stedman Chemistry, to Stonehenge, to the second floor of Farley. Emily avoided the center of campus because Rulliana services were in progress. She didn’t want Sunday Masses, dusk to see her. They were good people, and they would know she was a slut.

Her next move initiated Emily as a bad rape victim, she says. After pulling up her shirt and kluhks, Emily took a long, long shower, destroying physical evidence of sexual assault. For nearly five days, she pretended the rape didn’t happen. She told her roommates she spent Saturday night in Kelly’s room. She told Kelly she’d cleansed on the guy’s couch.

Like a typical rape victim, Emily avoided the truth, escaping to a corner of the garden on a Friday.

Emily explains, "All Emily’s test results were negative, but the fresh­man still believed she could have HIV. "When I came back from fall break, I wanted to die. I didn’t want to kill myself, but I secretly hoped I had AIDS so I would die.”

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Emily’s roommates recognized this extreme alert­ness. One Friday night soon after the rape, she and six friends had trekked on a rocky path between Vanessa Street and Juniper Road — the route between Turtle Creek Apartments and campus, heavily trafficked on weekend nights. With Loftus to the right and a practice baseball diamond to the left, the group paused on the drum trail so a girl could use the bushes behind tennis courts. She didn’t feel safe, so someone accompanied her to keep a look­out.

"Emily went nuts," says Sarah Spring, one of Emily’s three freshman­year roommates, who was at the scene.

She was screaming. She kept saying, "Keep talking to me. Don’t stop talking to me." She really thought something would happen to her. She really thought something was going to happen to her, and said, "Last weekend I got raped.”

For the rest of the first semester of their freshman year, Sarah and another roommate fixed for Emily trudged for trips to the Grotto and studying for finals, to report Emily’s silence but urged her to report the crime to Student Affairs. There was no police report or advice from professional coun­selors, as dreams just snapped. Emily had numbness of just three months from her sleep.

"She would wake up and cry because she was afraid of her sleep," says Emily. "She would have nightmares that she couldn’t wear her white dress because she wasn’t a virgin anymore. "Halloween was ridiculous. We went to a party in Alumni [Hall], and Emily and I dressed like the smell of alcohol would bring it back for her. But she couldn’t do it. She said she had to disconnect herself from her sleep."

Emily went to Notre Dame, despite constant fear that she’d see her alleged attacker in the dining hall or on the way class. Just as she agonized over her friend’s fate as they went on dates or to bars, she worried about women who met them daily, women oblivious to his violent past. That was a danger looming over Notre Dame students finally­ motivated Emily to take her case to Residence Life. Before Thanksgiving, she composed a six-page, single-spaced rec­ollection of the early morning of Oct. 12, 1997. On Dec. 11, she met her alleged assailant face-to-face.

A Student Affairs hearing is not like court. No judge presides, no lawyers argue, nobody takes notes, and no keep statements given inside meet­ings room confidential. Victims and defendants can bring in advocates, friends, student government volunteers, FAs, Parents, tatoes. Fans barely advocate, and in most cases, their direct involvement is minimal. In the end, a panel of three Residence Life administrators reviews evidence, statements and victim accounts, and decides whether to discipline the accused.

In sexual assault cases, victims drive the process. They can refuse to move forward, to have their hearing, to have nation­wide meetings. Emily asked to have the hearing moved. A Student Affairs anonymously, drop a case at any time, demand a hearing, but no one can move on. There’s no time limit.

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long shot, that her rapist might be mere­ly dis­mised.

Ex­actly three months after the re­port­ed rape, Emily met with a Student Affairs administrator. Her assault would be dis­missed from Notre Dame in ac­cordance with the student handbook. She would be forbidden from cam­pus grounds. The con­ver­sation hap­pened just days after Emily had glanced across a DeBartolo lecture hall and spot­ted her alleged rapist prepa­ring to take philosophy notes. He glared at her. She lost her voice. She became nauseated. She left class.

Since she was raped, Emily has over­heard her story dis­turbed by strangers. She assumes her alleged assailant con­ducted tests to ex­plain his expul­sion or the fall night he spent locked in his room. Those rumors, Emily says, multi­ply and fly. “I got called every­thing. They said I was a slut, a good Catholic girl with re­grets. They said my dad was a rich lawyer and that’s how I got out of it. My mom and dad own a produce business. I didn’t ask for this.”

With­out physical evidence, police re­ports or a legally binding ad­mis­sion by the accused rapist, Emily has nearly dis­missed the idea of press­ing civil or crimi­nal charges. No pro­secutor would pick up her case after 2-1/2 years, she’s con­vinced. But the desire to in­form and pro­tect other women has driven Emily to be­come a rape ad­vocate at Notre Dame. She cre­ated an on­line forum, introduced an on­line form for students at Freshman Orientation. She, Sarah, Ti­nu, Vince and an­other friend have made an in­for­ma­tional video for the Uni­versity. And through her work at the Coun­sel­ing Center, she’s met a dozen women who, like herself, fell vic­tim to their accused ra­pists to court suf­fer a pub­lic airing of pri­vate horrors and of­ten are vi­ti­mi­zation again, as defense at­tor­neys at­tempt to undermine women’s cred­i­bil­i­ty. Overall, those who survive rape must edit their world view, explain France. They must under­stand that bad things happen to good people. That justice doesn’t always prevail. Emily’s friends believe she is so strong. As they lived every hellish moment beside her, her roommates thought they would succumb to rape’s oppres­sive at­mos­phere. Barely able to face their own fears about rape, they cannot fathom how Emily survived. But she did.

“She’s come so far with this so quickly. She tries to use it as a tool to help other people,” Sarah says. “She was cute little Emily, very outgoing, very trusting of people.” Even after all this, she is so understanding, so forgiving. This hap­pened to Emily for a reason, because I know other people, and they couldn’t have handled it. I couldn’t have handled it.”

Emily’s box sits unob­trusively on the shelf above black formal dresses and worn run­ning shoes. She opens it about once a month, usu­ally before giv­ing a talk about rape or while shar­ing her ex­pe­rience with a friend or stranger. She adds items occasion­ally — notes from dis­cus­sions she leads, posters ad­vertising der­m rape symposiums, let­ters from other vic­tims she’s met. The stuff jogs memories of anger, pain, regret, but Emily opens the container anyway. Rape is part of her life.

* statistics ac­cording to the American Medical Association

If you would like to dis­cuss this story fur­ther with “Emily,” please con­tact her at talevedmitch@gmail.com.
Tomes, Fogarty share experience ministering to gangs

By PATRICK BRENNAN
News Writer

Ministering to gang members can be dangerous but spiritually fulfilling, said Brother Bill Tomes, who has worked with gang members for more than 17 years. Tomes and Brother Jim Fogarty visited the basement of Fisher Hall Wednesday night to talk about their ministry.

"I started this project six years ago," Tomes said. "Twenty years ago, Christ spoke to me. That spiritual experience laid the groundwork for what I do today. He is convinced that his work is done in accordance with God's plan for him.

"If God wanted this done, he'd have to force it on someone," Brother Bill Tomes minister to gang members.

Tomes and Fogarty spend their days in decidedly volatile surroundings. Every day, the two interact with inner-city youths in various Chicago housing projects.

According to Fogarty, tenacity is of great importance. "When violence is all around you, the sensible thing to do is walk away," he said. "On my first day, I wanted to get out of there, but I thought 'If I walk away, I'll never come back. I stayed, and things got more peaceful.'"

The brothers discussed the danger of working in the projects. Both recounted stories of violence between rival gangs and heroic measures taken to prevent such violence, including the practice of stepping between gang members during shootings.

"People in the neighborhood see you," said Fogarty. "Rifles are built through tragedies. Visiting gang members in the hospital, visiting families when someone gets killed or hurt and stepping between gangs shooting, it's all about proving yourself."

"Paris, a 24-year-old gang member and former drug dealer who accompanied the brothers during their talk, confirmed the importance of connecting with gang members.

"On my first day, I wanted to get out of there, but I thought 'If I walk away, I'll never come back.' I stayed, and things got more peaceful," Tomes said. "This is when I started believing in God," Paris said. "When asked about Tomes, Paris, responded, 'He's like a father to me. I respect him.'"

Tomes, a 14-year-old who has also been a part of the brothers' ministry, also discussed Tomes' impact; he plans to finish school and has no plans to join a gang.

For Tomes, the concessions of this project — that's when I started believing in God," Paris said.

"I've been involved with the brothers since I was a kid, and has no plans to join a gang. For Tomes, the concessions of selfless ministry are not necessarily tangible ones.

"The reward is obedience; we are doing what Christ wants us to do. It's what we're supposed to do," he said.

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Gingrich finalizes second divorce

Associated Press

"She intends to continue with her charity work, including the Red Cross, and she's going to take the next few weeks to examine various opportunities that are now available to her," said Marianne's attorney John Mayne.

Gingrich, 56, separated from his wife last May and filed for divorce in July. His attorneys have acknowledged his relationship with Callista Bisek, a 33-year-old former congressional aide, that began in 1993.

The divorce is Gingrich's second. He married his former high school geometry teacher, Jackie Battley, when he was 18. They were divorced in 1981, after having two daughters. Within months, Gingrich married Marianne, 48, a county planner and business consultant from Ohio.

Lesbian awarded ‘parental’ rights

Associated Press

TRENTON, N.J. - In a ruling on the parental rights of same-sex couples hailed as the strongest to date, the New Jersey Supreme Court declared that lesbian partners who raise children have the same legal rights of any parent when deciding custody issues.

The court unanimously ruled that a lesbian who helped raise her then-lover's twins was a "psychological parent" with legal standing akin to the biological mother, and granted the woman visitation now that the couple has split up.

Legal advocates for gay and lesbian rights called the ruling the broadest to date in the nation and a "game-changer".

In Thursday's ruling, Associate Justice Virginia Long said V.C. carries the status of a "psychological parent" to the children and has a right to share parenting duties, despite the objections of the birth mother, identified only as M.J.B.

"V.C. appears to be a fully capable, loving parent committed to the safety and welfare of the twins," Long wrote.

The ruling maintained V.C.'s rights for weekend visiting with the twins. But Long turned down V.C.'s request for joint legal custody, which would have given her a say regarding decisions on the children's upbringing — only because V.C. has not been involved in decisions regarding upbringing for four years.

"To interject her into the decisional realm at this point would be unnecessarily disruptive for all involved," Long said.

Ruth Harlow, an attorney for the New York-based Lambda Legal Defense & Education Fund, which litigates for the rights of gay and lesbian, said the ruling fell along the lines of a lesbian-parent decision in Wisconsin in 1995. In that ruling, the court ordered a lower court to reconsider its decision to turn down a woman's request for visits with the son of her former lesbian lover.

But the New Jersey Supreme Court, employed a stronger language about the equal legal rights of lesbian partners, Harlow said.

"It is very much focused on making sure that no matter what kind of family a child has been raised in, if someone has functioned as a parent, that person can go into court and ask if it is in the child's best interests to continue that relationship," Harlow said.

The ruling is similar to a Massachusetts high court ruling last June that granted visitation rights to a lesbian who helped raise her ex-partner's son.

By contrast, in California, New York and Florida, state courts have ruled within the past 18 months that lesbian ex-partners are not entitled to visitation rights with children they helped nurture, regardless of how deep the emotional bond.

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Catholic Church seeks return of women who aborted

Associated Press

BOSTON

The Roman Catholic Church has begun a nationwide campaign urging women who have had abortions — and now feel estranged from the faith — to undergo counseling and return to the fold.

Because the Vatican considers abortion the taking of a human life and a mortal sin, some women who have terminated a pregnancy feel unwelcome in church. The Church's goal is to reassure these women and bring them back to Catholicism.

"Many people think that abortion is the unforgivable sin, and that they have severed their tie with the Church forever. In fact it is the complete opposite," Barbara Thorp, director of pro-life services for the Archdiocese of Boston. "We want people to understand that there is nothing that separates us from the love of God."

The campaign also is the Church's first widespread effort to encourage all women, not just Catholics, to seek spiritual help after having abortions.

For that reason, the radio and billboard ads do not mention the Catholic Church but instead have the slogan "Something inside dies after an abortion." They also use the words of women who have had abortions: "Not one day goes by that I don't think of my baby boy," one woman says.

The ads include a toll-free number for Project Rachel, the Church's post-abortion counseling service that began 15 years ago. It is named for a Biblical figure who mourns the death of her children.

Until now, Project Rachel was handled locally through Church literature or radio ads. The wider campaign, organized by the National Conference of Bishops, is pegged to the Church's Jubilee Year, or 2,000th birthday. Reconciliation is one of Pope John Paul II's themes for the celebration.

In an interview, one Boston- area woman said she felt she was "unforgivable" for 20 years after having an abortion. She was a lapsed Catholic and a supporter of the abortion-rights movement in 1997 when she heard a local Project Radio ad on the radio. She sought counseling and wound up returning to the church.

"It gave me a way to make peace with God, my child and myself and to be able to move forward. I wanted a spiritual life," said the 46-year-old businesswoman, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

"I spoke with the most wonderful priest. He was so loving, so nonjudgmental. A few months later I made confession."

The eight-week campaign began Feb. 1 in the Washington area. It starts this month in Nebraska and next month in Boston. Ads are in the works for three more states and 10 more dioceses, depending on funding.

Church officials said the campaign is already having results.

When ads ran in the Washington-Baltimore area, Project Rachel counselors received about 150 calls for information during a two-week period, compared with the usual eight or so, said Helen Alware, spokeswoman for the Washington-Baltimore area, Project Rachel counselors received about 150 calls for information during a two-week period, compared with the usual eight or so, said Helen Alware, spokeswoman for the Washington-Baltimore area.

Michelle Ringuette, spokeswoman for the Planned Parenthood League of Massachusetts, wondered if the ad campaign was timed to coincide with Supreme Court arguments April 25 over the procedure abortion foes call partial- birth abortion.

Ringuette also said the campaign could exaggerate the number of women who suffer severe emotional distress after abortions. Out of 1,000 abortions a month in Massachusetts, she said, only two to four women call for counseling, mostly over religious or cultural shame.
EDITORIAL

Saint Mary’s made right choice on WRC

Although Saint Mary’s does not produce a significant amount of apparel, the College had a moral obligation to join the anti-sweatshop movement. A school that pales in comparison to large universities which base a significant proportion of their income on apparel sales, may not be in a position to influence the licensing arrangements of apparel manufacturers. Nevertheless, the College took a stand last Monday announcing it would become one of the 35 founding schools in the Worker Rights Consortium (WRC).

Backed by the theories encompassing Corporate Social Accounting and an inherent moral obligation, the College sees a need for the anti-sweatshop movement to be present on every school, no matter what the size.

The College’s decision to join the WRC will allow the institution to voice loudly the perspective of a small school and potentially set an agenda that can be effective for small institutions in the struggle for sweatshop monitoring.

Surely Notre Dame will face criticism in the wake of the decision; but such criticism is unjustified. A leader in the anti-sweatshop movement, since before the creation of the Fair Labor Association (FLA) one year ago, Notre Dame decided to refrain from joining the WRC until a later date. This is a smart decision.

While Notre Dame might be able to add a strong voice to the WRC, it has already established itself at the forefront of the fight against sweatshops. Because the WRC is still in the developing stages, Notre Dame runs the risk of committing itself to new goals that could potentially conflict with previously established goals.

More than the original goals of the FLA, Saint Mary’s would undoubtedly be lost in the WRC’s corporate structure, but the organization is a logical fit for Notre Dame, which relies heavily on corporate licensing contracts.

The College’s decision to join the WRC exemplifies a situation where one decision does not benefit each institution equally. Saint Mary’s President Joe Mallery-Fildes acknowledged this Monday in stating that this was a case where one decision ‘fits Notre Dame best, and another decision fits Saint Mary’s best.”

Each school should be commended for their mutual commitment to the anti-sweatshop movement at Notre Dame. It has been a very powerful unifying force.

Both Saint Mary’s membership in the WRC, and Notre Dame’s membership in the FLA will bring the concepts of Catholic social teaching that are so inherent in each school’s ideals to the organizations they have chosen to join.

Although pursuing different paths, what remains most critical is that each has a common goal.

WRC a fledgling group with promise

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Ninety-eight percent of the adults in this country are decent, hard-working honest Americans. It's the other two percent that get all the publicity. But then — we elected them.

Lily Tomlin actress"
Students religious freedom denied on Lenten Fridays

Last Friday, I sat in South Dining Hall, marveling at my friends' sudden vegetarian diets. Salads, tofu and cereal replaced the hamburgers, chicken patties and beef burritos that usually graced their dinner plates. As I munched on my plate of steamed vegetables, I realized that the other Catholics acknowledge the definition of vegetarian and who therefore could be their dinner plates. As I munched on my plate of steamed vegetables, I realized that the other Catholics acknowledge the definition of vegetarian and who therefore could be their dinner plates.

By not serving meat in the University's cafeterias for my lunch, I am following my Catholic faith. Small daily actions and religious decisions throughout the process. By claiming abortion is everyone's right, we are only encouraging people to keep having sex at an immature age. The author admits that having sex at a young age when the people are not ready is a mistake, yet she is giving them an easy out. By a quick, easy abortion, she is protecting no one.

I often read the columns in the Observer, and most of the time I am content with letting the writers' opinions go by without even thinking about ways to disagree. This is not one of those times. I am responding to the Inside Queens Column that appeared on Wednesday, April 5.

I am against abortion — not because I was raised Catholic, not because I am attending Mass on Sundays, not because I attend the University of Notre Dame — but because I firmly believe that abortion is an immoral act that is fundamentally wrong under any circumstance. Being against abortion is not a question of being Catholic; it is a question of having a human sense of morality. Imposing on people who are Pro Life blindly follow some teaching set by some religion that brainwashes people is ludicrous, and is not a way of thinking offends me. I know people who are Pro-Life and are not Catholic. By the same token, I know people who are Pro-Choice. Lumping Catholicism and Pro-Life together, claiming one or the other, is inaccurate. Everyone has a different religious background. The author admits that having sex at a young age when the people are not ready is a mistake, yet she is giving them an easy out. By a quick, easy abortion, she is protecting no one. Awareness Week is supposed to bring awareness about rape and sexual assault. The author is glossing over the countless women who go through pain and mental agony after the abortion. Years later, some women still wonder about the lives they ended — either because they, along with the fathers of these children, were not ready to accept being pregnant. I don't see how this could possibly be a good way to deal with a pregnancy. The author admits that having sex at a young age when the people are not ready is a mistake, yet she is giving them an easy out. By a quick, easy abortion, she is protecting no one. Awareness Week is supposed to bring awareness about rape and sexual assault.

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Chatting it up with the guys behind NDToday.com's creators tell the inspiration for their site, how they did it and where it's going now.

By GEOFF HEIPLE
Scene Writer

Here's a poll for you: What Website has had the most profound effect on the students of Notre Dame this year? While many would check the box for Abercrombie.com, the big winner is a local upstart — NDToday.com. This site has come from near obscurity to establish itself as a mainstay in the lives of many students, faculty and alumni. Developed by three enterprising students, NDToday has become a campus sensation with its great features, student info and general Web-surfing potential. NDToday is a portal site, that is, it specifically targets Notre Dame students, with the goal of having NDToday serve as the primary launching page for its users when they connect to the internet.

Drawing nearly 20,000 page views per day, NDToday has grown from an idea to a reality. "We just thought that it would be pretty cool if it existed," said the co-creator Frank Helgesen. "It's an idea that we began to discuss at the end of last year. Helgesen shared his imagination with his friend Andy Warzon, who became Frank's partner in design. The site was beginning to come together, but they still felt that it lacked another important dimension. "I'm an engineer, Frank's good with business and yet, there was still another aspect that we felt we were missing," stated Warzon.

During this past summer, Helgesen contacted another friend with strong Web development abilities, Nick Fellers — the triumvirate was now complete. That union forged more than a Website, it marked the birth of 3bstudios, the company that oversees NDToday.

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Frank Helgesen
junior, O'Neill Hall
co-creator of 3bstudios and NDToday

The superhighwaymen began working over the summer, each from their respective homes across the country, to lay the initial groundwork for the Website. They communicated only through e-mail, except when a substantial decision needed to be discussed over the phone. This past fall, they returned to Notre Dame to begin their junior year and brought their new concept back with them. This past August, potential visitors to the site didn't really have much to look at once they ventured to it. The graphics weren't together yet, many of the services offered to the students were not functional and 3bstudios was actually paying out money in order to get links to sites such as Jcrew.com and Monster.com. Nevertheless, the three Webmasters pushed on — not only intent upon building their dream, but equally focused on providing their schoolmates with a Website exclusively aimed at the students' interests. This has been their goal since the site's inception — to go beyond cheesy gimmicks and in the words of Fellers, "provide services that consistently bring students back to the site and are helpful to them."

The creators see their site as an extension of the Notre Dame community. All over campus, students and faculty are meeting, they're conversing and people are interacting with each other. By introducing the campus to NDToday, the triple entity has given the student body one more outlet for interaction, on the Internet. 3bstudios has never contributed to the content of the page; they leave that up to the students. It has only provided the forum for the students, giving them a voice and allowing them to decide what gets put on the page. Students send hundreds of e-mails to 3bstudios giving ideas, sharing opinions or posting tutorials on the website's "Free Press" link.

Also, the creators talk to many students on a daily basis. They really make an effort to talk to their friends, faculty, administration and other random students to gain a valuable perspective on what's working and what's not. Nevertheless, all the extra input from others certainly doesn't detract from the innovative brilliance exhibited by Fellers, Warzon and Helgesen. The site is a reflection of their creativity and their personalities. As students, they know what life is like at Notre Dame. NDToday serves as a marvelous example of a Website meeting the needs and opinions of its users. The end result is an exceptional, collaborative effort between the creators and the interface.

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The three wise men of NDToday also saw the popularity of the voting booth as the first stage in an evolutionary process. Students who come just to check out the polls eventually find themselves clicking on links to other features or Websites. The message board is another excellent means of communication and exchange of ideas between students.

In addition to the voting booth, the creators are especially proud of some other services and features. Most notably, during this season of DART, the online teacher course evaluations may prove to be a smart way of researching a course before a student makes a potentially damaging course selection. Students who wish to express their feelings on a specific course or professor enter the evaluation themselves. Students to vote. When you surf to NDToday, you'll find a Pagalax that has a good idea, it's e-mailed the online teacher course evaluations to students.

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first name and dorm? The search engine at ND-Today is powerful enough to match some hits and will never return with "too many entries to print." ND-Today plays cupid with the elwebgroup, another fine example of meeting campus social concerns. One simply enters his or her name and the name(s) of people they might like to get to know better into the database. The computer then notifies the database of any potential matches — all in complete privacy. Furthermore, ND-Today offers several other unique features, such as movie reviews, food guides, campus events, a message board, the local weather and links to literally dozens of other Websites. 3bstudios enjoys working closely with students and with other businesses in an effort to provide the student body with discounts, coupons and entertainment resources. While definitely not an Internet billboard, ND-Today boasts some of the most sought after links on the internet. By accessing ND-Today, one can visit Alta Vista.com, Raging Bull.com, Barnes & Noble.com and a host of others. 3bstudios also takes pleasure in working with local establishments and businesses. Two weeks ago, ND-Today teamed up with Coach's Sports Bar to provide a first-class party highlighted by drink specials and free appetizers. Students will be able to purchase The Undertones' CD as well as access mp3s from local bands. The movie and restaurant reviews are rigid, and taken with their follow-up suggestions, can provide for either a quality night in South Bend or a delicious dine-in from one of the many restaurants found on the site.

Technologically speaking, the site is quite sound. A far cry from the HTML days, the creators have implemented "Cold Fusion" — a modified expansion from the original HTML. Cold Fusion is an interactive dynamic — not a static system. For example, it is Cold Fusion that allows one to interface with ND-Today through the voting booth, free press and other features. A static system would not allow the user to do much with the site other than scroll up and down and visit links, merely for observation. As a building language, Cold Fusion is on the tip of the software industry, and for that reason, is the language of choice for ND-Today and 3bstudios. This dynamism enables the boot-up differently each time it is accessed, meaning that different photos or different features could be showcased the next time one enters the site's address. Also, one can customize ND-Today by registering with 3bstudios on ND-Today. This dynamic also enables the site to increase its traffic. The designers want to implement voting booth, free press and other features have been employed by several companies needing Web design and production. All three Webmasters see ND-Today, while not for profit, as a launching pad towards future success in Web design. The production of the site and its wonderful reception speak better for their respective reputations than any monetary payment.

ND-Today is "always developing." The designers want to implement more academic resources. They would like to have graduate students serve as experts in different academic areas, fielding questions from undergraduate students. They would also like to bring Cliff's Notes to the Website. The trio is also trying to compile a CD of local bands that they would sell from their site. Helgesen remarked that the group would like to see greater student club interaction on the Website. Clubs could post info, put editorials on the free press or message board or perhaps get a personalized section of ND-Today — exclusively reserved for their use. Outside Notre Dame, they hope that their efforts will catch on at other universities. If not, they'd be happy to construct a new Web-site for another school.

Bottom line — the Website is in the hands of the students. It is what the student body makes of it. Frank, Andy and Nick have set the benchmark in terms of student/Internet interaction. While all three are juniors and will return to Notre Dame in the seniors year, they plan to keep ND-Today in the hands of Notre Dame students. Eventually, someone may take it on to worthy undertakers. As always, they and the site are open to the criticisms, suggestions and opinions of the students.

A fascinating Website and Web experience, ND-Today is a testament to Notre Dame students. Created by maintained and popularized by Our Lady's student body, ND-Today will continue to expand and improve upon its solid foundation. While Frank's personal quest for free band makes students may never actually be achieved by the Website, it is that of determination and creative spirit that has forged an incredible concept known by its simple, yet fully explanatory title — ND-Today.
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The Padres added three runs in the seventh. Phil Nevin hit an RBI double and scored on Kevin Millar's drive to right-center that fell between New York's Paul O'Neill and Alfonzo. Hamilton for a triple. Bell's relay was off line and Owens could not throw fsing to the sparse crowd.

Marlins 5, Giants 4
Cliff Floyd hit a two-run homer with two out in the ninth inning and the Florida Marlins rallied from a four-run defeat to beat the San Francisco Giants before a sellout-low turnout of just 7,741.

Trailing 4-3, the Marlins led off the ninth with a single by Kevin Millar against John Parke. After a sacrifice and a foul out, Floyd hit the first pitch over the right field wall for his 20th home run of the season, the 10th for the rookie and his third in eight games.

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TRIANGLE TOP $31
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BOY-LEG BOTTOMS $25
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ANKLE $39
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the final two innings to earn his first career save.

"We're going to need depth in our staff in regards to winning the conference championship," Mainieri said. "It's very encouraging to see a number of pitchers pitching well."

Porzel went 3-5 in the game to lead the offense while sophomore center fielder Steve Stavinoha added his two hits and scored two runs.

The 20-6 Irish now prepare to take on the Boston College Golden Eagles, who visit Eck Stadium for three Big East conference games this weekend.

Rapidly improving after a 1-5 start to the season, the Eagles are riding a five-game winning streak, including a three-game sweep of Villanova last weekend.

"We have a lot of respect for Boston College," Mainieri said. "They're a very, very, very well-coached team. They're going to come in here all fired up and ready to go."

Notre Dame will start senior righthander Tim Heilman in the first game of Saturday's double-header. Heilman, coming off of a hard-fought victory over Connecticut last Saturday, is 5-1 on the year with a 1.70 earned-run average.

Cavey starts the second game and will be looking for his second victory of the season after a tough loss to the Huskies last weekend.

On Sunday afternoon, freshman J.P. Gagne will take the mound in the third game, following an impressive victory over Connecticut in which he allowed only two runs over seven innings.

With so many successful pitchers and an improving offense, the Irish couldn't be more confident.

"We feel really comfortable. We thought we had a really good weekend at Connecticut," Porzel said. "After swinging the bats as well as we have the last few days, we're excited about another Big East weekend."

All three games will be broadcast on the Internet at www.und.com as well as on WJVA 1580 AM.

HNL

Sabres' win moves team closer to playoffs

Associated Press

Dominick Hasek had 32 saves and the streaking Buffalo Sabres moved a little closer to a playoff berth by beating the struggling New Jersey Devils 5-0 on Thursday night.

Doug Gilmour had three assists and Curtis Brown scored twice as Sabres won their third straight and seventh in eight games to remain tied with Montreal for the eighth and final playoff berth in the Eastern Conference.

Both teams have 83 points, although the Sabres have two games left, one more than Montreal. The Canadiens beat Tampa Bay 5-1 on Thursday night.

Carolina also has an outside shot at a playoff spot. The Hurricanes have 57 points with two games left in the regular season against expansion Atlanta, and so will need help.

"It's really good weekend at the intersection," Mainieri said. "We're going to need depth in our staff in regards to winning the conference championship," Mainieri said. "It's very encouraging to see a number of pitchers pitching well."

The Flyers took a 1-0 lead after Keith Jones snapped the puck into the Atlanta net from the right slot at 8:16 of the first period. Peter White provided the assist to give Jones his ninth goal.

Atlanta knotted the score at 1-1 in the second stanza, as Andreas Karlsson skated into the slot and unloaded a slap shot past Vanciboversh, but Philadelphia regained the lead around 3 minutes later.

Langkow gave the Flyers a 2-1 edge at 9:21 in the middle period on a shot from the low right circle.

He and Recchi skated up the right side and used a nifty give-and-go to get Atlanta goalie Norm Marcavage off balance and Langkow beat him high with a backhandker.

Brown was also the beneficiary of a shot by Gilmour, a former Devil. Brown got his 21st a little less than three minutes later with a backhand pass from along the boards and added his second at 10:47 after taking another pass from Gilmour from the corner. Michael Peca closed out the scoring in close with 1:26 to go.

The shutout was the second in five days for Hasek, who blanked Montreal 2-0 on Saturday. The Dominator, who is 14-4-4 since returning from a groin injury, has three this season and 45 in his career.

Hasek's best saves were a second-period breakaway stop against Lemieux and another in close on Alexander Mogilny in the first period.

Islanders 2, Senators 1

Rookie goaltender Stephen Valiquette stopped 45 shots, while Martin Czerkawski and Brad Bibet scored as the New York Islanders beat the Ottawa Senators.

Bibet broke a 1-1 tie with just more than eight minutes remaining and the Islanders hung on despite being outshot 46-13. New York won for the first time in its last six games.

Ottawa, which has won only one of its last five, remained sixth in the Eastern Conference with 91 points. The Senators have two regular-season games remaining.

Valiquette is 2-0 in his career starts and the only goal he yielded was to rookie left winger Petr Schastlivy at 1:39 of the third period on a power play.

Czerkawski picked up a loose puck in the slot and scored the winning 2-1 goal early in the first. Bibet converted Steve Webb's centering pass with 8:18 left for the winner.

Patrick Lalime was pulled in the final minute in favor of an extra attacker, but Ottawa couldn't manage a shot on goal. Ottawa's eight-game losing streak ended after the first period with an injury to his left shoulder and did not return.

Flyers 3, Thrashers 2

Raymond Langkow snapped a second-period tie and Mark Recchi added two assists to lift the Philadelphia Flyers over the Atlanta Thrashers, for the first time in the Eastern Conference.

Philadelphia claimed a share of the top spot in the Eastern Conference, tying New Jersey with 101 points. Philadelphia has three of its last four and closes the season with games at home against Boston and at the New York Rangers. The Devils, who were shut out at home against Buffalo on Thursday, finished at home against Florida on Saturday.

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NOTRE DAME, Butler match up in heated rivalry

By STEVE KEPEL
Sports Writer

This Saturday the Notre Dame men's lacrosse team will travel to Indianapolis to play its second-straight Great Western Lacrosse League match as they take on the Butler Bulldogs.

The Irish are fresh off of a solid 13-4 victory over Ohio State and are looking to improve to 3-3 and wrap up the GWLL title.

If the Irish can pull off the win they will have a good chance to be headed to their eighth NCAA tournament appearance in the last nine years under head coach Kevin Corrigan.

Last week the Irish ended their two-game slump with their win over the Buckeyes. GWLL player of the week Tom Glatzel led the Irish in the win. Glatzel ended the day with five goals and two assists putting his career high for goals and scoring in one game.

Glatzel leads the Irish with 16 goals and five assists; he has 39 career goals and 19 assists in his two plus seasons at Notre Dame.

"Tommy (Glatzel) was crucial to the victory," said head coach Kevin Corrigan. "The way they played us, shutting off Dave Ulrich, it forced the ball to Tommy's hands and forced him to be in the position to get a lot of the good shots. If he doesn't hit them it could have been a long day for us. He really kept the pressure on their goalie and then the other guys were doing a good job and we were selective in the shots we took and I think all of that added up to us having some success against them."

The whole offense in general was playing well. Notre Dame had five different goal scorers and also six others with at least one assist.

The Irish attack hopes to continue its tough play as they go up against Butler.

"They know that this is a big game," Corrigan said. "We have played to one-goal games with these guys the last two years so we are expecting to go down there and have to fight to the nail."

Kevin Corrigan
Irish head coach

Midfielder Stedman Oakey cradles the ball against Penn State. The Irish travel to Butler this weekend.

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Butler is lead by senior attackman Mike Regan who has had seven goals in the past two games.

"Butler is a different team than Ohio State," said Corrigan. "Ohio State wanted to slow down and play you six-on-six and Butler is totally the opposite. They like to pay at a fast tempo so we have been concentrating on how to not create the transition play. It is a completely different, challenge this week."

To win this game and end the season on a high note the Irish are going to have to repeat their solid performance of last week. Both the offense and defense will have to continue to play a full 60 minutes.

"Right now we are starting in our opportunities that we choose to take," Corrigan said. "(Goalie) Kirk Hovel is playing well and offensively we are starting to get the idea of what we have to do to be successful. We need to control the ball and be selective to play good team defense,"

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Paulsen shines with one-stroke lead as Woods falters

Associated Press

AUGUSTA, Ga. — Somebody forgot to tell Dennis Paulson that Augusta National belonged to a professional Californian whose highest victory came on the Nike Tour.

Or maybe he just was too happy to be in the Masters to care.

Paulsen ran into the same kind of trouble that stalled everyone else on a blustery day that gave him a one-stroke lead over Tom Lehman.

"Maybe lack of knowledge is better, not knowing how hard this course is supposed to be," said Paulsen, a 37-year-old Californian whose highest victory came on the Nike Tour.

"I'm just happy to be here."

Paulsen, the former Masters champion Steve Jones, who was at 5 under through the first 17 holes, an amazing feat considering the rough and always treacherous winds. He drove into the trees behind two of his tee shots and was lucky to hit the green on the 15th.

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**WOMEN'S LACROSSE**

WOMEN'S LACROSSE
Irish look to stop 5-game slide with successful road trip

By SARAH RYKOWSKI
Sports Writer

The Irish women's lacrosse team has two chances this weekend to stop its losing streak, which was stretched to a fifth game after a loss to Georgetown on Wednesday.

"This week is a tough week for us," Irish head coach Tracy Coyne said. "We've been going through a difficult phase."

Notre Dame's women's lacrosse team travels first to face the Connecticut Huskies on Saturday before competing against Boston College Eagles on Sunday.

"We want to win games this weekend," Coyne said. "As long as we focus on the areas of our game we've been talking about, the weaknesses exposed in the games against nationally ranked teams, we can be successful."

The Irish are currently 3-5 on the season, after winning their first three and dropping the last five in a row. Connecticut is a surprising 6-1 thus far after finishing up in 1999 4-10. Connecticut's single loss came against the Syracuse Orange.

The Irish lost this season to the Huskies, 18-6. Lael O'Shaughnessy had a career high six goals and three assists in that game.

O'Shaughnessy's fellow tri-captain this season, Kathryn Perrella, scored four goals in the same game.

O'Shaughnessy led the Irish in scoring and points last year and leads them again this year in these same categories. Her scoring streak reached 17 games before it was snapped in the Irish loss to Georgetown.

Last week, Tara Durkin was ranked among the top 10 goalies in the NCAA.

“Tara Durkin’s been doing a good job,” Coyne said. "[Wednesday] Angela Dixon played really well."

Dixon had two goals and an assist in the 14-4 loss to Georgetown. The Huskies are led by sophomores Pamela Lowie and Heather Levins and junior defenseman Abby Morgan.

Lowie had 33 goals and four assists to lead her team last season. Freshman goalie April Pollock has played in all contests for the Huskies.

Bonnie Rosen is in her third year as head coach for Connecticut, with an overall record of 19-23.

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Tailback Julius Jones carries the ball against Pitt last season. Jones made an immediate impact for the Irish as a freshman.

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the end zone as Notre Dame gored it on against Arizona State. Jones raised eyebrows as a player not only with remarkable talent, but a field savvy not often seen in freshmen.

He realizes however, that he is among other talented tailbacks, and that the competition between he, Tony Fisher, and Terrance Howard for the starting role is one that will likely continue through two-a-days in August.

"The coaches say it's wide open right now, between me, Terrance, and Tony, and we're all three going out and working hard, doing the best we can, and whatever happens happens," he said.

One aspect of Jones game that the coaches would like to see improve would be his blocking, particularly in pass protection.

Last year, Jones was a slasher with plenty of moves, but was also smaller than the other tailbacks, something that he went into winter conditioning hoping to remedy.

"I gained about 15 pounds, so that helps me with my pass blocking," he said. "That's one of the main things I had trouble with last year was pass protection, and now that I got that down it looks pretty good."

Whether he starts or not, much will be expected of Jones in the 2000 season. Head coach Bob Davie has expressed an intent on running the football more, and with quarterback Arnaz Battle at the helm, the option will likely play a larger role in the offense.

There has also been talk of Tony Fisher being inserted at fullback in some situations, a decision that would be facilitated by consistency from Jones and Howard.

Add in his return skills and it is plain to see that much of Notre Dame's offensive fortunes are riding on the shoulders of No. 22.

Nevertheless, Jones is prepared for the pressures of big time college football. In a way, he has been through it all already.

His brother, Thomas Jones, was a standout tailback at the University of Virginia in 1999. He finished third in the nation in rushing yards his senior season.

While Thomas heads to the professional ranks, Julius credits a considerable amount of his success thus far to his relationship with his brother.

"Me and my brother are real close, he's been through a lot, he pretty much knows what I'm going through right now, he's been there," Jones said. "I talk to him every night. He's looking forward to the draft. I am too. He's real anxious about that and it's something he deserves, his time is coming right now.

While notions of the NFL are a bit premature for the younger Jones, the comparisons to his brother have inevitably been made, something Julius hardly disagrees with.

"I can't really see any difference. I watch his tapes, and it's basically the exact same running. The more and more I watch it, the more and more we look the same. That would suit Irish fans just fine.

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Notre Dame heads east to take on No. 16 William and Mary

By KEVIN BERCHOU
Sports Writer

The cupcakes have been devoured. It's finally time for the main course.

After a series of matches against weaker opponents, the Notre Dame women's tennis team is ready to take on a national contender in what should be a valid test of the squad's progress this season.

Fourteenth-ranked Notre Dame will head east Sunday to battle the 16th-ranked William and Mary Tribe.

The Irish are excited about the prospect of facing a tough opponent in nearly a month. William and Mary has faced a full slate of difficult matches.

The Tribe lost a close match to the third-ranked Deamon Deacons of Wake Forest last weekend, and will take on the ninth-ranked Longhorns of Texas just prior to tangling with the Irish.

Both squads are all too familiar with each other, having met in the first round of the USTA/ITA National Team Indoor Championships in February.

The Irish upset the then-higher ranked Tribe 5-2, taking four of six singles matches in addition to winning the doubles point. That match, however, took place indoors at a neutral site.

“I think all of our singles players are capable of beating theirs, but overall both teams are equal.”

Becky Varnum
Irish singles player

On Sunday, conditions for the Irish will be slightly more adverse as the match will be played outdoors on Tribal lands.

Since East Coast weather is so unpredictable at this time of year, weather could play a significant factor. “Outdoor matches are always a struggle,” Zalinski said. “They always depend on the weather.”

If the Irish are to complete a sweep of the Tribe, junior Michelle Dasso will be leading the effort. Dasso is playing arguably the best tennis of her career, and her match against the Tribe's Carlos Buis will set the tone for the day. Buis has been on a roll of late.

She has risen from being her squad's No. 3 singles to consistently competing against the opponent's top player at the No. 1 singles level. Sophomore Delphine Troch enters the match what figures to be a huge test. The Dasso and Varnum coupling enters the match fresh off an upset win over Purdue's top doubles pairing.

With both teams solid at No. 2 and No. 3 doubles, the match could very well hinge on the outcome of the top pairs match.

Both teams have much to gain. A win by either team would mean a significant boost in the national rankings, which are as crucial as ever with the NCAA tournament looming right around the corner.

“We've been really focused lately,” Zalinski noted. “We'll be looking to keep that up.”

Top Irish singles player Michelle Dasso and her No. 14 squad will meet 16th-ranked William and Mary Sunday in one of Notre Dame's toughest matches yet.
Irish set to pick up more NCAA qualifying bids

By BRIAN BURKE
Sports Writer

Coming off a weekend of rewriting school and track records, the Notre Dame men's and women's track and field teams head to Oxford, Ohio this weekend for the Miami Invitational. While the Irish exceeded expectations in last week's scoring meet, several athletes believe the performances could improve as they face tougher competition Saturday.

While Notre Dame collected a handful of NCAA qualifying bids two weeks ago at Arizona State and Stanford, only junior Ryan Shay earned an automatic qualification (10,000 meters). With nothing guaranteed for the provisional qualifiers, many of the top runners and jumpers for the Irish will look to meet the automatic standard or improve upon their provisional time or distance. That task may not be easy however, as the forecast calls for rain and cold temperatures in Oxford.

Among those in the hunt for the NCAA championships are a trio of jumpers for the Irish. Senior Marshaun West has already met the provisional requirement in the long jump but may have to improve upon that mark to make the trip to nationals. Freshman Tameisha Watson has showed plenty of promise in the long jump as well, and despite this being her first collegiate season, qualifying for the NCAA's has become a realistic goal. Meanwhile, two-time All American Jennifer Engelhardt looks to qualify in the high jump.

“If we get the right conditions, all of them are capable of qualifying,” assistant coach Scott Winnor said. “Marshaun's much more consistent, Jennifer's about the same (as last year). We've been working harder in the weight room, doing more bounding. I think maybe if I lay off the workouts a bit, he'll be fine.”

While the men's 4x100-meter relay broke the school record by a considerable margin last weekend, the group now has a new objective: qualifying for the NCAA championships.

“We should definitely get the provisional time, maybe the automatic,” Travis Davey, a member of the 4x100 squad said, “if the competition's there, we'll have it.”

Overall, the sprinters have begun to hit their stride, and while this weekend may not present ideal conditions, several men and women could be considered NCAA candidates.

“I think so far we're running real well,” assistant coach John Millar said. “(Chris) Corrigan has run faster than all last year; Travis Davey is running better. The guys we're depending on have progressed real well, and I'm pleased with that.”

Definitely competition has a lot to do with it,” king said, “our team (women sprinters) is small, but eventually we can build it up to where we'll be getting to nationals.”

A handful of Irish distance runners have notched provisional qualifying times: Luke Watson (13:000 meter steeplechase), Antonio Arce (5,000 meters), Phil Mishka (800 meters), and Marc Stroinski (10,000 meters for the men and Allison Klemmer for the women all look to further their cause for the NCAA championships by improving upon their provisional times.

Another noteworthy performer of late on the women's team has been sophomore Davey DelBartolo. DelBartolo added to her own school record in the hammer two weeks ago at Arizona State, with a throw of 118 feet, 11 inches.
Davies Cup

Agassi, Sampras team up for first time since 1995

Associated Press

INGLEWOOD, Calif. - Far Andre Agassi and Pete Sampras, Davis Cup means something this year. And that means big trouble for Jiri Novak and Slava Dosedel. "We are playing the best team ever," Czech captain Jan Kukal said.

Agassi has long answered the call to play for his country in Davis Cup, but some years, he hardly felt like part of a team. The U.S. Tennis Association was making decisions on matters Agassi believed were best handled by the players, including the choice of captain and team doctor.

"I just had no desire to pour so much energy into something that was only yet again another match, another week, another time away from home, from resting and getting ready for your big events," said Agassi, who didn't play last year. "It didn't mean anything." Sampras agreed, preferring to concentrate on maintaining his world No. 1 ranking for six consecutive years while playing Davis Cup about every other year.

"It was hard to stay No. 1 and play Davis Cup," he said Thursday. "It was a big commitment, and the times I've played Davis Cup over the years, I felt it hurt me a little bit."

But the appointment of John McEnroe as captain last fall marked a turning point. Suddenly, the USTA was concentrating on maintaining its world No. 1 ranking for six consecutive years while playing Davis Cup about every other year.

"I would be very happy when the match is not going to be decided on Saturday," Kukal said.

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SOFTBALL

Belles split series with Knights

By KAREN SCHAFF
Sports Writer

The Belles had a solid day Wednesday during their doubleheader at Calvin College. Saint Mary’s lost the first game in eight innings 5-4, but came back strong for the second game winning 7-4. Head coach Joe Speybroeck said he was going to focus on hitting and getting the bats moving and that’s just what the Belles did.

Trish Klockner hit a solo homerun in the first game while Katie Murphy added a triple. Rachel Deer also stole home and gave the Belles another run.

The second game highlighted more of the Belles’ power as Deer belted a three-run homerun.

“We hit really well,” said freshman catcher Susan Kutz. “We started using the bats a lot more this game.”

Defensively, the Belles were really solid. They pulled together to rectify the errors they had in their past games.

Assistant coach Dave Martin expressed his disappointment with the team’s emotion, the Belles showed they had heart.

The team had a solid overall performance in the field.

“We played like we wanted to win,” said freshman outfielder Katie Murphy. “We just played tough.”

The team kept their heads in the game the entire evening. Even while behind, Saint Mary kept up their confidence while keeping their errors to a minimum. This strength was shown in the Belles’ near win in the first game.

The game went into extra innings after the Belles tied the score in the top of the seventh.

“The team came ready to play,” said Speybroeck. “We were really aggressive on base.”

The Belles played solid defense when they battled Calvin in a split series Wednesday.

ND looks to improve Big East record

● Irish split doubleheader with Broncos

Observer Staff Report

The Notre Dame softball team, currently ranked No. 1 in the NCAA Northeast region, kicks off its weekend competition against Western Michigan Saturday.

The Irish, boasting their best record in the program’s twelve-year history is coming off a split doubleheader with the Broncos of Western Michigan Thursday.

Western Michigan, Irish head coach Liz Miller’s alma mater, now stands at 3-16 after beating the Irish 2-1 in game one and falling 5-0 in game two.

The Irish are looking to improve their 29-7 record with wins this weekend. Notre Dame will first face Rutgers in a doubleheader starting at 10 a.m. on Saturday.

The Scarlet Knights are 10-9 overall and 1-3 in the Big East. Notre Dame came out on top last year in a doubleheader 4-2, 3-1.

On Sunday at 11 a.m., Notre Dame will face Villanova.

The Wildcats, who tied for fourth place in the Big East last year, failed to score against the Irish in 1999, as they fell to Notre Dame 3-0 and 4-0.

Notre Dame currently has a 13-1 overall history against Villanova.

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Jones makes big strides on offense for Notre Dame

By BRIAN BURKE
Sports Writer

When Julius Jones arrived on campus last August from his home in Big Stone Gap, Va., he was making a leap from one of the smallest high school football teams in the state to the most storied college football program in the land.

Going from a man among boys to fourth on the depth chart, it probably would not have shocked too many if this freshman were held out of game action for a year as he eased into the system.

But Jones “ eased” into the system by rushing for 375 yards and three touchdowns, averaging five yards per carry, catching three passes for 90 yards, and amassing 798 return yards and one TD.

So much for learning the ropes.

“Anytime you come from high school to college, that’s a big transition,” Jones said.

“Last year it took a while for me to get used to it, but towards the end of the year, I was pretty confident, and I got a lot of playing time, so that helped me confidence a lot.”

Jones’ knack for the big play has made him one of the most exciting players on the Notre Dame roster.

Whether it was a 67-yard punt return for a touchdown against Boston College, bringing the Irish within two points late in the fourth quarter, bouncing to the outside against an excellent Tennessee defense for a 29-yard burst, or vaulting into the end zone for his team’s first touchdown against Indiana, Jones was leaving his mark.

“During the season everyone’s gonna get hot. I just happen to be hot right now,”

Senior catcher Matt Nussbaum added two hits and two runs batted in.

The victory over IUPUI came a day after Notre Dame posted an impressive 7-2 victory over in-state rival Valparaiso.

Laird gave up just one hit and one earned run in five innings.

He also struck out five Crusaders.

Sophomore Matt Buchmeier held Valparaiso scoreless for

irish find depth from underclassmen on pitching staff

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Going into the season, Irish baseball coach Paul Mainieri was unsure about the quality of his starting pitching behind returning standouts Aaron Heilman and Scott Carey.

In two midweek victories Wednesday, over Valparaiso, and Thursday over Indiana University-Purdue University at Indianapolis, freshman Matt Laird and sophomore Drew Duff gave Mainieri the depth he was searching for.

On the mound, the Irish offense used a balanced attack to push seven runs across the plate. Freshman right fielder Brian Stavsinky hit his team-leading seventh home run to start off the scoring in the first, stroking a 0-1 pitch over the right field fence.

Junior shortstop Alec Porzel continued his offensive rampage, recording his third hit and scoring three runs. Porzel’s hit extends his hitting streak to 12 games.

“ I’ve been seeing the ball really well,” Porzel said.

“During the season everyone’s gonna get hot."