Law student aids local residents through ND Clinic

By TIM LOGAN
News Writer

Adela wants to see her children again. That is why the 50-year-old El Salvadoran has come to the Notre Dame Legal Aid Clinic for help filling for permanent residency in the U.S. It is why she is sitting across the table from third-year law student Kira Lodge, telling someone she's never met about her family and life in El Salvador. 

Two years down, Adela's face is as she talks about her two adult children who have died in El Salvador since she moved to the United States 10 years ago. She talks lovingly of the other two, whom she hopes to see again someday. Adela, whose name has been changed because her case is still pending, was granted political asylum last year by the Seventh Circuit Court in Chicago, and now her husband, resident is beginning the two-year application process for permanent U.S. residency.

For more than a half-hour, Adela and Lodge sit at that table, going over the forms the El Salvadoran must fill out to become an American — discussing her case in Spanish, the only language Adela knows well.

This mother is one of dozens of immigrants who come to the Legal Aid Clinic from all over Michiana each Tuesday and Thursday seeking help in navigating this country's immigration system. And Lodge is one of the student interns who gets them the help they need. She and other interns gain a learning experience that many call the most important of their law school careers.

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Red and Proud

Although you'd never know it from my picture, I have red hair. I spent many years trying to deny this, even giving a different reason for trying to dye my hair brown. The dye actually only made my hair look redder. It's tough being a redhead, but I try to manage with perfect strangers touching my hair and commenting on it. If your parents are dark-haired — like mine — you bear far more than your fair share of "pimples" jokes. The number one question people ask redheads is, "Where did your hair come from?" Many redheads in my family go through childhood secretly convinced they're adopted. You get nicknames like "Carrot," "Raggedy Anne," "Sunkist," "the copper top," "Big Red," "Penny," "Little Orange Anni," "Donald McDonald's illegitimate child," and — my favorite — "Pepsi Langevin." Everyone thinks it's funny to give you Big Red gum for your birthday. You endure dozens of jokes about quick tempers and it certainly doesn't help if you actually have a quick temper.

People demand to know where you got your hair done or what dye you're using. Some people ask the dumbest questions, but I guess they insist it's natural, and that your eyebrows are just naturally a different color than your hair. Cutting class? Forget it. You're the first one in class whose name the professor learns. You must have the best sixth sense in the school, because they can find you in the dining hall or pick you out in a crowd. And remind you of that fact more than your fair share of times.

This is most prevalent among strange men. The first time a man approached me and announced (language censored for family news) that "this is to find you in the dining hall or pick you out in a crowd. And remind you of that fact more than your fair share of times."

I'm not kidding.

There's something about red hair that makes people want to know where you got your hair done. It's as if you've never noticed.

ANN ARBOR, Mich. Two-and-a-half months ago, it appeared that Michigan would renew its contracts with Nike to provide athletic footwear and apparel for the Michigan Athletics Department through August 2006. But Nike director of college sports marketing Kit Morris told The Michigan Daily Thursday that the company has withdrawn from negotiations with the university and that it "doesn't foresee reentry." There was a meeting of the minds, and it became apparent that we did not agree to terms," Morris said. Michigan made the "requirement that we would have to live by an undisclosed code of conduct that would require Nike to adhere to any demands made during the contract." Michigan interim athletic director Bill Martin said Michigan's support of the Workers Rights Consortium (WRC) led to Nike's withdrawal. "It came down to one issue. [The WRC issue] was what it was all about," Martin said. According to Martin, Nike felt uneasy about the university's relationship with the WRC and its "endorsement that supports and verifies license compliance with production codes of conduct."

In a statement released by the company, Nike said it was "surprised that the agreement the university submitted to Nike contained specific parameters for the company to comply with the university's defined and still evolving Labor Standards and Human Rights Policy." "Michigan has been very clear that it requires its licensees to abide by its code of conduct," WRC governing board representative Peter Friedman said. "Nike will lose exposure by not having the maize and blue "swoosh" on football Saturdays."

The WRC, which hopes to appoint a governing body this summer, would like to eventually set up a watchdog system over companies including Nike. By becoming a provisional member of the WRC on Feb. 18, Nike established a new set of rules by which a licensing agent must abide.

Texas A&M murder suspect arrested

COLLEGE STATION, Texas Kenny Wayne Lockwood, a 31-year-old San Antonio man, was arrested Thursday in the death of Texas A&M student Keryn Kujawa, a junior mechanical engineering major, was found dead on a ranch outside of Austin shot in the back of the head, last Wednesday, April 19 after being reported missing April 17. Authorities said they believe Kujawa was killed shortly after he left College Station on April 7 to meet a girl named "Kolly" from San Antonio, whom he had met over the Internet. Lockwood admitted to police that he had been present as Kolly in internet chatrooms and in email correspondence with Kujawa. Kujawa told friends he would return to College Station on April 10. After days had passed and he failed to return, Kujawa's parents received email messages purportedly from him. The emails usually ended with "Everything is okay. I'll be back in a few days." Kolly's email address was used to send the email messages to Kujawa's parents and friends, officials said. Authorities said tracing the emails from Lockwood were key in cracking the case.

Redheads share certain experiences, from old stories and childhood nicknames, to a certain esprit de corps. It isn't just a hair color, it's a state of mind.
SMC trustees OK investments

By SARAH RYKOWSKI
Saint Mary's News Editor

The Saint Mary's Board of Trustees met Saturday to approve an investment policy and next year's budget, to receive updates on the Master Plan, strategic planning and Student Life, and to discuss several important purchases for the College.

The board approved an Investment Committee policy which establishes a range for the College's endowment fund, clarifies Saint Mary's social responsibility, and declares that the College will not invest in organizations that deal with nuclear weapons, weapons production or tobacco products, according to Keith Dennis, vice president for Finance and Administration.

Dennis also presented the results of the Investment Committee's search for a "small cap" investment manager and reported the progress Saint Mary's has made in the construction of a shipping and receiving center.

"We approved funds for purchasing a parcel of land that is north of the Facilities Building as part of the project for a shipping and receiving center," Dennis said.

As part of annual events in this late-year Trustees meeting, the Trustees also approved next year's operating and capital budgets. Saint Mary's will use the capital funds to purchase equipment to renovate Regina Hall and repair the exterior of Haggar Student Center.

They will also buy a spectrophotometer for the chemistry department and new chairs for O'Laughlin Auditorium. Trustees voted to continue purchasing new computers for the student labs and recycl- ing the older ones to the faculty and administration offices.

Also, Linda Timm, vice president of Student Affairs, presented a report on Student Life at Saint Mary's. Molly Kahn, the new Student Trustee, was introduced, and Trustees approved the list of graduates.

Members also held Executive Board elections, electing current chairman William J. Schmuhl, Jr., and vice chairman Marie Steadman, a 1967 alumna.

Barb Hamel, a 1979 gradu­ ate, was elected treasurer. Hamel is a senior vice presi­ dent of the Bank of America in Chicago.

SMC women support gospel feminism

Theologians sign Madeleva Manifesto

By KATIE McVOY
New Wave

Sixteen prominent women theologians made a statement of hope and courage to women in the Catholic Church when they signed the Madeleva Manifesto Saturday at O'Laughlin Auditorium.

A charter of women and faith, the document was signed by 15 previous speakers and next year's speaker in the Madeleva Lecture series, talks on women and faith given in honor of Saint Mary's founders.

Following the presentation, the women held a forum, explaining what the Manifesto means. It is a liberal call for change based on the solemn traditions of the Catholic Church.

The manifesto calls on women in theological study to "reimagine what it is to be the body of Christ. How things are now is not the way of God." It asks young women in the Church to follow gospel feminism, to overcome oppression based on gender, sexual orientation, race and social class. It calls for women to change things that treat men or women as less than fully human.

"This is tradition at its best," said Joan Chittister, who moderated the discussion.

The Manifesto reminds women who suffer the cost of discipleship that they are not alone. It calls young women of the Church to carry forward the feminist mission to institute far-reaching changes in the Church and society.

The Manifesto states that women are more likely than men to change things that treat men or women as less than fully human. It is a pledge to biblical justice and to continue "dialogue on issues of freedom for women." The women who wrote the Manifesto "invite others to join them in imagin- ing the greater, more just team of God."

"This statement is not ours," Chittister said. "The statement is meant for you."

The women who wrote the Madeleva Manifesto are strong believers in the Catholic Church looking for a necessary change.

They will be entering into a dark time and we need to bank the fire," said Elizabeth Johnson, the 1993 guest lecturer. "This statement is going to keep that fire.

The 16 women call for justice and for "freedom, joy, contemplative intimacy and dignity," according to Monika Hellwig, the first Madeleva lecturer.

The women also look for change. They adopt the term feminism, but they want to change it to gospel feminism. Secular feminism, they said, has"part died" but that gospel feminism does not.

"One of the meanings of mentoring is to create a space where obedience to the truth is possible," said Elizabeth Dyre.

"Gospel feminism is a way that doesn't deny our differ­ ences, but allows us to understand what it means to change it to gospel feminism. They adopt the gospel feminism does not.

The women who wrote the Manifesto, Sandra Schneiders is a professor of New Testament studies at the Jesuit School of Theology in Berkeley and has written several books, including "Women and the Word."
Tests show turkey did not cause sickness

Tests of nine food samples and seven stool samples from students who became ill after eating turkey at North Dining Hall on Thursday, April 13, showed turkey was not the cause of the sickness, director of Food Services Dave Przentkowski said Friday.

"There was absolutely zero correlation between the turkey in the dining halls and the illnesses the students had," he said. "It did not come from the turkey at North Dining Hall. The tests verified that."

Przentkowski explained that officials who interviewed sick students at Health Services initially found a common link in the turkey. Food services considered food poisoning as the worst case scenario and removed the turkey as a precaution.

But as the week continued, students who had not eaten at North Dining Hall or who had eaten there long after the turkey was removed became ill, and University officials began to doubt that food poisoning was the cause.

"The speculation is that it is just a flu virus," said Przentkowski, who noted that the cause of the illness is still uncertain. "A contagious bacterial infection may also have been involved."

Officials are pleased with how the situation was handled, according to Przentkowski, who said that safety in Food Services' top priority.

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"It is, of course, a matter of attitudes as much as it is one of structures, so it will need the commitment of the students, faculty and administration equally to be successful, but we see it as being beneficial to all parties involved," Osborn said.

Although some committees currently have student members, no rules exist regarding how these students are elected or if students must be included on these committees.

"The report increases student membership on college councils and provides for their direct election. It also increases student membership on the Academic Council and university committees and provides for a centrally coordinated application and appointment process," Osborn said.

All the information for the proposal was gathered through interviews with the deans of all the colleges and many senior administrators. Osborn said he believes this research proves the issue is feasible and thus hopes the Trustees will respond favorably to the report.

"I'm hoping that they'll be receptive to the whole thing," he said. "I don't want to go into the meeting assuming that some points are hopeless. My attitude is that our report is very reasonable and the changes we propose have the best interests of the University at heart."

Furthermore, Osborn said he hopes he and Donahue will successfully present their proposal and argue their position persuasively, because the Trustees may find some of the issues disputable.

"We have the support of many senior faculty and administrators on many of our points," Osborn said. "But the report will be controversial, simply because it challenges the status quo. The issue of student representation on the Board of Trustees will also be contentious."

If the board approves the report, Osborn and Donahue will concentrate on implementation during the summer and throughout next year.

"The next step if the plan is approved is making the institutional changes that will be necessary," Osborn said. "It won't be possible to get everything accomplished before the end of the year, but we hope to get work done over the summer and be ready to hit the ground running next fall. I'm projecting that the earliest it would all be in place would be next spring. We're targeting the next student election cycle as the goal."

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Azerbaijani Popular Front protests parliamentary fraud

Baku, Azerbaijan

A leading opposition group said Sunday that 2000 people were detained and 60 were injured in a protest that saw police with batons violently dispersion about 4000 demonstrators. The Azerbaijani Popular Front said in a statement that 15 of its members, including several leaders, were arrested during protests in the capital on Saturday. Opposition leaders held the rally in downtown Baku to demand that this fall's parliamentary elections be free of fraud or government intimidation. Authorities refused to sanction it, saying they could hold a demonstration on the city's outskirts instead. But demonstrators ignored the order, and hundreds broke through police lines around the central Fuzuli Square. Police said 46 people were detained and 34 policemen wounded in the clashes.

Portuguese rival gangs clash

Lisbon, Portugal

Hundreds of young rival gang members armed with machetes, sticks and stones pummeled early Sunday in the East Timorese capital. At least four people were hurt and unconfirmed reports said one person was killed; according to the Portuguese news agency Lusa, U.N. police and troops were deployed to quell the violent street clashes. Lusa said the skirmishes lasted several hours until nightfall. Lisbon radio TSF said. Brawl first broke out at a soccer stadium where a martial arts demonstration was taking place. Lusa said Portuguese police and Brazilian soldiers reportedly moved in after the clashes spread to surrounding streets. The United Nations took over the administration of East Timor last year to end a campaign of violence by pro-Indonesia militias following a vote for independence.

Citadel demotes top-ranked female cadet

Charleston

The Citadel's top-ranked female cadet, one of the first women to attend the school, has been demoted over her reaction to being targeted by a new half prank. Petra Lovetitska was removed from cadet major and battalion executive officer to private and given 10 demerits. Lovetitska was targeted by the prank called "wiping out the shoes," said Citadel spokesman Heather Anderson. The prank is part of the 154-year-old military school's tradition. An upperclassman tells a freshman cadet, called a knob, to crawl under the table and pour condiments such as ketchup or salad dressing on an upperclassman's shoes without getting caught. What got Lovetitska in trouble is the way she reacted. She grabbed the knob, a male cadet, and wiped her shoes on his trousers.

Jewish settlers protest peace talks

Jerusalem

Israeli soldiers and para-military police forcibly removed dozens of Jewish settlers from a shipping container they had illegally set up in an attempt to expand their presence in the West Bank town of Hebron on Sunday. Meanwhile, Palestinian officials angrily protested Israeli plans to expand what is already the West Bank's largest Jewish settlement.

In Hebron, some settlers barricaded themselves inside the rust-colored structure festooned with Israeli flags, while others handcuffed themselves to its roof. Among those dragged off by the authorities were mothers holding infants. About 500 Jewish settlers live in Israeli-controlled enclaves in Hebron in tense proximity to the town's 130,000 Palestinians. The settlers said setting up the container on land near the Jewish enclave of Tel Rumeida—which was claim stolen was from the Jewish community—was also a protest against Jewish concessions to the Palestinians. Their action came hours before peace treaty talks were to resume between the two sides in the southern Israeli resort town of Eilat. The two sides have set Sept. 13 as a deadline for an agreement on campaign finance reform.
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fraid and Social Security cases, want to enter public service law. Others see it as a good opportunity to gain experience working with clients face-to-face.

When a client comes to the Clinic, it is usually the student who meets them first. Interns take down the case information and often, as Lodge does with Adela, help them fill out the necessary paperwork. Many times, students’ language skills facilitate this guidance. Not all of the Clinic’s clients, for example, are Spanish speakers, and his fluency helps him to handle their cases.

After the initial intake and meeting, clinic students discuss their cases with one of the Clinic staffers — three full time and several part-time lawyers. These professionals are licensed to practice in Indiana and supervise the process throughout. While no certified student, one who has completed one-half of law school, can appear before a judge in a courtroom, the intern gain trial experience as well. Thus, the program gives law students the chance to experience the legal process, both in the office and in the courtroom, while preparing for a life as an indigent Michiana residents.

In part because of the high cost of Law School tuition — $9,000 in Indiana and $12,000 at Notre Dame — law schools are looking for new ways to make their programs more affordable. One way is to offer a clinic program.

“Even if our students don’t go on to law school,” says Szweda, “the work they are doing here at least sensitizes them to the needs of the half-breed, basically,” said Judith Fox, who teaches in the Clinic. “And they’ll consider those things when they’re taking whatever kind of firm they go into and they’ll be willing to take on cases that aren’t the bone cases.”

Lodge is one of those students. She will go to work for a firm in Phoenix, Ariz., next year, but she hopes to stay in the Legal Aid program for a longer stretch of time. “They make the application and then Lodge will mail the application. It will probably be at least two years before Adela receives a reply. The U.S. government grants approximately 50,000 temporary residencies each year to asylum cases, but, in the busy immigration season, the office has to ask them of their client. “It’s kind of a paperwork nightmare,” she says. Fortunately for her application, Adela answers no to all of these questions.

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ND law teams win national contest

By KELLY HAGER
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The Notre Dame Law School trial teams were crowned national champions and second place finalists at the 25th Annual National Trial Competition (NTC) March 30 through April 1.

Sponsored by the American College of Trial Lawyers and The Texas Yong Lawyer’s Association, the competition was held in Dallas, Texas. From the 280 teams that originally entered the competition at the regional level, only 24 emerged to compete at nationals. To be eligible to compete at the national level, teams first must win first or second place at regional level competitions. Finishing first and second place at regionals, both the Blue Team and the Gold Team advanced. Notre Dame has not progressed to the national level since 1993.

For competition at nationals, the Barrister’s were given a fictitious case — Old Trustworthy Insurance Company v. Garden Tower — and four weeks to prepare. During the four weeks, the teams practiced an average of 10 to 15 hours a week. Progressing through quarterfinals and semifinals leading to their final victory, the championship team faced and defeated Georgetown, Hofstra, Howard, Stetson in a two-year reigning national champion Temple. The second place national finalists faced and defeated Western New England, Maine, Houston, Syracuse and University of Washington on their way to the final round.

As top seeds in each of their competition brackets, Notre Dame's Blue and Gold teams found themselves in an awkward position — they had to compete against each other. Although they had practiced together, this was the first time the two teams faced each other in competition. "It was a joke about it regionally, but never thought it would happen," said Tamara Walker, Blue Team captain and president of the Black Law Association. "We were not prepared for it to happen."

Only one other school in the history of the NTC has had teams that won both first and second place in the competition. "It was unreal — all our practice and hard work had paid off," Walker said. "No matter the outcome we couldn't have succeeded without the support of the rest of the team.

The Blue Team will be comprised of Shazty Naseem, president of the Student Bar Association, and Anu Tyagi and Stephen Murphy, were named national champions. Their teammates, the Gold Team, is comprised of captain and president of the Blue Law Association. "We weren't prepared for it to happen," said Mary's.

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GOP hearings on Elian may be no-go

WASHINGTON Congressional hearings on the government's seizure of Elian Gonzalez may never happen, despite Republican demands for an inquiry into the Justice Department's use of force, a key lawmaker says.

Senate Judiciary Committee Chairman Orrin Hatch, R-Utah, said he will need to see the government's documents before deciding whether such proceedings are warranted. "Once we get those, I think we can make an intelligent appraisal as to whether hearings should be held or not. Whether we should go forth, whether we should not," Hatch said Sunday on NBC's "Meet the Press."

Asked if hearings might not be held at all, he replied: "If there's not justifiable, I guess there won't be."

Democrats said Hatch's reasoning for postponing the proceedings gives Republicans a graceful way to bow to public opinion, which polls show has overwhelmingly swung against a congressional inquiry.

"I doubt there will be hearings, and there shouldn't be hearings," Sen. Patrick Leahy of Vermont, the top Democrat on Hatch's committee, said on NBC.

The possibility of no hearings is a stark departure from the demands of GOP congressional leaders last week, who accused Attorney General Janet Reno of prematurely ending negotiations with the 6-year-old Elian's relatives in Miami and ordering an excessively forceful raid on their home.

Federal agents seized Elian on April 22 and reunited him with his father, Juan Miguel Gonzalez. The pair, along with Elian's stepmother and infant half brother are staying in a secluded retreat on Maryland's Eastern Shore.

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Clinton pushes plan to protect consumers’ privacy

Associated Press

VPISLANTI, Mich. — American consumers run too many risks as they unwittingly divulge growing amounts of personal and financial information, President Clinton said Sunday as he proposed reforms in the way banks, insurers and other corporations share information about their customers.

“No one should have to worry that the results of their latest physical exam could deny them a home mortgage or a credit card,” Clinton said during a commencement address at Eastern Michigan University.

“A bank is not just a bank,” in today’s fast-changing financial services industry, Clinton said. There are downspouts to the interconnected web of corporations and services that make many daily tasks easier for many consumers, Clinton said.

“In this information age, we can’t let new opportunities erode old, fundamental rights,” Clinton said. “We can’t let breakthroughs in technology break down the walls of privacy.”

Clinton’s plan would, in many cases, require a company to tell customers it was going to share information about them, and give customers a new right to review their credit reports for errors. The plan, which stands little chance of passage in Congress this election year, includes protections Clinton supported in the past and which he said were lacking in banking reforms passed last year after more than a decade of wrangling.

The banking law, which Clinton signed in November, makes it easier for financial firms to merge and use economies of scale to lower costs on products such as checking accounts, insurance policies and brokerage services. But critics, including much of the financial services industry and some congressional Republicans, say Clinton’s new proposal undermines last year’s legislation.

Opponents said adding additional consumer controls would prevent securities, banking and insurance firms from creating less expensive financial services for customers.

The White House labeled the new proposals a Clinton-Gore plan and the vice president hopes to make a campaign issue of further consumer protection in the fast-changing world of financial information. GOP presidential nominee George W. Bush has not taken a position on the Clinton plan.

Public opinion polls chart a growing concern among Americans that they must divulge too much information to too many anonymous institutions. At the same time, Americans are eagerly using the new kinds of services that many of those institutions offer, such as buying and banking online.

Clinton spoke to more than 1,300 graduates at Eastern Michigan, a public university just outside Detroit. Clinton plans two more commencements this spring, his last as president.

Later Sunday, Clinton was the headliner at a fund-raising dinner for the Detroit-area National Association for the Advancement of Colored People. The event, which organizers said drew about 9,000 people, also honored Rep. John Conyers, D-Mich., for his civil rights work and legislative career.

In his speech, Clinton ticked off a list of accomplishments during his administration, such as lower crime rates and the booming economy, and called on Congress to pass gun control legislation and vote on his languishing judicial appointments.

The president was particularly pointed in criticizing the Senate for delaying the judicial votes, including some who have waited for three years.

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Gay activists meet on Capitol Hill

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Hundreds of thousands of gays and supporters marched Sunday on the Capitol, transforming the National Mall into a sea of multicolored flags and joining hands in a show of unity they hope will transform recent victories into wider protections for homosexuals.

"We're only asking for the same rights as anyone else," said Adam May of Atlanta, who walked with the throngs of marchers. "Improving one person...pains everyone at risk of losing.

In a crowd dotted with openly gay celebrities, the marchers celebrated a week of victories that included passage of a new law in Vermont giving gays marriage-like rights and a renewal of the federal hate crimes prevention act.

The spring menus are in bloom at Sorin's.

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Gore in search of complement for VP

• Candidate might look for GOP mate

Associated Press

ABOARD AIR FORCE TWO

In his most extensive public comments yet on his top-secret search for a running mate, Vice President Al Gore said Sunday he is looking for someone unlike himself and hasn't ruled out tapping a Republican.

"It's most unlikely, I don't want to mislead you," Gore said. "But I don't completely rule it out.

He was asked about the possibility during a discussion with reporters about bipartisanism - the theme these days of Republican rival George W. Bush - in which Gore said, "My natural instincts are to reach out and create bipartisan coalitions."

Gore insisted on keeping silent about who will be No. 2 out of deference, he said, to the candidates who will be vetted by former Secretary of State Warren Christopher, who is heading up Gore's search.

But on a campaign flight from Boston to Washington, Gore, who ventured into the press cabin to trumpet his meeting with Republican Sen. John McCain earlier in the day, entertained an expansive musings about what he's looking for in a running mate.

He said he is forcing himself to get past what he called a natural "human instinct" to seek out someone like himself and he disagreed with prominents in political circles who say the pool of obvious Democratic candidates - particularly minorities and women - is pretty shallow.

"You ask the question is the person the best person to take over as president would that become necessary," Gore said.

In discounted speculation that his choice would be affected by who Bush selects as a running mate. The Republicans National Convention where Bush and his running mate will be nominated comes two weeks before the Democrats convene on Aug. 14.

"The conventions are so close together that whether or not [my choice] is nominated will be effectively made before then," Gore said.

As for the process, Gore said he has spoken with Christopher on how to proceed but "I have not given him a list of names."
No 'ultimate sap' in this goodbye

So this is my last regular column as an undergradu­ate student at Saint Mary's. I'd always thought that I'd put a bit of time and effort, a lot of sweat and tears, into my last column here. After all, I've been doing this every two weeks for the past three years. And although I've produced some sloppy thinking and had writing over the years, I've also written a few pieces that I'm still really proud of. Overall, writing this column has been a blast and I don't regret it for a second. Well, except for the three million seconds I'd spend before every deadline desperately trying to find a topic.

Any topic.

So what's the reason that I'd reward my nine loyal readers with something that really phenomenal for this column. Something touchingly poignant, or brilliantly witty and stupendously profound. Something that would make people turn and look at each other and say, "Wow." Something that people would bring up as a conversation topic. "Hey, did you read The Observer today? There's a great column in here! You gotta read it." Something that would make hundreds of people rush for their scissors and make a mad dash at the paper in order to clip this out.

Finally, I haven't written anything brilliantly witty since my freshman year, when I had my French philosophy teacher, who hadn't written any thing stupendously profound since my sophomore year. And touchingly poignant? Hmm. I don't think I've ever done anything that was touchingly poignant. (I use "touchingly poignant" as a synonym for "ultimate sap." It's just not my genre.) In fact, I haven't done any thing all semester. Yes, all semester. I do not read for my classes. I turn papers in days late. And I don't stress about it.

On the other hand, I have friends who don't turn papers in this semester at all. So maybe I'm doing better than most.

In other words, the senioritis bug has finally bitten me too, and I don't have the energy left to write the earth-shattering, news-making, Ted Koppel-calling column that I wanted to. Oh well. This response is pure sign of senioritis. Please understand one thing. Seniors do not care anymore.

About anything.

I would however, like to take the time to thank the people who made writing this column such a great time. The various highlightS of administrations, national and local, choosing me to turn it into a column, and my parents, who would always try to give me topic ideas when I whined I had nothing to write about, and then patiently put up with me when I rejected every one of their suggestions. I'd also like to thank my parents for all the criticism (good and bad) they gave me. "I'm a better writer now than I was three years ago, it's because of them." Finally, I'd also like to thank the two people who had lunch with me this afternoon. When I whined about how I wanted to make a really good column and couldn't think of anything, they suggested that I write just that: Blame this on them.

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Money mentality causes debt, sacrifices quality students

Like hundreds of my fellow students probably did, I received a half-joking, half-scared e-mail from my father the day he got Father Malloy's letter in the mail regarding the tuition increase. The lowest percentage increase of tuition in two decades, huh? Is that supposed to make us feel comforted?

But the real issue isn't with the letter. It's with the University's refusal to freeze tuition (or God forbid) lower it. It is true that we did increase our net assets by $259.3 million and have the luxury of a $30 million budget surplus, why do so many students face the possibility of not returning next year? Friday's Observer article about the budget surplus indicated that in order to attract the brightest students to Notre Dame, we need to continue to increase spending on incursals and infra-structure. But are we that naive to assume that the best high school seniors in the country are the ones whose parents can afford Notre Dame's skyrocketing costs?

The bottom line is this: Notre Dame refuses to halt tuition increase because they assume that the less expensive equals less quality. Rice University, which is ranked higher than Notre Dame in most U.S. News and Report rankings (14th to 20th), tops us out at just over $21,000 a year. CalTech, this year's No. 1-ranked school in the nation, is cheaper than Notre Dame as well. But because Harvard is $32,000 a year, we feel that we have to be too. This keeps us elite.

This mentality not only drives hundreds of top students from Notre Dame every year, but also pugs students like me so far in debt that they end up paying out much more for much longer than they can afford to.

I'm not blaming the Financial Aid office — they have the unenviable task of fairly allocating what funds they are given to work with. But if private donations fund so much of our building costs, why can't we afford to divert more money to Financial Aid? Next time you visit one of the many new immaculate buildings on campus, ask yourself what's most important to our administration. Hey ND, thanks for paying your tuition.

Grant Gholson
Senior
Keenan Hall
April 29, 2000

"I have a simple philosophy. Fill what's empty. Empty what's full. Scratch where it itches."

Alice Roosevelt Longworth
American author, daughter of Theodore Roosevelt
SI article paints skewed picture of ND

While the April 28 Sports Illustrated article on the Notre Dame football program relates a number of valid issues, I wonder why the admissions office does not insist even to speak with SI when the article’s intent is to paint an unfavorable picture of the office’s role in recruiting student-athletes to Notre Dame.

It is especially troubling that the circumstances of individual admission decisions for student athletes are now national news, when those circumstances are private matter for the prospective student, parents, and the school. Wouldn’t a simple “no comment” have sufficed?

Also, why does the admissions director allow SI to take a photo of him as if he has just decreed from the throne of heaven inside the Dome to “let message the school wants to send?” It just doesn’t seem necessary. There is a media element that would never like Notre Dame, who for a number of national championships every year and the whole team went to the NFL, and did off season Notre — why fan the flames? This is PR 101-it seems! We haven’t learned anything from the Joe Moore and Kim Dunbar PR fiascos.

It bothers me that freshman calculus now appears to be the sole barometer of a student’s future academic success. As a parent of two current Notre Dame students, I appreciate the breadth and standards of a rigorous academic curriculum. However, I struggled through calculus at Notre Dame almost twenty years ago and can honestly say that in 25 years as a CPA in public accounting and a CFO for a large healthcare company, I cannot recall one practical application of calculus in my day-to-day tasks. In addition, I have many classmates who never took calculus and have gone on to outstanding professional and personal careers graduating from Notre Dame. Obviously, there are other success factors that are pertinent here, but the article it appeared that certain people were denied admission solely because of a perceived inability to handle calculus.

The last years have indicated that Tony Rice and Chris Zorich are even better people than they were Notre Dame football players. They succeeded because of their own hard work and proper support, not because they were given a chance. It’s too bad they wouldn’t have that chance today.

I don’t know any of the recruits mentioned in the article, and I did have the opportunity to see Jarrett Payton play and observe him at a few post-season ban- ner games, so I have only played in the same conference. He had a nose and presence that would have fit well at Notre Dame.

Don’t we always have strange times during the difficult time of his father’s death. It’s a shame he did not get the same opportunity as Rice and Zorich simply because someone thought he couldn’t handle calculus.

The admissions office at Notre Dame has a tough job, and many times it is a thankless one. I know from working on the Alumni Scholarship Committee here in the Chicago area that these people always have an eye on the team of Notre Dame at heart in whatever they do.

But I don’t think SI cares about that; they just wanted the story. Next time, certain parts of the story should stay in the family.

Ed O’Connell
Claus of ‘87
Chicago, Ill.

ROTC is cause to mourn

Mourning, surely, is the deepest form of protest. And so, Pax Christi-N.D mourns the ROTC Presidential Review that took place on South Quad last Wednesday. Indeed, that this glorification of violence took place at a Catholic university named after the mother of Jesus should be cause for us all to mourn.

Instead of protesting this display of destructive power in a humble and peaceful fashion, as would belft ministers of the church, “Reviewing Officers” Malloy and Smith — two men in part responsible for the Christian formation of Notre Dame students — stood with the officers of the deeply un-Christian military. Monk’s action suggests that “Country” and “Notre Dame” may have unspoken ‘God” in the hierarchy we proclaim on the side of the Basilica. Our allegiance is not with the teachings of the Gospels, but rather with the authority of the state. This morally reprehensible.

Our administration tells us that we host the “Ministry of Defense” so as to infuse the military with officers of Christian moral sensibilities. Tell us that you, the U.S. military works to promote and sustain peace in the world. Tell us that, in accordance with Just War Theory, the U.S. uses military force as a last resort. If this is true, then why do we proudly salute, ooh, aah and marvel at armed warplanes as they fly overhead?

Do we not realize that an F-16, though technologically astounding, is manufactured sensitivity) would have much rather preferred the latter. Posternity demands such a price.

I think that Juan Miguel Gonzalez knew, long before coming here, probably at the time of Elian’s recovery, or shortly thereafter, that any petition for asylum filed on his behalf would probably be turned down. And that’s because this present administration is not willing to pay the cost of another Mariel for an Elian. Knowing that the U.S. government’s denial (despite its manufactured sensitivity) would have ultimately led to his untimely death upon his return to Cuba. Mr. Gonzalez has acted reasonably within the face of danger.

As Cuban Americans, we have to do two things. First, we have to do a better job of painting the big picture. So far, our emotions have gotten the best of us. And finally, we need to realize that somewhere in that picture, there are similar cultures and peoples, although somewhat different in many ways, but just as beautiful nonetheless, whose circumstances bear a striking resemblance to those of our own.

Manny Losada, Ph.D.
Miami, Fl.
April 29, 2000

Send in your letters for the graduation edition.
Art and murder mix in ‘Lo Mein’

By MARY ANNE LEWIS

The following is an excerpt of an interview with Robert Eringer:

Q. What inspired you to write “Lo Mein”? A. A variety of disparate influences, a balance of caffeine and alcohol, a dash of futurity. And a brief newspaper article about the dangers of eating spoiled broiled..."After rejection number forty-five, Stukey began a countdown inside his Soho loft; "Willard Stukey is a painter. Moreover, he is a creative genius entitled to much fame and success. Rejection simply does not belong in his vocabulary, and he would never think to apply it to himself. But his first painting is not received well, nor his second, nor his third — until he swears to himself that after the 50th rejection, he will switch media and thereby achieve the glory he so deserves and embodies. He will deposit his genius into other arenas. He will devote himself to fulfilling his destiny as an artistic master. He will make the public recognize his supertalented stance. Willard Stukey, mass murderer, famous American celebrity, began his career in Walt Disney World!“Stukey is a correct, ladies and gentlemen. Stukey has found a new medium: killing people. Now he must explore this form. How does one perform the perfect killing, how does one bring about the divine ending? Form, after all, is of utmost importance — especially in one’s masterpiece — the grand finale. Kill somebody and fulfill rule number one in the art world: “Stir emotion.” Fulfill rule number one in the art world and watch the art collector s know. You have crossed your own. So speak to you. Willard Stukey is preparing himself to break records. When you can Stukey has a plan. Meet “Lo Mein.” a novel by Robert Eringer, who was once upon a time a nonfiction writer and who now writes high-flying, creative自杀取向 novels. This pastime amuses him while simultaneously enabling him to earn some money. Journalism did not suffice in providing the haven that he sought for his imaginings. And so he switched to a more involving prospect — the novel, as defined by Eringer. He loves what he does and hopes his readers grasp such mirth from his writing.

In his most recent book, “Lo Mein: A Novel,” Eringer’s imagination and provocative flair for the distortion of reality comes through magnificently, striking the reader at odd, but somehow wonderful intervals. Somewhat like the author himself, “Lo Mein’s” principal character, Willard Stukey, has decided to change his career a bit. This explains his decision to perform more innovative murders rather than paint. The larger does not end after all. In more thought and preparation, a plan is put into action. For Stukey to capture the nation’s hottest criminal celebrity, Jeff Dalkin is the name of that agent, and he and Stukey make for quite a pair.

In his own way, Eringer takes on the role of painter as he portrays a bizarre world with bright and flashing colors, vivid action and the insanity of wonder. “Lo Mein” is a book that will make one laugh and wonder about this crazy world. Eringer ensures that the reader takes on the role of writer while reading the book, for he leaves ideas and paths wide-open throughout the novel. The reader provides the answers to questions concerning priorities, pop culture, art and humanity.

Finally, in the words of Robert Eringer: “Eventually everyone dies. Life went on. “Three hundred years later, Willard Stukey was recognized as the greatest artist of his time. Lo mein.”

The novel is currently available. See the publisher’s website, http://www.corinthianbooks.com, for additional publicity information.

Tech Column

Home of future is wired for change

With computers penetrating everyone’s life at a staggering rate, it is only a matter of time until they enter the household with the same force.

The idea of creating a “home of future” is nothing new, but lately the steps toward making it a reality are becoming more and fewer.

Recently, there have been many advances in networking technology and wireless communication that will make the goal of a fully wired home possible. With the new devices that are coming out, like the ones I wrote about in my last column, the devices are already beginning to take upon themselves to try and communicate with each other. But a universal standard is going to be required before there is a truly computerized solution.

The latest device to hit the consumer market for the home is the concept of Internet appliances. The first to market a device like this was the Neatlines Company who sold the first Internet appliance, the T-Observer, for about $200 in the middle of 1998. Since then, companies such as Bell, Compaq and Sun have all reportedly begun work on their own versions of these products.

These devices are in a montage of forms, but usually offer the same basic functions. These functions can include things such as e-mail, the Internet, voice messaging or even virtual cookbooks. But the production of these devices will have much more than these basic functions. As the Internet gains more and more users, it will be possible for all of our interactions with others and our source for all the information we could ever want. You can already sign up for daily e-mails on your favorite sports team or information on daily news in a city in any of the 50 states. So, it is not too unbelievable to imagine a world where you download full movies, TV shows or even digital books — straight to a centralized unit in your home for personal enjoyment.

The Xerox company has recently invented digital paper, which when interacted with a scanner-like device, changes the print to what you download on another setup of pages. And other manufacturers have begun to create Internet appliances that are portable — like the webpads from the Qube Company that communicate with the Internet through a wireless connection.

Currently, it connects through a wireless modem but can easily be converted to a simple connection with a central computer in one’s home. There is also a newer technology referred to as blue tooth technology, which allows multiple devices to "talk" to each other in an universal language, making for higher interaction between electronic devices.

With the world becoming more digitally minded and anxious for technology, these changes will eventually take shape. Once the bugs are worked out and the technologies involved are published, we will all see a large amount of change take place in our daily lives. The homes of the future will have many new gadgets and gizmos — some of which have already appeared in our imagination. One thing is for sure, though: The home of the future is about to get a lot more interesting.

On a more personal note, this is to be my final column for The Observer here at Notre Dame. After being the sports administrator for two years, this was a welcomed break from fixing the daily problems that we have here.

I hope that you have enjoyed reading the topics I discussed or that you at least read part of them. But most importantly, I hope that at least when you read my column you learned something from it. I am always happy to "talk tech" with anyone, whether they are my family, friends or counterculture. To all the other graduate students out there, congratulations. I wish you good luck. And, to all who have detracts behind, remember that your time here is short and savor it while you can. Thanks for reading, and I will see you in Cyberspace.

The views expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.
Dietrich caps off sweet victory for seniors

By KATHLEEN O'BRIEN
Asst Sports Editor

Both Keyplay.com and NDToday.com sailed through the Bookstore Basketball tournament, flattening their competition like steamrollers. But I had to lose when they played one another in Sunday’s finals.

In a classic Bookstore showdown, the two teams traded the lead throughout the game—one that could have easily gone either way. Keyplay.com found its niche at the right time, though, and scored the final five points to earn a 21-17 victory and go home champions.

NDToday.com’s B.J. Klooska, a crowd favorite, put his squad ahead 17-16 with a shot from behind the 3-point line. Those were the last points ND Today would score, as Keyplay silenced their offense the rest of the way.

"Down the stretch, I think we all got our second wind," Keyplay.com’s Tom Dietrich said. "(B.J.) Teasdale had a couple big baskets. Cas (Schneller) had a couple big rebounds. Paul (Moore) clamped down on defense." Jimmy (Dillon) had that 3-point shot. That was a bomb. That made them tighten up on defense, and let us get to the basket.

Dillon finally found his variety playing form after an unimpressive start, and slammed home a dunk on a pass from Tournament MVP, Dietrich.

NDToday turned the ball over its next trip down the court, then fouled Keyplay’s Schneller to send him to the free throw line. Schneller missed the free shot, but his team retained possession, and Dietrich poured in one of his team-high eight buckets with a put-back jammer.

"I thought that we matched up with them pretty well with the exception of Tom (Dietrich)," Klooska said. "He just seemed to be too good every time he got the ball. That’s what MVP’s do."

Down 18-17, ND Today missed a shot which bounced out of bounds to hand possession back to Keyplay. Throwing down the court, Dillon drew up and knocked down a surprise attempt, a long-distance shot from well behind the 3-point line that gave Keyplay all the momentum.

In a loose-court situation, re-funs called a jump ball, which kept possession in the hands of ND Today. But they missed their next shot, and were called for a foul on the rebound. Keyplay missed its first three attempts from the charity stripe, but Teasdale managed to null one to give Keyplay a 20-17 lead, just one point from victory.

"Our fouls in the end killed us," NDToday’s Dave Mikolyzk said. "That had to do with the ending. It just went their way."

The two squads scrambled for a jump ball, and this time the possession arrow pointed in favor of Keyplay. Dietrich, who was red-hot all day from the field, continued his streak. He took a 3-point-range shot, and even the hand of ND Today’s T.J. Muelling in his face couldn’t prevent the shot. The Fighting Irish became the 2000 Tournament MVP, said. And, with four seniors, got the results they’d searched for the past two years.

"We really wanted to make sure we were the ones on fire at the end this time. We were determined to go out as winners." Cas Schneller, Keyplay.com

Keyplay.com’s Jimmy Dillon (No. 3) lifts Tom Dietrich into the air after Dietrich hit the game-winning shot in the Bookstore Basketball championships. Teammate Paul Moore (No. 1) looks on. Keyplay.com defeated NDToday.com 21-17.

As the game came to a close, the crowd roared as Tom Dietrich hit the gamewinning shot in the Bookstore Basketball championships.

"It’s really nice to be recognized after four years," Mikolyzk said. "My whole team earned this award.

In addition to Dietrich being named Tournament MVP, Keyplay’s Schneller earned Second Team All-Tournament honors. While only Teasdale is an underclassman from Keyplay’s squad, NDToday returns all but Mikolyzk and Mark Godish.

"I’ll come back next year to watch you guys win," Godish promised Klooska as he walked off the court.
Brandenburg pulls off three-peat with JAAKE

By BRIAN KESSLER
American Sports Editor

When Erin Brandenburg took the court in the finals of Bookstore Basketball XXIX, she had one thought in mind — "three-peat.

And Sunday, the third-year law student knew exactly how to make it.

Brandenburg poured in eight points to lead No. 1 JAAKE to a 21-9 victory over No. 2 Muffet's Second String in a hard-fought game that took more than an hour to conclude.

"I think the difference was experience," said Brandenburg, who captured her third straight women's Bookstore title. "Kelli Moran and I won last year and Amy Anderson and I won the year before. So we definitely had experience on our side.

"JAAKE took advantage of that experience. On Brandenburg and Moran were on fire from the outside and JMKE in the paint. We knew we could play against their zone, so it was tough early on," Brandenburg said. "We started to make a run and then they switched to man and we knew we could play against man defense.

"Freshman Kaitlin McEwen finally got Muffet's Second String on the scoreboard and Colleen Sullivan added a jumper to give JAAKE an 11-2 advantage early in the second half. Early in the second half, Muffet's Second String found themselves in foul trouble, but JAAKE couldn't capitalize.

"Sophomore Meg Reynolds of Muffet's Second String opened the second half with a sweet drive to the basket. The trimmed McEwen, Sullivan and Holly Hoffman got hot on the action, rattling off three straight hoops to make a game of it. Reynolds scored again to cap the 5-0 run and cut the lead to 11-7. JAAKE, however, struggled shooting at the rock at its second half.

"I was getting sick to my stomach (when they made that run). But I knew we could come back," Brandenburg said. "We were taking good shots, but the lid wouldn't come off the rim. We were able to stick together tough and hung in there and eventually we were able to break them down. We knew we were playing good defense and so if they were going to come back, it was going to take a long time."

"JAAKE eventually settled down and Moran finally put an end to Muffet's Second String's run. JAAKE stopped the intensity on defense and held in oppo­nent to just two points down the stretch. McEwen scored twice for Muffet's Second String, but missed free throw and poor execution led to its demise.

"JAAKE took advantage of turnovers and fast break opportunities to close out the victory. JAAKE's defense was seemingly unhindered by scores accounted for seven of JAAKE's second half points. Moran finally ended it with a game-winning free throw."

Brandenburg led the way for JAAKE with a game high eight points.

"That was rare," Brandenburg said.

Meghan Crisham of Muffet's Second String drove her team past No Name but Got Game into the finals, but couldn't get past JAAKE for the championship.

"Usually everyone else steps up, but today, my teammates were making good passes and I was hitting my shots in the first half. Then we really got out fast break going in the second half."

Morgan finally ended it with a game-winning free throw.

"JAAKE was fun out there; I really had a blast," Brandenburg said. "They were tough. But we all wanted this bad and we came out and really played well as a team.

"JAAKE advanced to the championship game with a 21-12 victory over No. 4 Bill Puppets in Friday's semifinal game. Muffet's Second String made it to the finals with a win over No. 6 No Name but Got Game.

Hall of Fame game showcases talent of Bookstore

Bookstore 2000 Awards

Mr. Bookstore - Steve Craig (Franchise) MVP - Tom Dietrich (Keyplay.com) Iron Man (courage through injury) - Matt Wolbeck (Majestics) - Severe nerve in forearm Hoosier Award (Player who shoots the most, but scores the least) - Red Crock( (Coco Butter) Golden Hat (biggest backer) - Dan McGowan (Double Down) First Team All-Bookstore Ross Hansen - Versatility Pete Ryan - Majestics Dave Mikolyzk - NDToday.com Sean McCarthy - F-Bombs B.J. Kloska - NDToday.com Second Team All-Bookstore Cas Schneller - Keyplay.com Tim Muething - NDToday.com Matt Canna - Franchise Doug Bartels - F-Bombs Justin Heberle - Majestics

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Doherty plays to crowd with feisty play in gold team victory

By KEVIN BERCHOU
Sports Writer

What do you get when you combine your own celebrities, Bookstore all-stars, and a little debauchery on a bright, sunny Sunday afternoon on the St重点领域 Centers Courts? Trouble.

No, the Bookstore Basketball Hall of Fame game of course.

In a contest that was far more fun than it was furious, Gold defeated Blue 21-13 in the annual Bookstore Basketball Hall of Fame clas­sic on an afternoon that fea­ured everything from a Leprechaun making a layup to a Notre Dame couch (surprise) heckling the officials.

Men's basketball coach Matt Doherty was on hand to steal the show, showcasing a dazzling repertoire of long range shooting and reverse lay-ups, while swatting shot after shot from his defensive post.

Sparked by the fiery play of Doherty's captains, the Gold squad bolted to an 11-6 half­time lead and never looked back.

"The guys were intense on defense against evil with the ball on offense," Doherty noted. "I thought we played well.

Teamed with familiar com­pany in former player Skyward Owens, Doherty and his pro­tege led a team that also fea­tured Bookstore all-stars Pete Ryan, Coley Brady and Matt Canna, in addition to Keough Hall rector and Nunc Dimitius player Father Tom Doyle.

The Gold team triumphed over a Blue team that was captained by leprechaun Mike Brown and coached by athlete­ic director Kevin White. Todd Palmer suited up for the Blue squad, but was outdone by his coach who seemed to relish his role as the "go-to guy."

"We focused on shutting down Palmer," Doherty said. Though the casual observer may have thought otherwise, the Irish coach hasn't had much time to work on his game.

"I haven't worked on it all year," Doherty admitted. "If I did I'd be broken down.

All Doherty did Sunday was break down the competition. After finding his touch from three-point range, Doherty forced the defense to respect his "game" and was able to compensate for his dubious lack of sport with some ball fakes that led to some highlight reel buck­ets.

The Gold team was also boosted by the solid play of Owens, who was mocked by Doherty for finally getting some playing time.

"I'm amazed how Sky Owens doesn't practice all year and then comes out and is all ready for Bookstore," said a suffled Doherty.

After seeing their lead stretched to 16-9, the Gold team moved to put the game out of reach. Mighty Moose Matt Canna did just that, dunking on basket that was thought to be far out of his reach with a boost from team­mate Pat Brady.

From there on in, the "real pros" took over, as Doherty buried a couple long-range bombs before Sky Owens caught an alley-oop off the backcourt and slammed home the victory.

Father Doyle and the clergy proud with his feisty play and contributed several assists to the effort. But Doherty was unim­pressed.

"It's a good thing he has a job on campus as a rector, because he belongs on the bench in a col­lar," Doherty noted emphati­cally.

Always on the lookout for talent to help next year's var­ious teams, Doherty noted that he found none, but did note that Mike Brown "would make a good leprechaun."

After leading the Gold team to victory, Coach Doherty had high hopes for another of his pupils to score a Sunday afternoon afternoon victory. Doherty stalked around for the men's final, the result of which he correctly predicted.

"Jimmy Dillon all the way," he had said.
Top-notch talent makes tournament unique event

In a time when fans pay up to $300 to see a college basketball game in which the players are often more интерес than the game itself, securing multimillion dollar NCAA contracts is a challenge. Bookstore Basketball offers the Notre Dame community the biggest bargain in town.

Outsiders get a free ride, but the game's big enchilada is Irish Insight, a high school basketball played by guys revving up excited about every chance to compete. They get to watch players give all their all all day all game -- and the rewards of outhers' cheers and opponents' screams.

The most exciting part of the tournament is watching it up that hill at St. John and seeing homecourt advantage. There was no place to watch a pick-up game. There was just a lot of energy. Team All-Tournament Franchise player Matt Canna said: "I think the fans almost have a better time than the players."

NDToday.com junior B.J. Kloska, a First Team All-Tournament pick, was sought by multiple big-time basketball schools but the Elkhart native chose to come to Notre Dame instead. His dream had always been to come to Notre Dame and he felt, ultimately or initially, that he could get a diploma. Kloska said.

Kloska managed to walk on the high school team a year ago, but chose not to repeat the effort this season. He kept playing hoops at Rolfs all day to prepare for B.B.A. and to form some great friendships.

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"I'm just lucky because I got to build up my game over the years," said Kloska. "But I also keep in mind that college is for one year, and that's a diploma. It was kind of a pipe dream for me. My friends are in college, and it was tastic. I wouldn't change that for anything. After all it's all said and done, you have to walk away with your face."

Several football players starred on the hardwood in high school. Squad's Eric Chappell was named all-state in basketball. Notre Dame's Jesse Fisher of Coco Butter averaged 20 points and 10 rebounds per game. Chappell named the MVP of the state bas-

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All the sentiments came out in Keyplay.com’s victory over NDToday.com, from excitement in triumph to disappointment in loss, from exhilaration after a made 3-pointer to frustration at a missed shot. The hundreds of fans gathered at Stepan to watch the game got more than their money’s worth, as they saw a nailbiter game for no cost.

Keyplay.com’s Jimmy Dillon slams home a dunk after catching the ball mid-air on a pass from Tom Dietrich. The basket started a five-point run for Keyplay.com that cemented its victory over NDToday.com.

Bookstore Basketball XXIX

The members of NDToday.com (right) huddles together in the disappointment of defeat while a victorious Keyplay.com (left) celebrates with fans after winning the Bookstore Basketball championship. B.J. Kloska, Tim Muething, Mark Godish, Dave Mikolyzk and Todd Titus played on NDToday.com.
By BRIAN SEAMAN
Scene Theater Critic

Voices soared this weekend as the Notre Dame Opera appeased the audience's sweet tooth with a production of Engelbert Humperdinck's "Hansel and Gretel."

Setting the famous fairy tale to beautiful lyrical melodies and lines, Humperdinck admirably extends the range of this tale far past two children, their parents and a witch, by infusing angles, a sandman and a dew fairy — all to good effect.

Despite this extension, the production nonetheless remains focused on the adventures and trials of the title characters, Hansel and Gretel, played in this production by Michelle Holden and Anney Gillotte respectively.

Playing Gretel, Anney Gillotte delighted the audience, warning the stage with her cherubic face and gentle voice. While singing opposite a performer with a bit more vocal prowess, Gillotte nevertheless charmed the audience, inviting them not only to witness her character's happiness, but also to smile right along with her.

As an energetically naive Hansel, Michelle Holden commanded attention with her soaring voice and strong abilities.

Ms. Holden’s mastery of the stage was especially apparent while engaged in childish play throughout the show, her voice reflecting an enjoyment of the task at hand.

Yet, it is this very enjoyment which seemed lacking in the production as a whole. Despite the opera being about two playful children, the actors were at times too concentrated on the moving melody lines to consider their enjoyment as characters or singers.

This was evident throughout, yet especially apparent in a scene in which Hansel and Gretel come upon the candy coated house of the evil witch. Instead of being elated by the absolute joy of such a childhood dream, they were restrained — as if they were so concentrated on making the singing beautiful that conveying a sense of joy to the audience was secondary.

Yet the energetic shot in the arm that this production needed was provided with brilliance by Paula Rae Kearney in her role as the Witch.

Kearney’s first entrance, painted with black teeth and menacing fingernails, was comic perfection, pecking out of a Dutch oven, Gillotte delightfully watching from scorching the witch’s oven. Gilotte and Kearney played comic prattle off each other breathtakingly — suggesting to the audience that these actresses would be equally perfect in a musical comedy.

Apart from Gillette, Kearney claimed the stage as her own during a sky high solo performance in the third act. Brandishing a magic wand, this lovably terrifying witch clicked her clawed fingernails at the audience, inviting them to fall under the same spell as the children.

While casting her spell, the witch shook her hips as if her feminine wiles were the basis of her magic; such a transfer of voice to the number of musicians, the singers were sheer candy coated delight for the audience, yet these singers were required to work extra hard at points to have their voices heard over the booming volume of the orchestra.

Conducted by John Apollos, the orchestra was — as with the actors — technically superior. Though, whether due to the acoustics of Washington Hall or simply due to the number of musicians, the singers were many times completely drowned out by the instrumentalists.

During the first act, the orchestra was so dominating that details or lines were often lost to the audience, thereby causing pixel discrepancies. While no one can be blamed for this distraction, it nonetheless detracted from the overall effectiveness of the evening.

Volumes notwithstanding, the performers involved rose above any technical problems the production may have had. In prior years, the Notre Dame Opera has proven that the musical talent on campus is extremely high. After tossing the witch into her oven, Hansel and Gretel happily sing "Oh, the witch is toast," providing the audience with a giggle in what can be — at times — a serious opera.

Yet, as with the title characters, all does have a happy ending and the crowd at Washington Hall this weekend definitely walked out the door with a sweet taste in their collective mouth.

Performers in Notre Dame's Opera "Hansel and Gretel" captivated the audience, drawing it into the carefree, comedic atmosphere in which the play is set.
NBA Playoffs

Bench play leads Knicks to 99-91 win over Lakers

Associated Press

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Shaquille O'Neal lost a shooting touch, Kobe Bryant was slowed by foul trouble. And still the Los Angeles Lakers had enough left to beat the Kings.

The Kings' hopes of their first playoff win in 18 years were doused Tuesday night at Sacramento.

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WOMEN'S LACROSSE

Notre Dame falls to Rutgers, ends losing season 5-10

By SARAH RYKOWSKI
Sports Writer

Notre Dame's women's lacrosse team ended its 2000 season in a loss, 14-7. But despite strong efforts, the team walked away wishing it could have ended on a positive note.

"Going out and playing even though we had a losing record show our team's dedication," starting goalkeeper Tara Durkin said. "We played hard the whole game — it would have been nice to come out with a win."

The Irish finish the season with a 5-10 record while the Scarlet Knights complete their season 7-8.

The Irish matched the Scarlet Knights in all areas of their game, except for two five point scoring runs in each half. The first put the Knights up 5-1, and the second bumped them to a 13-5 advantage in the second portion of the game.

"There's always mistakes at both ends," Durkin said. "It could have gone either way."

Thanks to an early goal by Irish attacker Kathryn Perrella, the Irish jumped to a 1-0 lead in the first three minutes of the game. Rutgers, not willing to concede the game then and there, responded with their first set of five consecutive unanswered goals to take the lead by four with 11 minutes to play. Three minutes later, freshman Anne Riley scored off a free position shot to put the Irish back in the game.

Last O'Shaughnessy tallied on for the Irish, helping Notre Dame close in on Rutgers' lead with 7-3. Irish attacker Kathryn Perrella, matched the Scarlet Knights up 5-8.

"One of the biggest things was being able to move (past) the goals," Durkin said. "We were shooting straight to her stick. The shots weren't going in."

After an early goal for the Scarlet Knights increased their lead to 8-3, the Irish defense held firm for 10 solid minutes, scoring two goals in the meantime to chip away at Rutgers' lead. Riley got another free position shot, and defenseman Tina Fedarcyk connected to help the Irish up to 5-8.

But a scoring drought led the Irish to a point deficit, while the Scarlet Knights went on their second scoring drive of the afternoon to lead 13-5.

Sophomore attacker Maureen Whilaker brought the offense to life with a tally in the 1 minute mark.

Freshman midfielder Danielle Sweeney also connected for the Irish with 30 seconds to play, but the Scarlet Knights held on, cementing their victory with a goal in the final seconds to end the game at 14-7.

"It could have been anyone's game," Durkin said.

Rutgers' offense was led by All-American senior Liz Charnes, who scored 5 goals in Saturday's game, including two in the first half.

"She was getting in some shots right around the crease, which have a 50 percent chance of going in," Durkin said of Chambers. "She's a very good player, with very good placement."

The Irish begin Big East play in the 2001 season, where they will again face the Rutgers, along with Syracuse, Boston College, Connecticut, Georgetown, and Virginia Tech.

"We're definitely able to perform against Big East teams next year," Durkin said. "We didn't have many wins this season, but we built a foundation."

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WOMEN'S ROWING

Three boats place at Georgetown

Special to The Observer


The Georgetown Invitational featured all of the Big East schools that sponsor rowing, including Georgetown, Syracuse, Rutgers, Connecticut, Miami, West Virginia, and Villanova.

The First Novice Eight crew of Erika Krennicki, Kaitlyn Feely, Kerri Murphy, Maureen Carr, Emily Deyo, Allison Bart, Joslyn Moreau and Leah Ashe placed third in its race behind Syracuse and Miami.

The Second Varsity Eight crew of Erin Krennicki, Megan Feely, Kerri Murphy, Maureen Carr, Emily Deyo, Allison Bart, Joslyn Moreau and Leah Ashe placed third in its race behind Syracuse and Miami.

"Overall, it was a pretty good showing to put four boats in the finals against established programs," head coach Martin Stone said.

"We are an up-and-coming program and are progressing nicely. I was proud of our Second Novice Eight crew as they won by over 9 seconds. They pulled really hard and raced well."

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WOMEN'S SOFTBALL

Belles manage one win in two weekend doubleheaders

By KATIE McVOY
Assistant Sports Editor

The Softbelles had a less than satisfying home stand this weekend, finishing 3-1 at the SMC Classic. Saint Mary's faced off against Alma College on Friday, dropping both games by large run margins. The Belles lost the first game 11-2, then the second 11-3.

Sophomore Kristin Martin pitched the first game of the doubleheader, and junior Anne Senger pitched the second game. Martin came into to relieve Senger near the end of the second game.

"We weren't hitting very well," senior Elise Hall said. "But the loss was really due to the fact that we were playing against the No. 1 team in the conference. It really wasn't anything we did."

Alma came into this weekend's tournament with a 13-1 MIAA league record and a 34-6 overall record, leading the MIAA. The Belles fared slightly better in the fair weather on Sunday, facing University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh.

Saint Mary's looked weak in the first game, dropping it 8-3, despite a good pitching effort by Martin. Not wanting to leave the weekend on a bad note, however, they came back to win the second game of the double header 9-3.

"Our bats really came alive [Sunday] during the second game," Hall said. "We looked a lot better."

Rachel Deer and Melissa Hayes both hit well for the Belles. Hayes went 6-7 on the weekend, boosting Saint Mary's offense.

Sunday marked the last home game for the senior Belles on the softball team. "It was a very sentimental day for the seniors," Hall said. "And it was good to end on a win."

Saint Mary's plays its last regular season game on Tuesday at Grand Valley State University at 4:00. The Belles will not attend the MIAA league championships because they did not finish as one of the top four teams in the league.

Batting for Saint Mary's suffered in the first three games of two doubleheaders, but the women were able to avoid a winless weekend when they defeated University of Wisconsin-Oshkosh 9-3 Sunday.
This is your last chance. **THERE ARE 6 SPOTS OPEN!!!** There will be a final informational meeting Monday, May 1 at 5 PM in the Montgomery Room of LaFortune. If you are 6’2” or taller, **THERE IS NO REASON NOT TO TRYOUT!!!** This year is the biggest opportunity to make the Guard. 6 out of 10 members are graduating. Tryouts are a blast and start the week before class begins. Come to the meeting and find out more about being part of this great tradition. If you miss the meeting or have any questions, e-mail; brush@nd.edu.
Blue and Gold Game Scoring System

**Offense**

- **6 for a TD**
- **3 for a field goal**
- **2 for a two-point**
- **1 for each first down**
- **1 for each play over 20 yards**
- **1 for each PAT**

**Defense**

- **12 for interception for a TD**
- **5 for interception**
- **5 for recovered fumble**
- **3 for a field goal block**
- **3 for stopping a fourth and one behind the 50**
- **2 for stopping a fourth and one inside the 50**
- **1 for stopping a two-point play**
- **1 for a sack**
- **1 for forcing a punt**
- **1 for tackle behind line of scrimmage**
- **1 for blocking a PAT**

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**Blue and Gold Game**

football in his hands more."

One area where the Irish coaching staff decided not to concentrate on was the running game. The Irish’s top three tailbacks, Tony Fisher, Julius Jones and Terrance Howard, had a combined 12 carries for 59 yards.

Before the game the three running backs — Fisher, Jones and Howard — flipped a coin to determine who would start. Fisher won and thus began the game.

"We have three tailbacks right now that are equals in my opinion," Davie said. "It looks like now we have four running backs but those three [Fisher, Jones and Howard] are still ahead of Chris Yura." After David Miller connected on a 26-yard attempt, the offense led 3-0. But the defense reeled off 24 straight points, including a 39-yard interception return for a touchdown by Anthony Denman. The senior linebacker earned the defensive MVP honors for his play.

"It was a little concerned early," Davie said, reflecting on the 24 points by the defense. "The way things go around here I didn’t want to explain all summer at all these Notre Dame clubs why the final score of the spring game was 98-62 or something like that."

Luckily for Davie, the offense started to settle down and control the ball. Though they failed to score a touchdown, the Irish offense cut the deficit to 29-24 in the third quarter.

As the players concentrate on studying for finals and getting ready for the summer, the memories of last season still remain. And those memories won’t go away until the Irish win some games.

"We’ve been through so much," Battle said. "But we have the athletes, we have the ability. Now it’s having that team chemistry and doing what’s right."
Less prominent players impress Davie in scrimmage

By KERRY GALLAGHER
.Observer

Junior walk-on Timmy O'Neill led the offensive team in rushing with three carries for 22 yards.

Coaches avoid media with excuses, unwarranted pride

He walked from the Irish locker room, through a door leading to the adjacent media room, elevating a bottle of water in his right hand as he made his way up to the front of the room, his head angled towards the floor.

When he advanced to the table, he placed the bottle on the ground and stood in front of a few reporters.

In full view were about 30 people — sports information assistants, some coaches and various others, including members of the media.

Moments earlier, the defense had beaten the offense 39-31 in the annual Blue-Gold scrimmage. Now it was time for head coach Bob Davie to address the media.

The dreaded media. It was that time of the spring, with everyone covering the Irish football team. On occasion, Davie would use occasion, Davie chose not to talk to the media after practice.

Now it had been that before the spring began, reportbreaks, Notre Dame fans and David Davie had decided after each practice that Davie would talk to media in most of the front of the locker room.

Touchdown Jesus, on his way into the locker room, was this done to please Davie, so he wouldn’t have to spend a half hour rebashing the news of the day for lack of it one at a time to a dozen different people.

All we wanted to know was some player like how the players were performing, or an injury update. It wasn’t like Bob Woodward and Carl Bernstein of the Washington Post, who broke the Watergate story, or President Nixon about the scandal.

A year ago, there were two scrimmages prior to the Blue-Gold game open to the media. But after a 5-7 season, the first time in 25 years, in 22 years, with only six discipline suspensions, a likely-tied Davie refused to open up any practices, save for two when the Irish hosted a high school coaching clinic.

And when he did open practice, the Irish ran about 10 percent of their offensive backfield plays. Even on Saturday, according to Arzzo Battle, the Irish playbook consisted of eight inside runs, five drop-back passes and six play-action passes. No option, no quadratic draws, no clear clue on how the Irish will perform in the fall.

Maybe Davie has exhausted all other excuses, but this week’s walk-ons, the injuries, the difficulties of the offense. Davie has been as a golfer who shoots an 82, then says that he hadn’t missed four fairways all season and shot a 66. He’s the same guy who showed 75.

The excuses have become legendary.

Maybe you now want the public to believe the media leaked information to opposing teams, that’s a big difference, leading to the demise of the 1999 Irish.

Maybe that explains why when I questioned Gary Godsey about what the offense was working on in practice, he said he wasn’t allowed to share that information. How would the secondary practice and the spring, before the Irish offense ever came?

Or maybe the media excuse explains why Davie was upset that the second-year walk-on defensive back would cover him this fall. But when a player sells his soul, the media are never more apparent.

That’s not to say that Notre Dame football is terrible. Far from it. There are plenty of things to take pride in: the commitment of the coach, the off-field contributions of the players to the local community, the high graduation rate. These are things that matter a lot more in the long run than whether or not the Irish beat USC in 2001.

But when a player sells his complimentary tickets or another go gets suspended for numerous violations of the rules, we’re supposed to not print that because he’s a future student? Of course not.

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Drake Relays, Purdue Invite prepare runners for Big East

By BRIAN BURKE
Sports Writer

With the Big East Championships one week away, the Notre Dame men’s and women’s track and field teams took a small group to Des Moines, IA for one final tune-up at the prestigious Drake Relays. While the Irish faced some stiff competition, several athletes turned in performances that can provide encouragement going into the conference meet.

"Collectively we ran pretty well. Individually we all might have been able to run better but there were no bad races," sophomore Luke Watson said. "We were pleased with the performance. It was just a big race and a fast race. Stanford was in our race and a bunch of other tough teams."

Senior Tim Kober’s NCAA qualifying 400 meter time of one minute, 48 seconds was the highlight of the Drake meet for Notre Dame. Along with Kober, another solid race came from the men’s 4x1600 meter relay team of Watson, Pat Conway, Sean Zanderson, and John Dudley which placed eighth with a time of 16:45.17.

"The 4x1600 meter relay, the time they ran was three seconds faster than the winner from last year. There was great competition in that race," Piane said.

Thompson’s discus throw of 175 feet four inches was good for 10th at Drake. He also threw the hammer 153 feet, nine inches.

Meanwhile Engdahl’s high jump of 5-8 3/4 gave her the highest finish for the women, a tie for fourth. Besides

Volmer pole vaulting her PR of 13-5 1/4, she also triple jumped 36-1 1/2.

One group that did struggle was the men’s 4x100 meter relay squad of Chris Cochrane, Travis Davy, Tom Gilbert, and Marshaun West. They finished third in their heat running the race in 41.06 seconds.

"Our exchanges didn’t go well," said Davy. "We ran well, but the passes hurt us.

"The 4x100 exchanges were a bit suspect," Piane said.

While Piane thought the team overall did well, he also realized many of the top athletes were using this week to rest for the Big East Championships.

"The week off is definitely going to help. Guys like Ryan Shay who are running in a 10,000, the last thing they needed would have been a hard mile or 5,000 this week."

In addition to the group traveling to Drake, the Irish also sent a team to West Lafayette for the Purdue Invitational.

In that meet a pair of women’s distance runner took the top spot in their respective races. Chrissy Kuentz finished first in the 3,000 meters with a time of 10:16.67, while Anne McGrath ran the 10,000 meters in 38:28.79. Ana Morales finished second in the 800 meters with a time of 2:13.68, and Kymia Love placed third in the 400 meters, clocking in at 57.22.

For the men, Terry Wray ran a good 800 meter race, finishing second with a time of 2:22.42. Mike Grewe and Ryan Maxwell finished first and second in the 5,000 with times of 14:54.48 and 15:00.17 respectively.

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Baseball
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another gem in the opener. In collecting his ninth consecutive win in the 8-3 Irish victory, Heilman recorded nine strikeouts in seven innings for his conference-leading seventh complete game.

"It was another typical performance for Heilman," said Mainieri. "Meyer led the offense in the opener, collecting a triple and two doubles. "This weekend was great. I was really seeing the ball well," said a modest Meyer.

In the second game, junior righthander Scott Clevy pitched well, but ended up with a no-decision as the Red Storm rallied late to win the game 4-3. Junior shortstop Ace Porzel lead off the game with a home run, his fourth of the season. Also contributing in game one were Velker and sophomore third baseman Andrew Bushey, who each had three hits.

With the Irish up 2-1 in the top of the eighth inning, Clevy loaded the bases with one out before Mainieri brought in Corbin to close the game. After giving up a game-tying groundout, Corbin allowed a single by Eric Potts which put the Red Storm up 3-2.

In the bottom of the eighth, the Irish regained the lead on a lead-off triple by Meyer, followed by a double by center-fielder Steve Stanley and a single by Bushey. Corbin, however, could not hold the 4-3 lead in the bottom of the ninth, as the previously unbeaten closer gave up three runs. The Irish were not able to muster a comeback in the bottom frame, and fell by the final of 6-4.

"That game was a heart-breaker," said Mainieri, "It was seemingly in our hand, then we lost it." The Irish host Northwestern at 6:05 p.m. on Tuesday.

Junior All-American Aaron Heilman pitched the third game in the Notre Dame vs. St. John's series, taking his ninth consecutive victory with nine strikeouts in seven innings. Leading the conference in number of complete games, Heilman pitched his seventh on Saturday.

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**Happy 21st Birthday**

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She has stars in her eyes.
Kent takes fifth, Irish finish third in Big East tourney

By KEVIN BERCHEOU  Sports Writer

It was a tale of two seasons for Notre Dame men’s golf team. After a sterling autumn that saw them surge into the nation’s top 25, the Irish experienced a significant fall in confidence in the early spring and could never recapture their early season success.

After averaging a paltry 292 strokes per round in the fall, the Irish stumbled in spring play and saw their aggregate stroke total soar to 303 strokes per round.

“We just struggled in the spring,” senior star Alex Kent admitted. “We just [seemed] to lose confidence.”

Coach George Thomas agreed. “We seemed to lose our momentum somewhere along the line,” he said.

Nowhere was that lost momentum more apparent than at the Big East Championships, held on campus at the Warren Golf Course this past weekend. Entering tournament play as one of the favorites, the Irish disappointed. After finishing the first day in fourth place, the team failed to overcome a 14-stroke deficit to eventual champion Seton Hall. Rutgers established a Warren Golf Course record by finishing with a two-day total of 290. Everyone tried really hard out there,” Kent said. “We put a lot of hard work and practice into this, we just lost our focus and didn’t execute well.”

“I was disappointed with the team’s effort as a whole,” Thomas said. “I really expected much more.”

The lone bright spot for the Irish was Kent, who shot a remarkable 77 in the first round, matching the Pirates of Seton Hall for the tournament’s first day. After a total of 149 and 154 respectively, other action of note Rutgers sophomore Daniel Lee sunk three bunker shots and carded seven birdies on the final day en route to a final round 66 that broke the Big East championship record by three shots and established a Warren Gold Course record.

All in all, it was a tough end to a tough second half of the season for the Notre Dame golf team. A deep talent pool has the Irish hoping to dive into next year’s with hopes of renewed success.

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TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Don't let others take advantage of you today. Lovers are likely if you trust others with your possessions or if you lend friends money. Offer advice and mental support instead. Number 5: The Shining, 1929, 44

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CANCER (June 21-July 22): Your interest in changing your profession­al direction may lead you back to school. Your creative ability must be developed and incorporated into your efforts. Number 5: The Shining, 1929, 44

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You'll take financial hurdles that will put you in a tight spot. You need to cut back, not spend more debts. Your generosity with family and friends

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LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Things will be more hectic than you like at work today. Hang in there, you will shine if you can hold it all together. Be sure to reevaluate in the evening. Number 5: The Shining, 1929, 44

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Be prepared to offer advice and warning. Ego boost today will be fun for the whole family. Camping, swimming and picnics should be considered. Number 5: The Shining, 1929, 44

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CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 20): Take lead of the advice given by friends, but make your own mind when it comes down to it. You may want to get a new piece of clothing or furniture. Number 5: The Shining, 1929, 44

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PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20): You and your mate will have problems if you haven't been completely honest with one another. Make changes or the situation will get worse. Back up and see if you can salvage the union. (Need advice? Check out Eugenia's Web sites at astroadvice.com, eugenialast.com, astro.com)

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FOOTBALL

Team unity pushes Irish through Blue and Gold game

By TIM CASEY
Assistant Sports Editor

Fresh off a 5-7 campaign which included a few embarrassing off the field incidents, the Notre Dame coaches and players came together this off-season and formed a leadership committee.

This leadership committee included approximately 15 players who were responsible for creating team unity and more open communication among coaches and players.

"It's not to separate us from the rest of the team," said Ariz Battle, a committee member. "It just gives the coaches a chance to hear what the players feel and know what's going on."

"There were some incidents that could have been prevented last year," Battle said. "We've tried to not have that distract us going into the season. We've gone to look out for each other. Every little thing you do goes to the media and gets out in the public so we try to keep things clean, do what's right and get rid of the distractions."

On Saturday, 14,135 fans had a chance to see the 2003 Irish for the first time since November in the annual Blue-Gold game.

Was this game the result of the new emphasis on team cohesion? It's tough to tell.

Unlike in years past, the players feel and know what's going on in the dugout. Every little thing that goes on is our business. We're all in this together, battle for each other. Every little thing we do goes to the media and gets out in the public so we try to keep things clean, do what's right and get rid of the distractions."

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BASEBALL

Strong pitching helps Notre Dame take St. John's in series

By NOAH AMSTADTER
Sports Writer

In a series that featured some of the best pitching in the Big East, outstanding crowds and a walk-off home run, the Irish baseball team took two of three games over the Red Storm of St. John's this weekend.

In what was seemingly a mismatch on the mound Sunday afternoon, freshman J.P. Gagne took the mound against St. John's pitcher Kevin McGeery, who brought a 1-0 record, is rated as one of the top collegiate pitchers in the country.

Instead of giving in, Gagne held his own, giving up three runs in six-plus innings. Meanwhile, the Irish offense clicked against McGeery, scoring seven runs in seven innings.

At the plate, cracking out eight hits, Notre Dame opened up the game in the seventh inning. After the Red Storm scored three runs off Gagne and sophomore reliever Matt Buchmeier, the Irish scored four runs to take a 7-5 lead.

Three of those runs came on a tremendous home run by freshman right-fielder Brian Stavisky.

In the eighth inning, each team scored one run. The Irish scored on a homer by designator hitter Ken Meyer, who had a tremendous weekend at the plate, cracking out eight hits, six of which went for extra bases. Unfortunately, the Irish could not hold the two-run lead in the top of the ninth. Buchmeier gave up two hits to begin the inning before head coach Paul Mainieri brought in senior closer John Corbin to try to stop the bleeding. Corbin kept the St. John's hitters from hitting the ball hard, but still allowed two runners to score on ground balls as the Red Storm tied the game at eight runs apiece.

The Irish provided the most exciting moment in the eventful game in the bottom of the ninth inning as senior first baseman Jeff Felker hit a ball over the fence to win the game by a score of 9-8.

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