Additional London program to begin in summer of 2001

By KATE NAGENCAST
News Writer

For those students torn between studying abroad and sacrificing opportunities like football season or tied up with major requirements or extracurricular activities, the London Program has a new solution. Beginning in the summer of 2001, the Summer London Program will welcome approximately 60 students to Notre Dame's campus on Trafalgar Square for four-and-a-half weeks of intensive study and travel. The concept for this program began 14 months ago when provost Nathan Hatch asked a small committee of various University representatives to evaluate the efficient use of the Suffolk Street academic complex in London. The committee discovered over a month of idle time between the end of spring exams and the arrival of law and engineering students in the summer. Thomas Swartz, an economics professor who has spent approximately 18 months in London, was a member of that exploratory committee and now acts as the director of the Summer London Program. "It's a magnificent building, a fabulous piece of property and immensely expensive, so it stood to reason why one would want to waste the facility," Swartz said. "And the summer is a wonderful time to have a program because one could participate in that program and still get home in time to do any number of things, like work or volunteer service." Formed last November, a subcommittee consisting of Swartz, Stacy Gutting, director of the current London Program and Jim Powell, associate dean of graduate school and director of Summer Session developed a report suggesting a "highly intensive" four and one-half week program that would provide its participants with six academic credits and a "mini" London experience. Utilizing the same facilities and the same British faculty that the current London Program does, the Summer London Program differs only in its timeframe. The session lasts from May 17 through June 17. Academic time is divided into a pair of seven-day segments separated by an intensive, five-day intersession travel period. Students will want to travel so rather than than have their travel experience be an hour or two, "We want to take that energy for travel and turn it into an academic experience." The program is currently open to students who will be

Three rectors bid farewell to dorms

By ERIN LaRUFFA
Assistant News Editor

Over 11 years ago, when a Notre Dame administrator asked Father Stephen Newton to become a rector, Newton reluctantly accepted. However, by October of his first year as the Sorin rector, Newton realized he loved his new role. Newton, along with Howard Hall rector Sue Hinderlider and Zahm Hall rector Father James Lies, will depart from Notre Dame at the end of this year. Lies will leave Notre Dame to go to the University of Minnesota to enter a Ph.D. program in moral psychology. He has been Zahm's rector for three years while he has worked on a master's degree. Lies also directed retreats for Campus Ministry. Previously, he was rector of the London program for three years and also worked in the Office of Residence Life. Also after three years working on a master's degree at Notre Dame, Hinderlider will move to New Jersey for a year of service work through Claretian Volunteers, a service group run by priests. Though Hinderlider is unsure of what her work will entail, the organization focuses on teaching, hospital work, immigration and parish work.

"I'm just kind of letting the spirit be the guide," she said. Newton is leaving Notre Dame to go to Africa to set up an addiction resource center through the
INSIDE COLUMN

Bombs away
My angry pen has one more column left in it before I set out for a world less tolerant of my ranting. Before I leave, I want to impart know­ledge - and highlight perspectives gained during my four years under the watchful eye of Our Lady, not of it outside the classroom.

First front, foremost, those of you who refuse to suppose ROTF have taught me that all the piety in the world cannot prevent blatant ignorance from poisoning well-intend­ed minds, most of which belongs on the pages of an SDN pamphlet.

You’ve also taught me by example that the same left­wing slack­a­dar­snaps who oppose Ex Corde and praise academic freedom will gladly call for more Control of ROTC instruction.

Student Affairs, you gave me a financial les­son in your handling of my failed e­mail prank, one I was too stupid to execute in the first place.

When I think of the date rapists I’ll graduate alongside, it warms my heart to know you’ll keep constant vigilance against my face­lessly lobbying for trans­gendered sea anemones, while I keep counting down the time until they go and do their merry way. Perhaps I should have tried out for a sport.

One thought I’ve heard echoed this unequal response to rape when it set out to drag us up the "saccharine," while the rape case generated nowhere near the same amount of indignation (I know from viewing the let­ters both published and unpub­lished). The precedent you have set for future generations is clear: have your way with our women, just don’t jeopardize our education.

Go Irish.

Pon­Pon­Squad, you proved that eye candy can get annoying, which I once considered impossible. Sometimes it’s just better to be left out.

Dustin Ferrell
Assistant Viewpoint Editor

OUTSIDE THE DOME

U. of Illinois sees growth in advertising major

KENT, Ohio

Ten of the Kent State University students arrested last week on drug trafficking charges were perma­nently banned from campus, and three received one­year suspensions Wednesday through the Office of Judicial Affairs. The three remaining students were granted continuances at their attorneys’ request and will be tried at a later date, said Cornel Morrison, as­so­ciate vice president of Student Support Services. The hearings were closed to the public, and university poli­cy does not allow the names of the students to be revealed. The students suspended will not be allowed to re­enroll until the summer session of 2001. The continuances granted will allow the remaining students to delay their hearings until they feel their cases can be fairly represented. Morrison said Nancy Scott, vice president of enrollment management, said she was saddened by the news and hopes the students who were disciplined can use this as a learning expe­rience. "I think the students certainly received due process, and students have to realize there are conse­quences for their actions," Scott said.

SIU activist throws pie at governor

CARBONDALE, Ill.

A Southern Illinois University student activist attacked Governor George Ryan by slamming a pie in his face Monday, following a two­and­a­half hour forum where Ryan insulted his political achievements for Southern Illinois. While surrounded by members of the media, Ryan was splattered with a chocolate vanilla cream pie, thrown by sophomore Dawn Roberts, who was bent on raising public awareness about what she called "the arrogance and corruption. Roberts, a student senator and coordina­tor for activist group Students in Excellence for Education, was arrested immediately following the incident inside the Carbondale Civic Center. "I wanted to raise awareness about all of the corruption going on in [Ryan’s] office," said Roberts while being led away by Ryan’s security. "SIU Board of Trustees chairman A.D. Van Meter has given at least $10,000 to the Governor’s Office." Ryan later said he would sign a complaint to ensure Roberts was prosecuted. Carbondale police would not release information per­taining to what Roberts would be charged with.

TODAY’S STAFF

News
Erin LaRuffa

Hi, there. I’m your editor, Erin LaRuffa, and on this edition of The Observer there will be nothing but men and me.

This column is not meant to dissuade you from interesting the men, but I hope to shed some light on how we are doing the same things differently.

LaRuffa

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This Week in Michiana

Wednesday

• Scoring: "Is anxiety stressing you out?"
9:30 - 11 a.m., 1 - 3 p.m., 4:30 - 6:30 p.m., Madison Center and Hospital

• Theater: "Plain and Fancy, Bored Barn"
2 p.m., Nappanee

Thursday

• Theater: "A Pick of My Heart by South Bend Civic Theatre, 8 p.m.

France, South Bend

• Art: "2000 Tim Kellogg Exhibits," Studebaker National Museum, South Bend

Friday

• Music: "Evie Burton in Concert with Lori Sigety, 7:09 p.m., Peaberry Cafe, South Bend

Saturday

• Events: "The Way of the Samurai," Vickers Theatre, 5:30 and 8:15 p.m.

• Festivals: "Suggs Festival, 10 a.m. - 7 p.m., Suggs Museum, Vandalia

Champaign, Ill.

There are more advertising majors at the University of Illinois this year than ever before. The rapidly growing program seems to be following the trend of enrollment in undergraduate advertising and public relations programs nationwide, according to a study published in the 2000 edition of "Where Shall I Go To Study Advertising & Public Relations?"

The study, which includes data from 201 colleges, showed the number of graduates in advertising and public relations was 12,439 in 1999, 3.1 percent greater than the previous year. Total enrollment was 40,779, up 2.8 percent from the previous year.

Michigan State University and the University of Texas have the biggest programs in the country now, but the university’s program is catching up. Enrollment in the advertising program increases just less than 20 percent each year, according to Linda Scott, a university advertising professor.

“There’s more interest on the part of students because of interac­tive media," said Scott. “Interactive media gives the field more glam­our.”

Barlow Levdof, lecturer and digi­tal projects director at the universi­ty, had a different perspective on the growing interest in advertising. ‘‘It’s fun," he said. “And kids want to do something that’s fun.”

Scott said she thinks the growing enrollment started years ago.

“For the past 10 years that I’ve been involved in academics and advertising, there’s been an upward trend," she said, “and this is one of the schools where there’s more growth (than at other schools).”

This year, 265 advertising majors are enrolled in the College of Communications, according to Scott. She said there are not as many majors might have to be imple­mented soon because there is not enough classroom space or teach­ing staff members to accommodate undergraduates in advertising.

Local Weather

5 Day South Bend Forecast

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Renner, Nagle pledge openness

By SARAH RYKOWSKI
Sara Mary's News Editor

Though elected under a cloud of controversy and student protest, the Saint Mary's Board of Governors president Crissie Renner and vice president Michelle Nagle have pledged to be open to students' questions and concerns. "We've made a commitment to research and to make changes to fit the students' needs," Nagle said. "I would never say I represent the student body if I hadn't talked with them."

Amendments to the constitution now state that when a tie occurs in a runoff election, as it did this year to spark the controversy, then the Elections Committee will turn to the results of the previous general election to determine the winner.

Nagle helped spearhead the new Constitutional Oversight Committee, which has dedicated itself to evaluating the constitution. The committee will then make recommendations for amendments to the constitution at Board meetings.

"It is designed to research other college's constitutions to address the need for change," Nagle said. Nagle is the chairwoman of the new committee. Members of the committee also include one from each of the class boards, one representative from each hall council, the elections commissioner and a member appointed by the off-campus commissioner, not necessarily a member of student government.

"All meetings will be open to the public," Nagle said. "A very important goal of ours is to educate the student body." Nagle said. "We are also trying to get more student feedback." Angle Little, former RGC vice president, originally proposed the idea of such a committee.

The proposed amendments were the Board's immediate response to the controversy. However, more changes will not come until next year, when the Board will be in full swing.

"Next year when we start we have a lot to go over as far as the Constitution," Nagle said.

Renner and Nagle would like to avoid something like the events surrounding both the Saint Mary's and Notre Dame elections, but they have also learned some valuable lessons.

"It made me passionately devoted to the needs of the student body," Renner said.

Renner and Nagle have already begun to encourage student involvement and awareness in student government and activities on campus.

"We want to put out a publication at the beginning of the year with all the names and faces of the commissioners and a bulletin board for student concerns," Nagle said. "A lot of people don't realize they have a representative on the board."

They are also creating the new members of the Board to be more receptive to student concerns and the workings of student government.

"This is the first time that every student government leader has been handed a constitution," Nagle said. "They should be educated on what the constitution says."

The Board is also working on a Website and a newsletter to keep students informed. "Already we've accomplished so much," Renner said.

Date announced for Hesburgh's Congressional Gold Medal ceremonies

University president emeritus Father Theodore Hesburgh will receive Congress' highest honor for contributions to the life of the nation July 13 in Washington, D.C. The Congressional Gold Medal will be given to Hesburgh in afternoon ceremonies in the Capitol rotunda. Hesburgh, 82, stepped down in 1987 after 35 years as president of Notre Dame. His extensive record of public service included 15 Presidential appointments, the most visible of which was to the original U.S. Commission on Civil Rights in 1957. He has made trips to the Middle East as a member of a group set up in the Wye Plantation Treaty to maintain peaceful relations between Israel and the Palestinians, and he was sent on a fact-finding mission on refugees in the wake of the conflict in Kosovo. Legislation authorizing the medal was introduced by Notre Dame alumnus and Indiana Third District Congressman Tim Roemer. University president Father Edward Malloy, who succeeded Hesburgh, will be among the speakers at the ceremony. Glee Club director Don Stowe and three Glee Club graduating seniors — Adam Charmady of Lapeer, Mich., Matthew McDonnell of LaSalle, Ill., and Patrick Quigley of New Orleans — will perform as a quartet as part of the program.

Wild named valedictorian of Class of 2000

Elizabeth Wild, a history and computer applications double major from Washington, Pa., has been named valedictorian of Notre Dame's 2000 graduating class. Wild achieved a 3.975 grade point average in Notre Dame's Honors Program and for her senior thesis composed a 200-page novel — one of four projects formally presented at the final colloquium. Wild is submitting her novel for publication. After graduation, Wild will work in Pittsburgh for McKinsey & Co., a managerial consulting group. She was a reporter for the University's student newspaper, The Observer, for two years and for the student magazine, The Scholar, her sophomore year. She tutored in the University's Early Childhood Education Center.

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to several reasons, according to Murphy, was that students were missing or fighting for positions outside and fighting for positions the next morning,” Murphy said.

Student Activities began the planning process for a new event immediately following Murphy’s announcement. A final reason was safety. According to Murphy, “based on last year’s experience, we decided to shorten the program down from a full night to a couple hours.”

“Although the decision to end the campout was made by the administration, there was also a quiet contingent of students who sought an alternative to sleeping outside and fighting for positions the next morning,” Murphy said.

Planning for the distribution started when it was made apparent that the ticket campout was not going to happen and that there would need to help to formulate a new means of distributing tickets, Murphy said.

A committee was formed with members from the ticket office, Student Affairs, SUB, class council presidents, Student Activities and Notre Dame Security. This group was further divided into two subcommittees — Logistics and Event Planning. The group met weekly until last August and then met again after last year’s event failed.

“After this August’s distribution, and seeing how it did not go as well as hoped, we reconvened in September to just kind of debrief on what had happened,” Murphy said.

The committee determined that since the football stadium concourse forum was expensive and poorly attended, a small one-day event in and around Stepan Center would be more plausible.

“There is going to be one big blow-out bash now, instead of four mini-events where there was one for each class. This way, we can build up support for the football team — as well as all sports — with a pep rally-type event, give out a bunch of free prizes and select the winning ticket number. This is better than trying to coordinate separate events for each class,” Kerr said.

“Based on last year’s experience, we decided to shorten the program down from a full night to a couple hours. The group has decided to combine a pep rally with a carnival and picnic,” Murphy said.

There will be several prizes and free food in addition to various activity booths for students as they wait for tickets to be distributed. Also, there will be mini-pep rallies with a surprise guest, the marching band, cheerleaders and some members of the football team.

“Looking at years past, pep-rallies used to be always held in Stepan — and they were crazy. This could be the best pep rally of the year. Imagine the band at full sound in that little space but with 8,000 screaming students,” Kerr said.

With a student ID and ticket application, students will receive numbers within their peer classes. Like last year, each student will then be able to use six IDs and applications so they will have six tickets seated together.

“One number will be drawn, and that will be the starting point for each class. It is completely random. After the lottery number is drawn, the tickets will be bought in a similar fashion to last year,” Kerr said.

Students were long forgotten, according to Murphy, “trying to accommodate 2,000 students and the new event, it will definitely be better than last year and hopefully even better than the traditional campout.”

“This process will be incredible if it all works out, but the support of the students is critical,” Murphy said.

If 418 is the winning number, then 448, 272, 193 and 378 will also have a separate line accordingly.

“The juniors will also have a separate line starting with number 418, and so will the sophomores and freshmen. There will also be a color coded map of the stadium showing students what seats have been filled as we go along,” Murphy said.

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World News Briefs

Arkansas woman executed for murder of children

VARNER

A former nurse who asked for the death penalty for drugging and suffocating her two children was executed by injection Tuesday in Arkansas' first execution of a woman in more than 156 years. Christina Marie Rigg, 28, was the fifth woman executed in the United States since the Supreme Court in 1976 lifted a ban on capital punishment. She had withdrawn all appeals and chose not to seek clemency from Gov. Mike Huckabee. Rigg told authorities that she intended to use potassium chloride — the same heart-stopping drug used in executions — to kill her children. 5-year-old Justin and 2-year-old Shelby Alexis, in 1997. Initially, Rigg's mother and lawyer said she suffered post-traumatic stress after working as a nurse in the aftermath of the Oklahoma City bombing. The matter never came up at her trial.

Officials detain five in McDonald's bombing

PARIS

Five suspected Breton separatists were detained for questioning by French police Tuesday in connection with last month's fatal bombing of a McDonald's restaurant in Brittany. Police officials said officials said the five included Gild Rebin, spokesman for the Front National Breton, a 200-member separatist group which is believed to be the political arm of the Breton Revolutionary Army. Two men and two women whose identities were not revealed, were also in police custody. The April 19 blast tore through the drive-through windows of a McDonald's fast-food restaurant located near Rostan, a town of 22,000 people 250 miles west of Paris. A 27-year-old employee, Laurence Turbec, was killed.

Metal ball falls from space, lands on farm

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa

For a while, it seemed as if some strange meteorological phenomenon was hitting South Africa. A meteor ball fell from the sky Thursday onto a farm near Worcester, 45 miles east of Cape Town, leaving an 8-inch dent in the ground. On Friday, another ball a yard wide plummeted from the sky onto a farm in Durbanville, just outside Cape Town. "We heard the sound of cracking thunder, yet there were no clouds," said Philippe Swec, a tenant farmer near Worcester. NASA scientists said the balls were garbage from a Delta rocket launched in 1996. The balls had been expected to land somewhere in southern Africa. Nick Johnson, who is in charge of orbital debris for NASA, said space garbage re-enters the Earth's atmosphere almost every day, landing mostly in the ocean.

PHILIPPINES

Rebel clash claims lives of 2 hostages

Associated Press

PALITAO

Rebels said two foreign hostages died in a clash early Wednesday between military troops and Muslim guerrillas holding 21 people in the southern Philippines.

But military officials said they had no knowledge of any fatalities among the hostages kidnapped from a Malaysian resort.

Meanwhile, the same rebel group holding another group of 27 hostages in neighboring Basilan province offered Wednesday to release all their captives if the military halts its pursuit.

The military admitted Tuesday it was unable to find the 27 after overrunning the main Abu Sayaf stronghold. They were among about 50 seized by the rebels from two schools on March 28 for use as human shields. The rebels later released some of the hostages.

Ten soldiers were killed and 54 injured in the assault on the camp, officials said.

Soldiers seeking the release of the 21 hostages and Abu Sayaf rebels clashed several times Tuesday and early Wednesday after about 100 heavily armed guerrillas attempted to escape through an encirclement by the military. At least one soldier was killed and six injured, officials said. Commander Roberto, an Abu Sayaf leader, claimed in a telephone interview with a local ABS-CCN radio network that one hostage had been shot in the encounter and another died of a heart attack.

He apologized to the government and said it was not the rebels' doing.

On Tuesday, the rebels threatened to behead two foreign hostages if the military does not back away from the rebels' hide-out, but a government spokesman said the encirclement of the area would continue.

The 21 hostages were kidnapped April 23 from a Malaysian diving resort and brought to a bamboo hut in Talipao on Jolo, about one hour away by boat.

The hostages have also pleaded to the government to halt military operations in the area.

Protestors block U.S. bomb sites

Associated Press

VIQUEES, Puerto Rico

Protestors have set up a dozen such camps on the bombing range in defiance of the U.S. government.

The protesters, and national and international church councils urged President Clinton to call off any planned raid.

Scores of Puerto Ricans kept a vigil at the gate to the restricted Navy compound on Vieques Island, jeering at soldiers in passing Humvees. With three U.S. warships offshore, the occupiers readied for what they called "the invasion" with goggles, petroleum jelly and vineyard-soaked rags to protect against tear gas.

"They are trying to create panic among the people with this deployment," said protester Robert Rabin and national and international church councils urged President Clinton to call off any planned raid.

The range has been occupied by protesters since a civilian security guard was killed by stray bombs in April 1999, releasing pent-up frustrations throughout Puerto Rico, a U.S. territory of four million people.

The Pentagon insists that its range on the eastern third of Vieques is vital to national security because it provides live-fire combat training before every deployment of Atlantic Fleet carrier battle groups abroad. The range provides a target for practicing precision bombing as well as amphibious assaults.

About 30 protesters at several camps inside the range are blocking a Jan. 31 directive by President Clinton allowing the Navy to resume limited training until Vieques' 9,400 residents decide in a referendum — probably next year — whether the Navy should leave.

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- Day at Warren Dunes (Bridgman, MI)
- Directions will be provided
- South Bend Symphony - Morris Civic Center 8 p.m.
- Day at Cedar Point 10 a.m.-10 p.m.

Monday, May 15th
- Field Day Games (Library Green) 1:00 p.m.
- Ice Cream Social (Library Green) 2:00 p.m.
- Chili’s Fajita ‘Rita Night
- Beacon Bowl College Night
- Heartland

Tuesday, May 16th
- Senior Video (Carroll Auditorium) 11:00 a.m.
- Time Capsule Burial - Following showing of Senior Video
- Heartland - 3:00 p.m.
- Money goes to Kristi Morris Fund
- TGIF Day (Use of complimentary coupons)

Thursday, May 18th
- Alumnae Mass 9:45 a.m.
- Alumnae Brunch (following mass)
- Presentation of Senior Awards
- Discounted Games at Chippewa Bowl w/ SMC ID 11 a.m.-11 p.m.
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Members endorse student play, party conventions trips

By SARAH RYKOWSKI
Saint Mary's News Editor

The Board of Governance voted Tuesday to support sophomore Rene Tem's play "A Day in the Life," which will be performed next week in Carroll Auditorium.

The board made the decision based on Tem's "extraordinary student achievement."

According to Michelle Nagle, Student Academic Council coordinator and BOG vice president, Tem's play is about student life and has been endorsed by Saint Mary's professors.

At the meeting, Nagle also expressed the desire for a new tradition at the College.

"It would be great if students could line the walk from Madeleva to Le Mams to honor seniors (as they walk from) their housing [to the Honors Convocation ceremony]," Nagle said.

Students can congregate at the Le Mams bus stop at 1:30 p.m. Sunday, the Honors Convocation begins at 2 p.m.

Nagle and her fellow political science major, Heather O'Donnell, came to the board to request an enlarged sponsorship. O'Donnell and Nagle will be attending the Republican and Democratic National Conventions, respectively, in the early fall.

"We have to cover all food and living expenses, purchases and plane tickets," Nagle said. "It's an incredibly academic event. It's not fun."

Most colleges give 4 to 6 credits for these two weeks. Saint Mary's has also agreed to sponsor the two students as well.

"It's an incredible opportunity for Saint Mary's to be recognized like this," Nagle said.

When the two return to Saint Mary's, they will hold an information session to relate their experience.

In other news, the Residence Hall Association has made more progress in filling its positions.

"We are trying to wrap up filling our board," said RHA president Mindy Rennaker.

Akmaral Omarova, Student Diversity Board president and founder, also reported that the new board is well on its way to making an impact on the campus.

"It's going well," Omarova said. "We sat down and looked at our goals for next year."

Student Activities Board is sponsoring an event in Le Mams Lobby May 10, called "Stress Busters." Free five- to 10-minute massages will be administered to the students.

BOG President Crissie Renner also announced the developments of a memorial seat in O'Laughlin Auditorium for Kristie Morris, a Saint Mary's senior who died in a car accident during spring break.

"Kristie Morris' seat in O'Laughlin will be put there this summer," Renner said.

The Board also discussed plans for Pride Week next year.

"It's been fabulous so far," Renner said. "Next year it's going to be incredible."

Author Signing
Meet author
Julie Walters
Saturday
May 6th
11:00 am
in the Hammes Notre Dame Bookstore
South Bend Author Julie Walters invites children to bring their Moms for an early Mother's Day Storytime.

Meet author
Steven Varni
Sunday
May 7th
2:30 pm
in the Hammes Notre Dame Bookstore

Author Steven Varni, a graduate of Notre Dame, introduces his highly acclaimed debut novel, The Inland Sea.

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Archaeology program exposes students to field techniques

By MAUREEN SMITHE
Assistant News Editor

When senior Heather Schomann added an anthropolo-
gy minor to her course load last year, she was immediately
drawn to professor Mark Schurr’s summer archaeology
field school.

“I had always been interested
in archaeology, and the program
gave me a good, solid basis in it,”
Schumann said.

Schomann was one of over a
dozen Notre Dame students to
experience archaeology in the
annual six-week summer dig.
Sponsored by the Summer
Session, all students who apply
for the program are accepted,
and openings are still available
for this upcoming summer.

Offering six credit hours at
economical summer rates, the
program stresses the basics of
field archaeology and the
archaeology of North America.
Schurr’s program focuses on
Native American history and cul-
ture.

“This is great for anybody
interested in getting hands-on
experience in archaeology,”
Schurr said. “We start from
ground zero and go from there,
so no one needs any experi-
ence.”

This is exactly what attracted
sophomore Marni Cochrane to
the upcoming summer program.

“The great thing about the ND
field school is that people like
me, who have no prior experi-
ence working in a field school,
can take the opportunity to learn
how to do archaeology,”
Cochrane said.

Five days a week, 8 - 14 stu-
dents will work at two sites
including a 2,000-year-old pre-
historic village occupied by the
ancient Mound Builders and a
Potawatomi Native American vil-
lage. All learning is experien-
tial, said Schurr, with no homework
or examina-
tions.

“This year we will work at a
prehistoric site along the
shores of a
drained lake
for the first
half,” Schurr
said. “The last
half we will
spend at the
Pokagon
Village site
where a
Potawatomi
tribe lived dur-
ing the 1830s. The tribe invited
Father Badin to the village to
minister to them, and there he
built a Roman Catholic chapel
- we are going to try to find the
chapel’s remains.”

Using historical records, such
as a surveyor’s map from the
1830s and letters of Badin
(whose namesake is a women’s
dorm on cam-
pus today), the
group will use
test excavation
Techniques to
search for the
exact location
of the chapel.

“I’m hoping to verify that
the chapel was
there,” Schurr
said.

In addition, the
field school
will use unique
testing meth-
ods.

“We are the only undergradu-
ate program in the United States
to teach remote sensing tech-
niques,” Schurr said.

“I expect to learn the neces-
Sary excavation techniques that
will help me in my future field
schools,” she said.

The program will also include
the guidance of John Warren,
one of the 2,500 Pokagon
Potawatomi in this area. He
will teach participants about Native
American culture and civiliza-
tion.

“A lot of Native
Americans feel that
archaeologists are just
grace robbers, but
hopefully we can use both groups to learn
more about this area’s history,”
Schurr said.

Noting the Potawatomi are
undergoing a ‘renaissance’ to
rediscover their past, and it is
exciting to be a part of that,
Schummann said that last year’s
interaction with the tribe was a
highlight of the summer.

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Air Force ROTC Cadets

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to the class of 2000

the road rise to meet you
the wind always be at your back
the sun shine warmly upon your face
the rain fall softly on your fields,
and until we meet again, friends,
may God hold you in the hollow
of his hand.

Best wishes for success in the future

the student union
Pangborn Hall wins HPC’s dorm of the year contest

By ELLEN FITZGERALD
News Writer

"Skid row;" "the ghetto of south quad;" "aesthetically challenged;" "the smelly dorm." These are monikers often given to Pangborn Hall, but now "1999-2000 Hall of the Year" can be added to this list. This was the first time Pangborn has received this honor since its first year as a female residence in 1992-1993. At the annual Leadership Banquet on April 11, the Hall Presidents Council named Pangborn hall of the year.

Sorin received best male hall, Cavanaugh best female hall and Knott most improved hall.

Pangborn's w inning application, made by dorm presidents Casey McCluskey and Jen Kosteva, was an elaborate book let describing the more than 80 programs Pangborn was a part of this year. Criteria for the award include programming for both the hall and the greater campus community, participation in events and the creativity of the application.

The road to hall of the year began last year when McCluskey and Kosteva were elected. Their main goal, they said was to boost spirit and identity in Pangborn and become hall of the year. When the pair was elected they met with the hall staff and challenged them to win the title. They then met with the rest of the hall.

"To get dorm of the year we had to involve the whole dorm," McCluskey said. They made a plan for each of the five sections to host three programs a semester, one spiritual, one service and one educational. This would have given Pangborn 30 at the close of the year, but instead they ended with more than 80. Because of all this programing, Pangborn was constantly recognized in the monthly awards given out by HPC.

"That really impressed them (HPC) that we did so many programs in so many different areas," McCluskey said. Also, HPC was impressed by the way Pangborn kept up old traditions of the Spring Fling and Phox Phire while also beginning new ones, the Pangborn Putt-Putt and Black History Month.

According to McCluskey, Pangborn had to work harder than another dorm to get noticed because of their lack of reputation.

"They don't even make fun of us at the Keenan Review," she said. Pangborn rector Heather Rakoczy said that the small women's dorm at the end of South Quad deserved the award.

"Why did HPC give us the award, hall of the year? Because of the application and the programming we did. Why are we hall of the year? Because of the 200 women who live here," said Rakoczy.

The male hall of the year award, according to Sorin rector Father Stephen Newton, can be attributed to the amount and diversity of the programming planned by this past year's presidents, Larry Burchett and John Tagget. Some of Sorin's best programs this year included the annual talent show and the fall break service project. Newton said. This fall break, 40 Sorin men traveled to Philadelphia and Camden, N.J., to renovate houses for the needy.

Sorin also reached the inter­hall football championship. The dorm has a very strong spiritual community, too. "Our liturgies are always overflowing," Newton said. Other events that Sorin hosted this year were monthly dorm dinners, football game barbecues, two banquets, a final exams coffee shop located in Newton's room and some of the most highly attended dances.

"It's a real honor to live in a dorm where everyone is so close and considered a family," said Jeanette McKeen, president of Cavanaugh, female dorm of the year. The dorm hosted a wide range of events, both for its residents and the wider community, all year. When asked about this year's award, McKeen was quick to say, "It's a real honor to live in a dorm where everyone is so close and considered a family."
Concern for the longevity of Social Security occupies much of current Congressional debate. "At the heart of this debate are demographic issues," said William Halter, the deputy commissioner of Social Security. "Solvency is the most critical issue."Several demographic trends threaten Social Security's solvency. Halter: Social Security aids Americans

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Martinez becomes first Hispanic to head Miami police

Associated Press
MIAMI

A Cuban immigrant was sworn in as Miami’s new police chief Tuesday after his predecessor quit in the political furor over the Elian Gonzalez case.

Raul Martinez, 50, spent 24 years as a police officer. He becomes the first Hispanic to lead the 1,100-member department.

"I’m very thankful for this appointment, and I pledge to this community that I’m the chief of police for the entire community," Martinez said.

Over the objections of the mayor, he was selected by City Manager Donald Warshaw, who could be on his way out after being fired by the mayor.

Warshaw, who was scheduled to leave office Sunday, won a temporary stay in court late Tuesday barring his firing.

Warshaw could also keep his job if four of the five city commissioners override the mayor in a vote expected Thursday.

Martinez replaces William O’Brien, who resigned following the April 22 federal raid in which Elian was taken from his Miami relatives’ home.

Mayor Joe Carollo was angry that O’Brien hadn’t told him that federal agents were about to seize the 6-year-old.

Carollo demanded Warshaw fire the chief.

Warshaw refused and Carollo fired Warshaw last week, O’Brien then quit, saying Carollo was divisive.

Carollo had said he was against Warshaw hiring a new chief of police.

"This is another one of the key examples of the immoral, unethi­

cal actions that this city manager has been making on his way

out," Carollo said. "Out of desper­

ation, he’s grabbing at any­

thing that he can to keep himself

in power."

Under the city charter, Warshaw’s firing does not take effect for 10 days, which will be

Sunday. The charter also speci­

fies that the city manager name

the police chief, with no require­

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I suppose I now have something in common with the Progressive Student Alliance. An action of the United States government sicknessened me. Not dining hall-turkey or funky-quarter-dog sick, but that hopeless melancholy nausea somewhere in your gut that only occurs when you watch a tragedy unfold. It was, of course, the federal raid to practically kidnapping Elián González two Saturdays ago that brought about this illness. Polls say that most Americans support the raid, which only nauseates me more and proves that most Americans (including several Observer columnists) have no idea what life is like in Cuba. Folks, Cuba is dirt-poor. Electricity and sometimes running water are shut off at 9 p.m. Modern technologies which we take for granted — automobiles, transportation in general, telephones, televisions and electricity — are at 1950s levels or worse. Since Fidel Castro’s revolution, Cuba has regressed in almost every socioeconomic category where they have improved. It has been at a far slower pace than the rest of the systems.

You wouldn’t know that by listening to Castro, though. At international conventions, he has had the vapors to actually state that it is capitalism that causes poverty. The Cuban media is a willing parrot of this propaganda. In a TV interview, he said, “I wish I could see that money that is spent by the United States on media and propaganda against Cuba. total censorship. If I imagine, every day, The Observer’s headlines were how wonderful the Administration is, how fantastic it is that they deny official University status to OU/TeachND or how marvelous particular are. Multiply that by every Cuban media outlet that can miraculously still function and you have the Orwellian nightmare that is Cuba. When Kimmi Martin stated that because Castro was threat to thunderous applause, “apparently not everyone thought he was horrible,” last Wednesday, she was not dealing with the shocking reality: the Cuban people have either been brainwashed into thinking that Castro is their savior or are afraid of the repercussions of having a dissenting opinion. Marx lamented the fact that he has not “heard from a Cuban who presents the other side.” That’s because there’s only one side to Cuba: barbarous and economically backward. The Cuban refugees who populate Little Havana know this truth, escaped from it and are trying to keep Elián from being returned to one of Earth’s closest approximations to hell. Many people who do not understand these harsh realities say that it’s best to return Elián to Cuba on the grounds of parental rights, when “parental rights” don’t exist in Cuba. According to the Cuban Constitution, the boy is technically under the care of the state. This means two things: first, that Juan Miguel González is a non-factor in this argument since he is a non-factor in Cuba. Second, turning the question of Elián control over to Castro and his control of Cuba is not “stupid, stupid, stupid” as Gary Caruso stated on April 11. But actually the only proper frame for the argument. Should Elián stay here or should he return to Castro? Juan Miguel is also channeling Castro’s propaganda. In a TV interview, he read right out of the Castro Propaganda Handbook by saying that the U.S. is worse than Cuba because of things like school shootings, an argument strikingly similar to Clayton Swopes’s fallacious suggestions on April 20. Perhaps both of them can then explain why thousands of Cubans (including Elián’s mother) risk their lives only to reach America.

Whatever your beliefs about where Elián should stay, if you were not sickened by Janet Rajen renging on her promises that there would be no midnight raid to take Elián by informed armed soldiers, you have a problem. If you could look at the now-famous picture of Elián staring down the barrel of an MP-5 submachine gun without being repulsed, I’m quite sure you’re not human.

Under the guise that Elián was being abused (made by a Ash who had never met the boy or that there “tight” have been weapons in the house, the Immigration and Naturalization Service sent in a SWAT team to grab him, then cleared a path by spraying tear gas at several innocent people in the house and at dozens of peaceful protestors outside. Had this happened to Aaron Kiveder and his “nonviolent army” in Washington, it would be brutality in the first degree; apparently it’s as acceptable in Little Havana as it is in Havana. If Elián was returned to Cuba peacefully and you asked him in 15 years what separates Cuba from America, odds are he would give you the flowery, America-as-land-of-milk-and-honey sort of speech that inspired his mom to sacrifice herself to ensure that he lived here. If you ask him in 20 years what inspired the U.S. is the INS kicking down the door and all but kidnapping him, his response would probably be “¿Qué es la diferencia?” — “What’s the difference?”

Mike Marchand is an off-campus junior English major who would like to remind everyone that his 20th birthday is July 13, and that he accepts Visa, MasterCard, American Express and Discover, or, at the very least, e-cards sent to him at Marchand.39md@nd.edu. The views expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.
Letters to the Editor

Give grounds crew more credit

Eight thousand tulips from Denmark. Who plants them? They are the ones wearing first class and plant themselves. Where do all the cigarette butts that students carelessly fling on the ground in front of Madreval Hall disappear to? No, there is not a screwdriver or a hose lying around at night collecting them. And who keeps the grass from growing to resemble an overgrown jungle? No, ducks don’t eat grass, and even if they did, they couldn’t eat that much. The answer to all of these questions lies in the “Green Men” about campus.

If you’re asking yourself who the Grounds Crew are, you’re not alone. We all walk past them, some from riding around campus in gray “ ez-go” carts, which are similar to golf carts, others riding a bike or walking with a basket outside of the Science Building pulling weeds from the flower boxes or planting new bulbs in the Rock Garden. They are the men behind the lawn mowers, shovels, tractors and rakes all over campus. They are what makes this campus what it is, which moves keeping the entire campus in shape and in the condition worthy of an appearance in Home and Gardens magazine.

The men are even color-coded for your convenience: They are the ones wearing green t-shirts and black shorts or pants. John is the one with the long black and silver hair and an ex-literature professor. Lance, father of one, is sporting a new buzz cut in red and yellow, he is always wearing mirrored sunglasses and has a new baby. Dan, a former Marine, will be celebrating his wedding in September. Tim, the newest addition to the group, is the grumpy smoker. They’re very easy to recognize, just look for the right side of their shirts. The shirts read, Saint Mary’s College Grounds Crew. That’s just a nickname.

Many students avoid the Grounds Crew for various reasons, unless they need something done. These things range from tasks such as raking all the leaves around football season, putting together a bookshelf or even changing a flat tire. Some ignore them because they don’t believe in talking to people that perform what they think is a menial labor. A 40-hour work week, in whatever elements Mother Nature whips up, doing nothing but hard muscle-building work, is hardly menial.

Others shy away from the Grounds Crew because they fear that the men might bite. I assure you, they do not. They are good natured fathers and husbands and far from the hornet rung of humanity where some Saint Mary’s students think they belong.

Give these hard-working men some credit! They maintain this entire campus in mint condition, and with all their green thumbs combining, they create green areas and flower boxes all around campus come to life with fragrance and color. They pick up all of our discarded juice boxes and candy wrappers that somehow managed getting in a nearby garbage can.

Next time you see a member of the Grounds Crew, don’t be afraid, don’t be nervous. Give a well deserved pat on your back or at least a hello.

Maria Pilar Paulick
Sepulveda
Lomas Hall
May 2, 2000

Readers react to Pax Christi letter

Contrary to Ben Peters and Kyle Smith seeing the view that ROTC on campus is cause to mourn, it is indeed something for which we at Notre Dame have cause in which to take great pride. As Peters and Smith, I agree with our University, that it will continue to infuse Christian moral sensibilities into all who study here, so that they will carry those values into whatever endeavor they undertake. And, I also pray for our students in ROTC, because for their short-time of time they serve in the military, they carry significant responsibility for maintaining our peace.

But unlike Peters and Smith, I do mourn. I mourn great pride.

Patrick Esper
Freshman
Dillard Hall
May 2, 2000

I would like to commend both Ben Peters and Kyle Smith for exercising their right to voice their opinions that one clearly does not know anything about our nation’s military or about what it takes to defend the very rights and freedoms that even man and woman deserves to enjoy.

You owe your freedoms to the men and women who have gone before you and worn the uniform of our country. It is with great pride and honor that in two weeks the very men and women who will mourn pin on those gold bars and defend their freedoms against the Hitler and the Milosevics. As for not caring about life and property, every military mission is planned to be carried out with a minimum loss of life and destruction of property. So, Mr. Peters and Mr. Smith, tonight when you go to bed, stop and think about you have the freedoms you do. Think about the thousands of men and women who are still awake and protecting you and your families from injustice.

Do not mourn your brothers and sisters,your команд, your ethereal edifice, and your colleagues for performing a service, a service that so many are unwilling to do. Instead, I suggest you thank them. Speak loudly your brothers. Speak them.

Daniel J. Logies
Senior
Ice Camp
May 2, 2000

The annual Peace-In-Review that Notre Dame ROTC performs is a sign of appreciation to Father Malloy and his entire cadet community for hosting our program throughout the years and mapping out the educational training that ROTC students receive.

The ethics and morals taught by ROTC professors in addition to the spiritual environment of Notre Dame is the ultimate training situation to train moral leaders for tomorrow’s military.

ROTC students continue this proud heritage and do develop their own perspective and morality. I have developed my own ideals, duties and ethics consequently, and I will also make that vow to defend you. I will commit my life to serving my nation’s military so that people can set their priorities however they want to. Thank you for providing another opportunity for ROTC students to recommit their belief in what they are doing.

Brian Holinka
Senior
Midshipman
May 2, 2000

There would be no need for war in a perfect world. Unfortunately, we do not live in a perfect world. By any stretch of the imagination. As Christians we must discourage war wherever possible and promote peace.

One of the ways to do just that. They do not glorify violence as Ben Peters, Kyle Smith and a very small minority would have you believe. Such ignorance can be attributed to the comfort zone we live in. We do not have to worry about warring factions killing each other in front of our eyes in our homes. We have fire alarms in our houses instead of gas masks. We do not have to see our children with plastic prevent exposure of chemical weapons to our children. Violence in the world is not something that we can sit and think about it, instead we must encourage the ultimate sacrifice like so many have done before them. We pray they will be rewarded for their acts of valor that come with the risks.

Marty Graziano
Junior
Corral Hall
Army ROTC
May 1, 2000

Kudos to Notre Dame’s Pax Christi. After centuries of disease, Notre Dame has finally entered one of the official ministry of mourners to its campus. The only problem is that we must submit their ministry to ROTC students, Father Warner and Monk.

Even more disturbing is the exclusion of the millions of people who suffer due to the evils of wars around the world. Does Pax Christi mourn these people as well? I stress the witness to life since I understand the Christian call to nonviolence as a special calling to live and help the oppressed. Non-violence is a calling that may threaten your life as well. Because we are exhorted to live as the Christian on the firing end of guns and other weapons. And then from this position works towards solutions that would promote peace.

I only here protest, “Get rid of the military.” What about the violated and disempowered? Pax Christi IS silent on working out creative solutions to conflict. Rather they simply want to protest. And mourn.

Chris Culver
Senior
McGlinch Hall
May 2, 2000

Letters for the Commencement Edition will be accepted until May 15. Please send them to observer.viewpoint1@nd.edu
My bicycle. My sweet red machine. My beloved pedal donkey. My spunky cruel-saber. I had so many names for her, Helen-Rita, the Fiery-Eyed. She was real to me. Sheek red with a sturdy frame, a goose starting squeaker-horn, wheels that could make a man turn blindly on his side and scream for candy.

And she was taken away from me three months ago. Stolen from me right outside the un-watching eyes of the Lashergh Library. Mine is not a rare plight, not on this campus or most others throughout America. A 1994 study by Integrated Cycle Systems found that a student at a four-year college has a 53 percent chance of having his or her bicycle stolen. It is a startlingly high number, but it seems to pan out even here at Notre Dame if one asks around. Nearly everyone I asked — those who said they had a bike — had had theirs stolen at least once while it was on-campus. Some of them had been recovered and others had not, but all were made aware of a certain level of violation that comes with having your bicycle stolen.

Dillon sophomores Alex Menze and Dan Chew both had their locks cut and their bicycles stolen over Easter Break. "This is the second time this semester my bike has been stolen," said Menze. "I got it back the first time. Security found it abandoned by Minos Krause Circle. Whoever took it jumped up the tires."

Chew added: "If I find the guy who stole my bike, I hope he's reading this. I'm going to hunt my bike lock over his head. So if you're reading this, and you know who this bike lock belongs to in Dan Chew's, put it back beside Dillon unless you want to get your head bashed upon."

It might seem strange to read, but a person really develops an attachment to his or her bike. For a student living off-campus especially, but for anyone really, owning a bike is a relationship as strong as any other. You know which gears are the best for different situations, different moods. You know how your bike takes bumps, which ones will punish your groin and which ones you can sort of cruise over without screaming.

You know your brakes and when to use them. You get used to how a certain bike feels beneath you, and when that is taken away by some stranger who has no right to a relationship with your bicycle, well, that hurts a lot. It hurts to know that someone else is riding around on her, pushing her pedals and honking her horn.

What sort of person could take this away from another human being? What could possibly be going through a bicycle thief's mind when he or she takes it upon himself or herself to deprive you of that relationship?

I have parked my recovered bike in front of South Dining Hall. It is fairly well put together, tremendously unlocked and it has a flat tire. My observation post is located on this bench across the quad, directly in front of Howard Hall. My plan is this, wait until the thief is upon the bike and trying to ride it away. When this is done, I will spring from my bench, sprint across the quad and yell, "Freeze!"

But I myself am a resident of South Bend and I know how to handle these people. The thing to do in South Bend when confronted with a knife is to run like hell. They teach you that from the first day at Perley Elementary to the last day at Adams High School.

We had knife safety assemblies all the time in school, with speakers like Officer Terri, and his friend Jimmy the "Run like Hell" Bear. Not to mention the "Stay in Shape or You'll Be Cut Down in Your Prime" posters. Oh yes, I know how to handle these people.

9:30 p.m.

The bike is still there, and everyone who passes is ignoring it. It grows cold on this bench, and my thoughts turn to Paris and happier days. I think back to a friend who asked me earlier in the day, "What if it's not like a normal bike thief? What if it's a Townie? What if they don't lock you up?"

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The egg has been laid, and Mother Sky Hawk is within visible striking position should the cuckoo invade upon the integrity of the nest. I'm sitting in the corner of the bus stop shelter where I cannot be seen. I was dazed near invisible in this bus shelter. Yes, I am. I am also very cold.

12:07 a.m.

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12:30 a.m.

A Transpo is pulling up to the stop so I'm leaving. I hate that moment when the bus pulls up and opens its doors and the driver is there waiting for you to come aboard, but you aren't getting on the bus. You're just waiting to see if your bike gets stolen, and the bus driver is still just waiting for you. And you're diverting your gaze as if you haven't even noticed that an enormous bus has...
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The labyrinth-like mind of the bicycle thief

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Statistics show that students have a 53 percent chance of getting their bikes stolen while in college. Unfortunately, no one would take this writer’s bike — even when he begged!
Hockey
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Because our progression had been so steady, we thought the next step was just going to take place. We forgot about the work that it took to get there.

The next step was to straighten. The losing and frustration that began in October stretched through November and December. The new year didn't bring an end to the losing as the Irish won just once in the first half of 2000 to fall to 8-13-5 on the year.

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On January 21, junior Dan Carlson started the Irish turn-around with a bang Trailling Western Michigan 3-2 with 1:20 left in the third period, Carlson scored the game-winning goal to set it up for the game-winner in overtime. That victory would turn the season around for the Irish.

"From that point forward, there was sort of a relief feel," Poulin said. "Confidence is very fragile at this point. It needs to be tightened up quickly, it's easy to get steam rolled over. Other teams are doing well, you get some key injuries, lose three players to the World Junior Team. All those things combine and it feels like a wave right in your help. But I think we rebounded strongly.

While the Irish rebounded and returned to Joe Louis for the first time in near.

The second half of the team in the locker room that we straightened them out.

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**Track and Field**

Irish season prepares them for Big East Championships

By BRIAN BURKE

The Big East Championships have finally arrived. Beginning this Friday, the Notre Dame men's and women's track and field teams will take all of their preparation put in at meets such as the Arizona State Invitational, the Midwest Relays, and Piscataway, N.J., and make a run for Big East titles. The overall outlook for the Irish appears very good, and the runners' familiarity with their conference competition has given them the optimism going into the meet.

The men's sprints appear to be a particularly strong area for Notre Dame heading into the weeks. The 4 x 100-meter relay team of Marshall West, Chris Cochran, Travis Davey, and Tom Gilbert holds the school record and will definitely be expected to rebound from last week's troubles at Drake, where they ran well, but struggled with handoffs and exchanges.

"We're not really worried about the 4 x 100, we know we've got a good chance," West said. "We'll be looking to exchange a chance to get the meet well." The sprinters expect a great deal of success, the distance runners also see their performance as integral to the team's success. Leading the corps of runners will be Ryan Shay in the 10,000 and 5,000 meters, and Jake Watson in the 3,000 meter steeplechase.

"I think everyone's pretty much ready," Shay said. "All the distance guys know points have to come out of us if we're going to win." Shay enters the 10,000 meter race having qualified for the Olympic trials, ranked second in the country, and the clear favorite in the Big East.

"I don't think there's any big names in particular going up against me," Shay said. "I expect some runners to push me but I'll be the one coming out on top. A lot of guys running the 5,000 are doubling in other events, so not everyone in there is fresh. I know Georgetown will have someone in there that's fresh, but I feel I'm in good enough shape to possibly win both the 10,000 and the 5,000."}

Along with Shay and Watson, 800-meter runners Phil Mirska and Tim Kober will be looked upon to contribute as well. Both have qualified provisionally for the NCAA championships, and Kober comes into the meet running well, having just qualified last week at Drake. Other NCAA qualifiers Marc Stronowski (10,000 meters) and Antonio Arce (5,000 meters) look to be factors from this deep group.

For the women, much of Notre Dame's fortunes, at least for the sprinters, lie on the shoulders of Liz Grow. Though not really a sprinter, she is one of the top sprinters in the nation. Grow will run the 200- and 400-meters, as well as the 4 x 100- and 4 x 400-meter relays.

"I'm feeling good. I took last week off. I'm ready to roll," Grow said. "It should be a really fun meet. That sprint relay is really going to surprise everyone.

"I think Grow is the best in the nation," Shay said. "I'm going to win the 5,000, and Grow is going to win the 4 x 400-meter relay and be the top sprinter in the country."

Jennifer Engelhardt is just a great female athlete. She's had a fun 'cut she's 51. So how old is my years is that?

"My name is Charley the Cat, my person is Sister Pat. She's had a lot fun 'cut she's 51. So how old in my years is that?"

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NBA PLAYOFFS

Smith’s frustrations lead Portland to 85-77 victory

Associated Press

Steve Smith got mad, then he kept the Minnesota Timberwolves from getting even. Smith hit a key 3-pointer minutes after drawing a technical for tangling with Anthony Peeler, and the Portland Trail Blazers went on to eliminate the Wolves from the NBA playoffs with an 85-77 victory Tuesday night.

The Blazers won the best-of-five series 3-1 and advanced to face the Utah-Seattle winner. The Jazz lead that series 2-1 with Game 4 Wednesday night in Seattle.

Minnesota failed to reach the second round for the fourth straight season.

Smith and Peeler confronted each other with 5:07 left and the Wolves clinging to a 73-72 lead. Smith fell down after taking a long jumper, and Peeler walked over him. The two jawed at each other and drew double-technical fouls.

A minute later, Smith was called for a foul on Peeler, and Smith stared him down again.

The Blazers trailed 75-74 before Smith’s 3-pointer with 3:45 left, and the Wolves never regained the lead.

Smith finished with 14 points, one fewer than Rasheed Wallace and Arvydas Sabonis. Kevin Garnett nearly recorded his third triple-double of the series for Minnesota, finishing with 17 points, 10 rebounds and nine assists.

After Brian Grant’s basket gave Portland a 79-75 lead, Terrell Brandon’s layup made it 79-77 with just under a minute left.

Wallace banked in a jumper from the top of the circle with 32 seconds left, barely beating the buzzer and giving Portland a four-point lead. His two free throws 12 seconds later iced it.

Greg Anthony capped the scoring with a pair of free throws that provided the final margin. It was the first time in eight games between the teams this season that the final margin was bigger than seven points.

The Timberwolves, who blew a 13-point lead, again got inspired play from their reserves. This time, Bobby Jackson, who didn’t play at all in Game 3, scored 11 points, and the Wolves outscored the Blazers by 13 points when he was in the game.

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PHOENIX

Jason Kidd came back, Tim Duncan didn’t and the Phoenix Suns knocked the defending NBA champion San Antonio Spurs out of the playoffs.

Penny Hardaway and Rodney Rogers, winner of the NBA’s Sixth Man Award, scored 23 points apiece as the Suns won the best-of-five series 3-1 with an 89-78 victory Tuesday night.

Rogers, who also had 10 rebounds, scored eight points and Hardaway seven in the fourth quarter as Phoenix fought off one last San Antonio challenge to advance past the first round for the first time in five years.

The Suns play the winner of the Los Angeles Lakers-Sacramento series in the Western Conference semifinals.

The Spurs became the first defending champion to be eliminated in the first round since the Philadelphia 76ers lost to New Jersey 3-2 in 1984. The 1998 champion Chicago Bulls failed to make the playoffs last season after Michael Jordan’s retirement.

David Robinson tried to carry the load with 21 points and 16 rebounds, but he didn’t have enough help. Mario Elie was the only other San Antonio player in double figures with 12.

The Suns’ Cliff Robinson missed 10 of his first 12 shots, but made two crucial outside jumpers in the fourth quarter to finish with 10 points.

Kidd, out since March 22 with a broken left ankle, looked different with his newly blond curly hair, but he played as well as ever. He started and made his first three shots, the last one a 3-pointer, and finished with nine points and 10 assists in 31 minutes.

Duncan, a free agent at the end of the season, might have played his last game for San Antonio. He didn’t play at all in the series because of a slight ligament tear in his left knee.

Duncan practiced Monday, but decided Tuesday the leg was too sore.

The Spurs were down to 10 players, and only one power forward, after Malik Rose left with a torn medial collateral ligament in his right knee with 4:07 left in the first half and the Suns leading 31-28.
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NCAA BASKETBALL

Rush, Moiso look past UCLA to NBA draft for finances

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES

JaRon Rush almost certainly will be moving from his UCLA dorm room to far fancier digs in the near future.

Rush and fellow sophomore Jerome Moiso will pass up their final two college seasons with the Bruins to enter the NBA draft.

"The financial situation they put you in, certain players are suffering while the NCAA is making billions off them. If players are not getting the financial attention at school, they are going to jump to earn money," JaRon Rush, former UCLA player andDon't Have Any Money to do anything," Rush, who has a 2-year-old son he wants to support financially, also faces a $6,125 bill for taking money from an AAU coach when he was in high school in Kansas City, Mo.

That also cost Rush a 24-game suspension, although he returned late in the season to help UCLA earn an NCAA tournament berth, then beat Ball State and Maryland before finally losing to Iowa State.

His trouble with the NCAA and the fine — which he said he still intends to pay and which will go to charity — obviously had something to do with Rush's decision to leave school.

"External factors made it," he said of the decision. "There was so much pressure on me all season long. I just want a release from that. just to start over and do things the way I want them done."

Moiso, asked if it had been his plan to play a couple of years in college and opt for the draft, said, "It was. It's a great chance for me now to go out."

A native of Guadeloupe, West Indies who spent 1994-97 at the National Institute of Sport in Paris, Moiso led the Bruins with 7.6 rebounds a game this season. The 6-foot-10 forward/center was second in scoring at 13.0.

Hush, a 6-7 forward who played in the first three games of the season before being suspended, averaged 12.1 points and 5.7 rebounds in his nine games.

He mentioned his son, Shea, several times.

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Olympic Track and Field

Olympic committee questions marathoner’s participation

Associated Press

Khalid Khannouchi, the marathon world record-holder, was sworn in as a U.S. citizen Tuesday, but it was uncertain whether he could compete for the United States at the Olympics if he made the team.

Blocking the way could be the International Olympic Committee and the Moroccan Olympic Committee. IOC rules state that an athlete must wait three years to compete for his new country. That period can be reduced or eliminated only if three parties agree—previous national Olympic committee, track’s international ruling body and the IOC.

The general secretary of the Moroccan federation, Abdellatif el Jazouli, suggested Morocco would not approve.

“We have not been contacted,” he told The Associated Press. “Nobody has asked us anything. If there is an official request, we will put it to our federal council to decide.

“For us, the rules must be applied. It’s not up to the IAAF. It’s up to the national federation.”

Giorgio Reineri, a spokesman for the ruling IAAF, said the three-year rule does not apply. He said an athlete must be a citizen of the new country to compete for that country, unless he or she has competed for the former country in the past three years.

The last time the 25-year-old Khannouchi ran for Morocco was at the 1993 World University Games at Buffalo, N.Y. Khannouchi, who had been hoping to obtain his U.S. citizenship since arriving in the United States in 1993, set his sights on running in Sunday’s U.S. Olympic marathon trials at Pittsburgh.

But he has an ankle injury and his trainer has told him to not race for the next six weeks.

Khannouchi will discuss his plans Wednesday in New York. He could decide to run at Pittsburgh or wait until July and compete in the 10,000 meters in the U.S. Olympic track and field trials at Sacramento, Calif.

“Khalid has had injuries that could curtail his career,” said Gerard Hartmann, who has been treating Khannouchi in Ireland. “There’s no way he should run the marathon trials, although as Sandra (Khannouchi’s wife) says, he could run 2:12 in his sleep.”

A time of 2 hours, 12 minutes, might be good enough to earn Khannouchi a place on the three-man U.S. team.

Khannouchi would not discuss his intentions Tuesday at a City Hall ceremony in Houston, where he was made an honorary citizen of the city.

“This is a great day to finally happen,” he said. “It’s something we’ve been working on for over two years. I owe a great responsibility to the people who made this happen for me and gave me this chance. Now I have the ball and it is my responsibility to prove that all of this was worth it.

“I have a lot of friends here now. I have a new home here. I want to give something back. I still love my country but I have been treated so well and given so much support here that I want to run for America.”

Khalid Khannouchi
marathon world record holder

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mentality that they want to be national champs. We want to make the sacrifice — [to] win every game."

The hamstring injury that kept Givens out of the Blue-Gold game — triggered by running so many routes that he overused the tendon — stands as a testament to the team’s dedication.

"I wanted to play in the spring game so bad and I just couldn’t."

Givens said. "I didn’t want to hurt myself worse."

The team also decided to form a 15-person leadership council, of which Givens is a member, to make sure everyone stays focused on bringing a 12th national title back to South Bend. Speaking for the entire team, he said: "We agreed to do whatever it takes to win."

When I asked David what the team’s goals for the upcoming season were, the list he gave me didn’t have things like improve third-down defense or cut down on turnovers, only: "To play in the national championship game."

All those other things are necessary for success, but no one wearing the blue and gold wants to settle for individual pieces of the puzzle. They want to complete the entire picture. Looking at those signatures on the cover of my notebook, now with a wide receiver added to the mix, I wonder if I’m looking at the names of 15 national champions-to-be.

Three months and 30 days, huh? For once, I don’t think summer can move fast enough.

The views expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

Wide receiver David Givens (No. 6) has high expectations for this fall’s Fighting Irish football team. The junior-to-be’s top goal is to play in the national championship game.
Five student-athletes receive Byron V. Kanakey Awards

Swimming standouts Elizabeth Barger and Ray Fitzpatrick, baseball star Jeff Perconte, women’s soccer All-American Jenny Streiffer and rowing headliner Katrina Ten Eyck have been named recipients of the prestigious Byron V. Kanakey Awards at Notre Dame for the 1999-2000 school year. The Byron V. Kanakey Awards are the most prestigious honors presented to senior student-athletes at the University. Since 1927, they have been awarded annually to mono-gram athletes who have been most exemplary as both students and leaders. Selected by the Notre Dame Faculty Board, the awards are named in honor of Byron V. Kanakey, a 1904 graduate who played baseball for the Irish.

Barger won two Big East championships and was a four-time all-conference selection in 2000 as the Irish won their fourth consecutive Big East women’s swimming title. An 11-time Big East champion during her illustrious career, Barger also holds two Notre Dame and two Big East records, while earning honorable mention All-America honors in 1999. A five-time Dean’s List member, Barger has a 3.458 point average in American studies. She was a 1999 College Swimming Coaches Association (CSCAA) All-Academic winner. A two-time team captain, she earned second-team GTE-CoSIDA Fall/Winter At-Large honors in 2000.

Fitzpatrick became the first Notre Dame men’s swimmer to earn Academic All-America honors as he was named third-team GTE-Men’s Fall/Winter At-Large in 2000. A two-time co-captain, Fitzpatrick won the 200 freestyle at the 2000 Big East Championships, while leading Notre Dame to its second run-up finish. A nine-time all-Big East selection, Fitzpatrick has a 3.685 GPA while majoring in math. He is a seven-time Dean’s List honoree and holds seven Notre Dame swimming records. Fitzpatrick plans to enter medical school in the fall.

Perconte, a solid offensive and defensive player for the Irish, was hitting .429 until a shoulder injury caused him to miss 11 games during the season. A six-time Dean’s List student, he carries a 3.73 GPA as a double major in economics and government. Perconte serves as a resident assistant at Knott Hall. He will attend Notre Dame’s law school in the fall.

Streiffer earned All-America honors from the National Soccer Coaches Association of America in 1996 and 1999 when she led the Irish to the NCAA championship game. As a sophomore and a junior, Streiffer earned GTE-CoSIDA first-team Academic All-America accolades. She is one of only two players in Division I soccer history to score 70 goals and have 70 assists and is 10th in NCAA history and first in Notre Dame’s all-time listings with 211 career points. Streiffer has a 3.456 GPA in pre-professional studies and anthropology. She was the 2000 Big East Scholar-Athlete of the Year. She was the 1997 recipient of the Knute-Rockne Scholarship-Athlete Award and is a member of the Pre-Veterinary Club. Streiffer plans to attend veterinary school after graduation.

Ten Eyck is the rowing team’s most valuable athlete after leading the Irish in 2000 in only their second season of varsity rowing competition.

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- Awards presented to outstanding Notre Dame Midshipmen by over 30 international, national, and local organizations. Those organizations include National Defense Industrial Association, Society of American Military Engineers, American Society of Naval Engineers, The American Legion, Veterans of Foreign Wars, National Sojourners, Marine Corps Association, and many more...

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Irish pitching again in the third, scoring two runs on three hits. The Irish batted in the bottom of the third as consecutive two out singles by Steve Steinley, Alec Porzel, and Jeff Felker plated two runs to pull the team within three. Northwestern answered quickly in the fourth, though, as left fielder Robert Dainton's bases-loaded single drove in two, making the Wildcat lead 7-2. Dainton went 4-5 in the game with three RBIs and a pair of runs. Notre Dame pulled within three again in the fifth as Jeff Ferrante reached base on an error and singles by Stanley and Porzel loaded the bases for Jeff Felker. Felker hit a soft ground ball on the infield that appeared to be a inning-ending double play, but Felker beat the throw to first, scoring Porzel and a hustling Stanley from second. Any hopes of another late game Irish rally were dashed in the eighth inning, though, as Northwestern scored the game's final two runs, putting a comeback out of reach.

"It was just one of those nights that things didn't go our way. It's pretty disappointing."
Paul Mainieri, Irish head coach

Schara, who normally starts weekend conference games for Northwestern, made a rare midweek, non-conference start against the Irish, and shut Notre Dame batters down for most of the game. "Schara is one of their weekend starters and one of their top pitchers," Mainieri said after the game. "We pitched one of our midweek starters, and he didn't pitch as well."

The Irish will look to turn it around Wednesday as they host a doubleheader against Oakland at 4:05.

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**WOMEN'S SOCCER**

Notre Dame looks at 2000 schedule with enthusiasm

Special to The Observer

Home games with Santa Clara and Stanford, a road trip to Portland and the Big East Championship at Alumni Field highlight the 2000 Notre Dame women's soccer schedule, head coach Randy Waldrum announced Tuesday.

The Irish will begin the 2000 season with their earliest season opener ever when Detroit visits Alumni Field on Sun., Aug. 27, for a 1:00 p.m. game. "We are really excited about the high level of teams on our 2000 schedule," said 1999 Big East coach of the year Randy Waldrum. "We will be playing another difficult schedule against a number of NCAA championship or ranked teams. Our home schedule should be really exciting for our fans with teams like Connecticut, Santa Clara and Stanford coming to Alumni Field, in addition to the Big East Championship."

The nine-game Big East schedule features six games against Mid-Atlantic division opponents and three cross-divisional games against Northeast opponents will comprise the conference schedule. The Irish will play host to Pittsburgh, Seton Hall, Rutgers and Boston College and travel to West Virginia, Georgetown, Villanova, Syracuse and Connecticut. Five-time defending champion Notre Dame will be the host of the Big East Championship on Fri., Nov. 3, and Sun., Nov. 5. The Irish first played host to the event in 1996.

Notre Dame's adidas/KeyBank Classic will feature Santa Clara and Stanford — two teams the Irish defeated on their way to the 1999 NCAA championship game — in addition to Big East rival Connecticut.

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**WEDNESDAY, MAY 3, 2000**

**CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY:** Sugar Ray Robinson, Greg Gumbel, Doug Hazen, Mary Norris, Pete Seeger, Christopher Cowan

Happy Birthday! Ask for help if you need it this year. You always want to be everything and do everything for everyone. Stick to let others do for you. You can achieve your dreams if you allow others to pick up the slack. You will learn plenty from the experience. Don’t be upset by the year. Your numbers are 7, 13, 19, 25, 31. **ARIES** (March 21-April 19): Aggressive behavior will get you in trouble. You have to get on easy with those you work with. Your mate will be upset if you try to impose or talk him or her into doing things your way. **Taurus** (April 20-May 20): Take your time. You will be prone to minor accidents if you are in a hurry. If you are in a hurry, it is better to wait and deliberate. If you do the work yourself, you will get help by touch-tone phone.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 20): Don’t get involved in last-minute schemes. You should take a close look at your personal paper. You may have to make changes or update your will. **CANCER** (June 21-July 22): Travel for business or pleasure will benefit. You will come into contact with interesting people. Lasting business or emotional partnerships can be formed. Let your creative ideas be known. **VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Don’t become involved in get-rich-quick schemes. Your money should be put into stable long-term investments. Problems with older female members of your family will be upsetting.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You should work at mastering your skills. You will be in a high creative cycle and should concentrate on making big changes. You will have greater opportunities this year. **SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Big changes for romance will unfold through friends, relatives or neighbors. Pleasure trips will prove to be exciting. Use your ingenuity to arrange the favors of potential mates.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Criticism will set you off. You are having a hard time emotionally and you don’t need someone nagging at you. Don’t let your job suffer because of your personal life.

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HOCKEY

Poulin sticks with improving Irish program

By MIKE CONNOLLY
Sports Writer

Irish hockey coach Dave Poulin's 13-year-old daughter Lindsay was flipping through the pages of her April 24 Sports Illustrated when a few small sentences on page 65 caught her eye. The sports writer predicted that if the Boston Bruins fired their head coach, Poulin would be the next man behind the bench in BeanTown. Lindsay, excited about starting high school next fall with her twin sister Taylor, did not want to move to Boston.

"Dad, we aren't going to Boston are we?" she asked.

"No, Linds," Poulin replied. "Don't worry about it.

If the Notre Dame student cheering section, fondly referred to as the Gnom Squad, had been in the Poulin household to hear his reply, it would have cheered more loudly than it does for an Irish goal. Just as Lindsay didn't want to leave her friends, Poulin wasn't excited about uprooting his family for a career that only lasts an average of 2.2 years in one city. Poulin chose the more stable lifestyle in South Bend over the bright lights and bigger salaries of the NHL. And he doesn't regret it.

"I have had other opportunities. It's just that time of year. I am in a business where coaches change every year," Poulin said. "I am extremely happy at Notre Dame. I am thrilled to be here."

And Notre Dame fans are thrilled to have him. In Poulin's first season, Notre Dame finished 9-23-4. This year the Irish finished 15-15-8 and advanced to the CCHA semifinals at Joe Louis Arena for the first time since the 1981-82 season.

"I think it has been a constant upward curve," Poulin said. "We've had some great challenges here. We've gotten better every year. Each year we have progressed to a new level. That was the key part about going to Joe Louis this year, we have progressed to a new level."

Turning a season around

After earning home ice in the CCHA tournament for the first time since 1981-82 in 1998-99, the hockey team entered the 1999-2000 season with high expectations. But the Irish stumbled at the start of the season and lost five of their first six games.

"I think what we dealt with early was probably that we just thought it was going to happen," Poulin said. "When I say 'we', I think it was the coaches and the players."

BASEBALL

Irish pitching fails to live up to expectations

By BRIAN TRAVERS
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame pitching staff, which came into last night's game with an NCAA leading 2.72 earned run average (ERA), gave up an uncharacteristic nine runs as the 20th ranked Irish dropped to 36-12 in a 9-0 loss to Northwestern.

Wildcat batters hit the ball hard all night, pumping out 18 hits, including 16 singles. The first four batters in the order hit 12-18 with 7-8-1. Northwestern pitcher Zach Schara (7-4) scattered nine hits and allowed only two earned runs to record his 11th win.

"It was just one of those nights that things didn't go our way," head coach Paul Mainieri said after the game. "It's pretty disappointing."

The Irish pitching staff could not seem to get the job done, as three different pitchers combined to allow the nine Wildcat runs. Starter Drew Huff (4-2) took the loss, giving up five runs in three innings. Mike Naimo and Branden Vitoria each gave up a pair of runs in relief work.

Northwestern got ahead early, scoring three runs in the first inning off of starting pitcher Matt Czepiel (2-0). Second baseman Jeff Perconte batted in a recent game for the Irish. The baseball tri-captain was a winner of this year's Kanele Award, the highest honor given to senior student-athletes.