In memory of Brionne

◆ Mass honors Welsh junior who succumbed to cancer

By JASON McFARLEY
Assistant News Editor

Two months to the day of her death, Brionne Clary's friends, family and neighbors gathered to celebrate the life of the former Welsh Family Hall resident at a well-attended memorial Mass Tuesday.

The attendees filled the Basilica of the Sacred Heart to more than half capacity and remembered the Notre Dame junior whose Sept. 20 death marked the end of a years-long battle with leukemia.

"Although it is with great sadness that we gather here today, it is with great confidence that we understand Brionne has moved on to a better place," University president Father Edward Malloy said to a crowd comprised mostly of students and Clary's fellow Welsh Hall residents.

Malloy, who presided over the 50-minute Mass, also delivered Clary's homily. He lauded Clary as a symbol of courage and personal strength.

"She was courageous in fighting her medical dilemma. She didn't want it to be a strike against her or an obstacle. She fought gracefully and with a sense of purpose; and in doing that, she served as a model for all of us," Malloy said.

Malloy praised Clary, of Tyler, Texas, as an asset to the University.

"To the members of Brionne's family: Thanks for the gift of

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Police arrest 1,700 at SOA protest in Georgia

◆ Martin Sheen among arrested demonstrators

By TIM McFARLEY
Senior Staff Writer

COLUMBUS, Ga.

Wearing white masks and black robes and carrying cardboard coffins and crosses, thousands of demonstrators marched slowly through the gates of Fort Benning.

As they've done every year since 1989, they came Sunday to demand the closing of the Army's School of the Americas, which trains Latin American soldiers. Critics blame the school for human rights abuses committed by some of its graduates, as well as the Army's alleged human rights abuses committed by its own soldiers.

It was a powerful day, the school's annual "demonstration," the most innovative and energetic bands of last decade, Ben Folds Five.
Holiday Blues

Two years ago this Thanksgiving eve was my family's day from hell. My big brother was gone visiting friends. My mom had taken our truck to work and then to help her friend pack for a move. I had gone up to work because his car was in shop.

It was a dark, rainy, cold day. I left the house with plenty of time to get to my doctor's appointment. Until I realized that the entrance ramp was backed up to who knows where, and I decided to cut across town.

I knew I was going to be late once I realized that traffic was a mess. Smack in front of my high school, I panicked. I switched lanes none too subtly and bumped a black sedan that had somehow snuck up on me. Since it was my first accident and the people were not friendly, I was backed up for a while.

Meanwhile, my mom was on her way to her friend's house and heard her tire blow when she was almost there. By the time she parked at the house, it was completely flat. She called my father, who got a ride out to the house, and the two of them had to fix the tire.

The log nuts would not budge. Finally they managed it, only to arrive home and listen to my frantic messages on the machine. My mom gave me my dad off at the accident, and he helped me deal with the police officer and the couple in the other car. My dad drove me home after school, since I was in no state to drive.

That evening, he turned to me and remarked that he was getting wet. It was turned out that I had dented the driver's side door hinge, so that at the top of the door there was only an inch of open air between it and the car itself.

And to top it all off, my poor little brother, Pete got left at basketball practice for about two hours. After dropping my dad off, and undergoing severe emotional strain because of your truly, my mom had drive back across town to my father's high school in half the time flat.

Pete waited patiently by the gym, knowing any minute his mom would show up to take him home. Ironically, right before my mom got there she gave up on her and got a ride home with someone from one of the girls' basketball teams.

All of us were finally all home when we remembered we were supposed to be at our friend's house for dinner, and that my older brother would be meeting us there. We were all tired and emotionally exhausted, but we went. Pete was silent, and the evening was spent swapping car stories, but I wasn't the only one supplying the laughs.

By the time I woke the next morning, I was very, very grateful for a lot of things, including a safe car to drive, loving parents and va.<,:.'..:ion friends. And I drive slow.

Father John Harvey on homosexuality at Notre Dame

"I could talk about the hostile environment but I let's skip all that. Let's just get down to the teachings of the church."

Dean of the College of Arts and Letters, Mark Roche on questioning religion

"I absolutely endorse the idea that a loss of faith or the criticism of faith can ultimately strengthen it."

Ron Israel, Notre Dame strong safety

"You can play bigtime football at Ohio State or Florida, but I wanted a biggerime degree."

"Americans struggle with a sexual culture driven by Puritanical repression and pornographic over-exposure."

Peggy Sandy on 'rape-prone' campuses

OUTSIDE THE DOME

San Diego State mascot receives criticism

San Diego State mascot makes 29 arrests and fires tear gas and rubber bullets in response to rioting at Ohio State University in Columbus early Sunday morning. Rioters set 129 fires and a student was injured at the violence that followed Ohio State's 38-26 loss to Michigan in Saturday afternoon's football game. "That student was operated on this morning and is out of the woods," Ohio State spokeswoman Elizabeth Conlisk said Sunday. At least five cars were overturned or significantly damaged. Ohio State officials expect to know Monday how many students were among those arrested. Police were unable to say whether any University of Michigan students were arrested. "It is obvious that excessive alcohol is at the core of this problem, and in addition we will continue our efforts to curb alcohol abuse," Ohio State President William Kirwan said in a written statement. The riots occurred despite a video shown during the football game. Kirwan also said an e-mail earlier in the week to Ohio State's 48,000 students with the same message.

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McElroy discusses effects of tourism on island habitats

By KATIE MILLER
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The scientific committee on problems of the environment (SCOPE) discussed the effects of tourism on the local culture and environment of island nations at a conference in late September. Saint Mary's economics professor Jerry McElroy is a member of the committee that serves as a network of international environmental researchers. In addition to SCOPE members and academic researchers, travel writers, and representatives from island governments and tourist industry attended the conference.

In March, McElroy met with SCOPE members in Paris to choose a focus for September's conference. "We decided to focus on observing bio-diversity and its link to tourism especially on islands. Tourism is the lifeblood on islands. We wanted to discuss managing diversity in the long run. Islands have the most to gain by managing assets," said McElroy.

The conference presented two background papers discussing the use of info-technology on tourism. The conference also included McElroy's paper that discussed the impact of tourism in small islands. "The hope is that from these studies common ingredients for sustainable tourism will surfaced," said McElroy.

McElroy acknowledged the great need for environmental protection without a large amount of governmental intervention. "One way to preserve biodiversity is with national parks. The hotel and airline industries must support preserving national assets," McElroy added.

Island nations tend to make tourism a larger priority than their local culture and environment. "In islands, travel interests go towards profit, the environment suffers the most. There is a new understanding that it is in our economic interests to preserve our environment, and when people travel, it is to learn something, not to observe an extension of their own culture," he said. "Unless people are concerned, nothing happens."

The conference members hope to continue meeting to discuss pertinent environmental issues in the future. "I think it's safe to say we don't have any strong recommendations at this point. It is hoped as usual, bio-diversity will not work as long as it affects local culture and environment," McElroy said.

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McElroy presented an example of an island nation exploiting biodiversity. An international organization appropriated one of the Seychelles islands in the Indian ocean as a bird sanctuary. As a result, tourists from all over the world visit the island to see the unique habitat. "It is important to find ways in which we can foster soft forms of tourism and eco-tourism," he said. "This is done by visiting sites in small numbers to learn about or appreciate different forms of wildlife. In order for any economic priority in the environment and local culture, citizens must be involved, he added."

"The greatest safeguard to the environment is citizen awareness. The citizens will not allow the government to destroy what's there."
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hour, until the procession reached the gates of Fort Benning. Only about half of the marchers intended to cross the line and were apprehended and processed. One colonel who talked with Millar spoke of the good work the school does in training its students to respect human rights and democracy. "It was interesting to talk with him, to hear his perspective," Millar said. "We weren't protesting the people who worked at the SDA or saying that they were evil people."

After the processing, Millar and her seven companions, along with other detained demonstrators, were bussed off the base, where they reunited with those who had not entered and those who had turned back. And the Notre Dame group got back in their vans for the ride back to South Bend, thinking about their journey to Georgia and the scores of Saturday's football game.

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Sister Mary Johnalyn, 68, of West Allis, Wis., said she was photographed, fingerprinted and given a letter barring her from the post. She said she was charged with damaging U.S. property for spilling fake blood. "I was a missionary in Mexico and I found these people so loving," she said. "I don't want them to come up here and learn to be ugly murderers."

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your daughter or your sister to the University. She has enriched this community," Malloy said, addressing the 20-year-old's parents and two sisters. Malloy spoke of an "energetic, enthusiastic and sense of humor" evident in Clary's academic work and extracurricular activities. Clary, a mechanical engineering major, was active in intramural basketball and other dorm activities.

"We know a lot about Brionne from her friends and your presence here today. This provides us confidence that she lived her life worthily," Malloy said, calling for the audience to do like-wise.

Clary died from pneumonia, a complication of her cancer. She was first stricken in high school but recovered from the disease. She was re-diagnosed in August and didn't return for her junior year of studies.

News in Brief

Corrected United Limo times: United Limo leaves from Notre Dame's west guard gate to Chicago-area airports this week at the following times: 4:05 a.m., 5:05 a.m., 6:05 a.m., 8:05 a.m., 10:05 a.m., 11:05 a.m., 12:05 p.m., 2:05 p.m., 4:05 p.m. and 6:05 p.m.
World News Briefs

Japan parliament motion defeated: A no-confidence motion against Prime Minister Yoshiro Mori was defeated in Parliament early Tuesday after a leading ruling party member withdrew his support for it. The motion failed by a vote of 237-190 in an early morning ballot after a marathon — and often vociferous — session in which opposition lawmakers argued Mori's government was a failure.

China joins U.N. human rights: China agreed Monday to accept United Nations help to move toward complying with international human rights treaties, a decision hailed as a milestone by the U.N.'s human rights chief. Under the agreement, human rights workshops will be arranged with government officials, judges, prosecutors, lawyers, police and prison officials.

National News Briefs

Protein linked to AIDS virus: A protein that does housekeeping inside cells plays a key role in spreading the AIDS virus to other cells of the body, researchers report. In studies appearing in the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, researchers say a group of proteins, called proteasomes, are used by HIV, the AIDS virus, in assembler new viral particles and to spread those new particles to other uninfected cells. Ulrich Schulte of the National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases said lab studies show that blocking the action of the proteasome proteins can reduce the spread of HIV infection by about 98 percent.

FDA says Tamiflu prevents flu: Taking the prescription drug Tamiflu not only treats influenza, but a pill a day during an outbreak can prevent the misery-inducing illness almost like a vaccine, the government announced Monday.

Indiana News Briefs

Indiana highway hero: A truck driver from north-central Indiana has won the Indiana Goodyear Highway Ilero Award, the tire company announced Monday. Heath Martin, of Kewanna, was honored for his efforts in a house fire at house fire in Rounka, Indiana.

Pastor faces deportation: A pastor who has lived in the United States since he was 10-years-old could be deported because he voted in an election and was not a U.S. citizen. Frank Audia, 28, is a native of El Salvador.

Court questions Florida recount

Associated Press

A transfixed nation turned its eyes to Florida's Supreme Court, where an army of lawyers for Al Gore and George W. Bush battled Monday over whether the marathon election should drag on. Weary recount workers picked through ballots in three Democratic-leaning counties, wondering if their labor would be for naught.

After 13 days of suspended political animation, lawsuits and recounts, "chads" and "pregnant chads," the presidential election may come down to this: Seven justices, all appointed by Democratic governors, will decide if the GOP secretary of state can certify Bush's minuscule lead without accepting votes counted by hand.

Bush's official lead stands at 930 votes. Gore picked up 134 votes in manual recounts by late Monday, which if counted would reduce Bush's margin to 517. Gore advisers were frustrated by their relatively small gains; Bush's forces cried foul in the one county where the vice president gained ground.

The historic Supreme Court hearing opened with a court marshel belowing, "God save these United States," and the justices got right down to business — peppering lawyers with questions of law in a case riddled with political landmines.

Chief Justice Charles Wells pressed both sides about how long the state might wait to certify its election results without jeopardizing its 25-vote stake in the Dec. 18 roll call of the Electoral College. His questions sketched a scenario in which recounts might continue, perhaps into December.

"Tell me when Florida's electoral vote would be in jeopardy," Wells said again and again. "Why wouldn't it be in this unique circumstance a better thing to do to wait" to certify vote totals.

Justice Barbara Pariente asked whether selective recounts were unfair to voters who live in counties where the ballots were tabulated only once — a point that Bush has made in his legal filings.

U.S. supports Sudan war victims

Associated Press

RUMBEK

Moved by the accounts of freed slaves, a senior U.S. official on Monday pledged America's diplomatic, humanitarian and moral support to the people of southern Sudan caught up in a 17-year-old civil war. Susan Rice, the assistant secretary of state for African affairs, said their problems — including abductions, slavery and air strikes — have captured the sympathy of Americans.

"The Sudan issue resonates in a way with the U.S. public on a scale we have not seen since the apartheid movement," Rice said in the town of Rumbek during a two-day visit to southern Sudan.

Sitting in the shade to escape the searing heat in Marial Bai in the war-devastated province of Bahr el Ghazal on Sunday, Rice listened to four women tell how they were held as slaves between 1998 and 1999.

"The U.S. will never tolerate slavery and will never rest until the suffering you and many others have experienced is ended," Rice told them.

In a fresh reminder of the brutal war, an aid organization working in Sudan said Monday that government planes bombed a market in the rebel stronghold of Yei in southern Sudan, killing 18 people. Norwegian People's Aid said more than 50 others were wounded when 14 bombs hit the town. It is the latest in a series of air attacks by the Sudanese government on rebel-held areas.

War has plagued much of Africa's largest nation for 33 of the 44 years since it gained independence from Anglo-Egyptian rule in 1956. The latest conflict broke out in 1983 and is seen as a fight between the predominantly Christian south, which is seeking greater autonomy and religious freedom and the largely Muslim government.
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Three Israeli siblings suffer bomb injuries

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BEERSHEBA

Two years ago, Noga Cohen's children escaped injury when a suicide bomber blew himself up near their school bus. But on Monday another bomb struck home.

This time, Cohen's seven children — her son Israel, 7, and two daughters, Tehila, 9, and Orit, 12 — lost limbs when their bus was sprayed by shrapnel from a mortar shell detonated by Palestinian militants as it traveled from the Kfar Darom settlement to their school in the Gaza Strip.

Israel lost a leg, Orit part of a foot, and Tehila was badly hurt in both legs.

"It looks like there are no more miracles," said Cohen, as she sat at Soroka Hospital in the Negev Desert town of Beersheba for word from doctors on whether they would have to amputate Tehila's legs.

Cohen, 32, and her husband Ofir, 33, have lived in Kfar Darom, a settlement of 250 families surrounded by Palestinian-controlled areas, for 10 years.

Ideology brought the Cohens to Gaza. They wanted to claim some of the poverty-stricken, overcrowded strip with 1 million Palestinian residents for the Jewish people. The Cohens, who are among 6,500 settlers in Gaza, believe Gaza is part of Eretz Israel, the biblical land promised to the Jewish people. The Cohen family, who are among 6,500 settlers in Gaza, believe Gaza is part of Eretz Israel, the biblical land promised to the Jewish people.

But Noga Cohen said she never imagined "it would have to pay such a heavy price for safeguarding our homeland."

Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak visited the Cohen children Monday evening.

"These are children who will carry on their bodies, for the rest of their lives, the scars of this grave, criminal, barbaric act which we saw today," Barak told reporters at the hospital.

The Cohen children, along with other youngsters and adults from Kfar Darom, got on an armored bus at about 7:30 a.m. Monday for a 15-minute drive to their school in Gush Katif, a cluster of Jewish settlements in southern Gaza.

About three minutes after the bus left the heavily guarded settlement, three Palestinians detonated a 155mm mortar shell several dozen yards from the vehicle. A shrapnel-tore melt-size hole into the right side of the bus, killing two adults. Nine Palestinian passengers, includingMadeleine Albright, the driver, three women and five children...
Controversial abortion pill heads for U.S. clinics

RU-486 still second to surgical abortion, doctors say

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

It was hailed by pro-choice groups as a turning point in the abortion wars — a pill to increase access to abortions and let women get them privately from their own doctor instead of facing shouting protestors at clinics.

But with the first RU-486 abortions to begin this week, don’t expect such sweeping change yet. Private doctors so far aren’t rushing to embrace the pill, now called mifepristone — and many of the thousands of women flood­ing hot lines seeking it are learning surgical abortion remains the option most appropriate for them.

“A woman might feel that all she has to do is take a pill and the pregnancy kind of magically disappears, and of course that’s not true.”

Maureen Paul doctor for Planned Parenthood

One graphic Internet site is identifying doctors who offer mifepristone and other abortions, sometimes naming their children, too. It’s a reincarna­tion of a mid-1990s site that some Internet providers shut down after doctors were attacked.

Regardless of where women get mifepristone, what can they expect it to do? It depends on where they got the pill.

Mifepristone blocks the action of progesterone, vital for an embryo to develop. A second drug, misoprostol, causes uterine contract­ions to expel the embryo. Studies show the combina­tion causes abortion 95 percent of the time; serious bleeding is a very rare side effect.

The FDA instructs women to swallow three mifepristone tablets, return to the doctor two days later to swallow two misoprostol tablets, and return again within two weeks for the doctor to check that the abortion worked.

But many abortion clinics plan to have women swallow one mifepristone tablet and carry misoprostol home where, two days later, they’ll insert it vaginally. Then they’ll make one return doctor visit to ensure the abortion worked. A study in the Journal of the American Medical Association found the second, easier method worked as well.

Only women in the first seven weeks of pregnancy are candidates. Most state abortion laws also apply to mifepristone, so timing the pill must take into account waiting periods and parental notification requirements.

The FDA approved mifepristone in September, 12 years after European women began using it and after years of bitter opposition by anti-abortion groups.

On Monday, U.S. marketer Danco Laboratories shipped the first mifepristone supplies, mostly to abortion clinics affiliated with Planned Parenthood and the National Abortion Federation. More than 300 such clinics are expected to offer the pills within a few weeks. Most say they’ll cost the same as surgery — $300 to $700.

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Massachusetts nurse on trial for veteran deaths

SPRINGFIELD, Mass. - A nurse murdered four patients at a veterans hospital because she liked the thrill of medical emergencies and wanted to impress her boyfriend, a prosecutor said in opening statements Monday in Massachusetts' first capital case.

Kristen Gilbert, 33, of Setauket, N.Y., is accused of murdering four patients at the Veterans Affairs Medical Center in Northampton by injecting them with high levels of adrenaline. She is also accused of trying to kill three other patients.

Defense attorney David Hoose said that all the patients who died were suffering from serious illnesses that ultimately killed them.

"All life ends," he said. "For the four men who died here, life has simply come to an end." Hoose said investigators made a scapegoat out of Gilbert, and suggested her colleagues turned against her because they sided with her husband in a divorce.

Massachusetts banned the death penalty in 1984. This is a federal case, brought by the government because the alleged crimes took place on federal property.

Prosecutor William Welch said Gilbert provoked medical emergencies so she could respond and attract the attention of peers and James Perrault, her boyfriend who worked as a hospital security guard.

In emergencies, Gilbert was seen flitting with Perrault and pressing her body suggestively against him, the prosecutor said. He said she once climbed atop a patient and straddled him, apparently to display a garter belt to Perrault.

The prosecutor displayed photographs of the patients on several oversized television monitors around the courtroom. He then showed the jury a vial of adrenaline and said Gilbert "transformed this drug from a drug of life into a drug of death, solely for her own personal selfish pleasures."

Adrenaline is usually used to restore a normal heart beat to a stalled heart, but when used incorrectly can make the heart race.

Welch said that each man had a normally functioning heart when he entered the intensive care unit and that Gilbert tried to cover her tracks by falsifying medical reports.

He said Gilbert confessed to the attacks to Perrault and to her ex-husband. He quoted her as telling Perrault, "I did it! I did it! You wanted to know! I killed all those guys by injection."

Welch said it is practically impossible for so many patients with strong hearts to suffer cardiac arrests for no apparent reason.

He said that is like "lightning striking not once, not twice, not three times, but multiple times... in the same ward... and all following this defendant."

If the jurors convict Gilbert of murder, they must decide in a separate penalty phase whether she should get the death penalty or life in prison without parole.

Massachusetts last executed an inmate in 1947 and has not had capital punishment since the state's highest court struck down the death penalty in 1984 during an attempt by prosecute to bring the penalty against three men accused of gunning down a state trooper.

"There's something deeply unsettling about seeing a federal capital trial in a state that has said no to that," said Ann Lambert, a lawyer for the state branch of the American Civil Liberties Union. The ACLU opposes the death penalty.

Moon's Mankind and Extra-Terrestrials

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Does anyone else realize we are all insane? I'm talking loopy-loo-put-me-in-a-straitjacket insane. And finally, I've found the reason why. I'm a college student.

Think about it. Think about the ridiculous things you or I have done in our time here and do I not mean at parties or the like. I mean only college students would think it is absolutely OK to stay up until the wee hours of the morning studying our brains out for a test and then do the same thing again two nights later. Looking back on my past years here, I had a revelation. A breakthrough. An epiphany, if you will. That test I had last week that I walked into knowing nothing and walked out of as if I had just been held hostage for the last 50 minutes. It wasn't matter in 10 years.

Hell, it won't matter next year when I'm in the "real world" and will hopefully have a job. I highly doubt that a perspective employer is going to question how my test grade was the week of November whatever. If they do care, then I am telling you now. I'm in trouble. And 30 years down the line in my job that I will hopefully have, it really won't matter, because by that point it probably will not matter if I even went to college.

So why do we go to college? Some people say it's because it's the best four, five or six years of your life. To whom that may be true if the best times these people had were crammed into a short four year period, then they lead sad, and live. Because, if you do not plan on letting the memorable and fantastic times you have had over the years come to a screeching halt on May 19, 2001. Considering some 15 million people are enrolled in colleges and universities across the country and about 9.4 million of those people are under the age of 25, there must be some good reason why we do this. Why, after 12 years of learning we choose to go to college for at least another four. Why we voluntarily stay up late and get up early to make the best grades we possibly can. Why push ourselves to be at the top of our class. Why we make the decision to go days without showering because our class and study module does not allow the time to do so.

I decided to search why other people I know went to college. Their answers were surprising, though not abnormal. Well, not really. "It's been ingrained in my head since I was little." "It's what comes between high school and marriage." "It was either go to college or pay rent." "Well, when I was little, other kids played house and I played college dorm room." "It was 啪 beat to college or why we could go to college and why anyone give a good reason why. I guess it could be because a higher education can give you a better job and help you attain goals in your life, but think of all the people who did that and never went to college. And think of the people who tried college and it simply was not their bag. They then still wound up doing something they liked and it could be to do to live out their dream. Think of the fact that just because you have a degree does not entitle you to your dream job or any job for that matter. That if the way's it going to be, then I'm going to sell back my books now and take the 12 dollars and go see a movie. I'm hoping, however, my B.A. In English will mean something more than the the 'X' amount of dollars spent on an education, a constant cough and cold because my body is too weak from lack of sleep to fight the sniffles anymore and the knowledge that if you pull an all-nighter, Papa John's stops delivering at 2 a.m. and "Law & Order" comes on at 4 a.m. at A&E. I am in no way a philosophy major and I do not have all the answers. One answer I can come up with is that college is just something you do if you feel the need and being individuals, we do things differently. For some, it's a natural progression of sorts. I honestly don't know what I would have done had I not gone to college (except probably go to college)." And I guess that is really why I'm here — to figure out what I want to do. If I'm open to suggestions, by the way.)

Looking back I take a look at all college courses I've done, in and out of the classroom, and my whole college "experience," I've realized that I am, indeed, nuts. My mental state at times is not in the hot and there are weeks where I question everyday that I'm here. If you can live through that sense you get every once in a while of "why am I here?" and realize that deep down the reason you are in college is that you are learning, then it will be OK. It's a love of know­ ing all there is to know about a subject that makes me continue to write this column. And I do not mean I have a revelation. A breakthrough. An epiphany, if you will. That test I had last week that I walked into knowing nothing and walked out of as if I had just been held hostage for the last 50 minutes. It wasn't matter in 10 years.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Combating obscene phone calls

I'm writing to all the women at Notre Dame, Saint Mary's and anywhere they may reside, whether they own a telephone or not. The Bell Telephone Company has on request a brochure that instructs all of us and especially women, how to react to obscene phone calls and the like.

The timely brochure instructs us how to react to such calls. When one receives such a phone call whether it be harassing, obscene, threatening, intimidating threats to one's life or property, bomb threats, threats to inflict bodily harm or injury, threats of kidnapping or just any type of threat. We are instructed by Bell's brochure that when such calls are given the phone number immediately. Don't tarry with this criminal individual, note the time, the date and the day, call the police, whether campus security or South Bend Police, and follow their instructions to the letter. They are experienced at this kind of criminal behavior. Some people are afraid to phone, and many may carry on a conversation. The more one talks, the more this individual will harass you. Do not listen, but as I mentioned before, hang up immediately without delay.

My nephew Doug who is employed by the Bell Telephone Company remarked to me that Bell receives thousands of such calls each day in the U.S. Pass the word along to all of your friends and I personally appreciate it, more than I can express in words.

Thank you.

Peggy Sanday
November 16, 2000

Women's soccer enjoys support

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Progress at our "rape-prone" school

Let's talk about rape. I take that back. Let's talk about why we don't talk about rape.

This editorial is not belated, because we must make sure that whatever sexual assault awareness, as related to this campus, lasts longer than one week.

Last Monday, anthropologist and rape researcher Peggy Sanday informed the student body of her discoveries about rape occurrences at universities. The next day I was talking to a friend, senior Eric Glass and mentioned her lecture. Before I could summarize her findings, Eric interrupted me. "I bet this campus is the perfect example of a "rape-prone" campus," he said. I was shocked. Not because of what Eric said, but because I asked Peggy Sanday, Glass is right. Her description of a "rape-prone" campus was frighteningly close to Notre Dame.

Let's look at Sanday's criteria for classifying a "rape-prone" campus. Importance of athletics at Notre Dame, love of sports, binge drinking (no way, Molly's is so popular), emphasis on all-male groups (130 years as an all male school in a short period of time), homophobia (didn't they just pass that new policy?) and administration and religious stances that tend to promote silence (um ... I am going to Res Life for that?).

It is understandable that one might feel the subject of sexual assault isn't applicable enough to be a hot topic at Notre Dame, but there are new ways to consider rape that expand its operational definition. The "stranger in the bushes" cliché is seldom apropos these days. In fact, stranger rape on college campuses is almost nonexistent. Acquaintance rape, on the other hand, incorporates many types of incidents that are strongly connected to campus life, such as an unfortunat­ely stranger at a party scene, the casual friend scene and even the dating scene. When it comes to stranger rape or acquaintance rape, the psychological effects on her are devastating. In fact, those who feel their negative sexual experience doesn't constitute rape "rape reports Martin D. Schwartz from Violence Against Women.

In other words, when a girl is too drunk to say no and is too confused the next morning to know if she consented, her mental suffering will not be any less a girl who is raped by brute force. Entering the unfounded, ridiculous self-blame theory: the idea that women have no reason to claim rape because they couldn't control their own drinking. This connected to dangerous was when it comes from feminists, such as K. Roiphe, author of "The Morning After." Roiphe writes that "claims" for rape are basically a defense mechanism. The publication of a book received lots of attention even though she has no proof for her statements and wrote this book while a graduate student in English at Harvard University. In short, she's not a rape research expert and wasn't trained to be.

It is inadvisable that the acquaintance factor and the self-blame factor are seri­ously points of concern for universities. Our dialogue on the subject is too limit­ed. "Rape should not be considered a woman's issue; it is a man's issue too." Glass. Rape dialogue is assumed to be exclusive to a female forum. We can see other examples of this compartmental­izing in, for example, our major party poli­tical platforms. When canvassing on our critical, these platforms focus on "women's issues"—that is, domestic poli­cy and child care. Foreign policy, social issues and weapon control are not con­sidered "women's issues," as though women don't care about them or are too world­ly to participate in the debate. If rape were part of the larger, general forum, male awareness would surely decrease the likelihood of sexual assault. Talking can't help if talking isn't allowed. Are we sure of our own University's statistics? What we do know is still unclear. In 1998, Congress tough­ened the 1990 Gery Act requiring uni­versities to regularly post crime data. It added the potential fine for $25,000 for each unreported crime. However, if the cases are not handled in a court of law, they are not technically considered crimes. Almost every sexual assault case on our campus is handled in the Office of Residence Life. Sanday pointed out that the expense of how the "image of the institution mattered" is alarming.

In all fairness, the hush-hush treatment of rape is a trend that happens at universities all over the country. It is usually the senior administrators, not the campus police, who want to hide this stuff," says S. Daniel Carter, vice president of Security on Campus Inc. "No one wants to look bad. And no one wants to go first." This is no excuse for hiding the facts, howev­er. We shouldn't keep promoting the Myth of the Flawless Bubble. And again in all fairness, many rape survivors will not talk either.

Sandy warned that silence is the worst thing of all. Victims need to look for help from the administration, newspapers, police, friends and courts or counselors. I will always remember a friend of mine who struggled with the negative labeling the athletic division of our student government.

Helping all students is essential, in particular the resi­dents of Residence Life. This editorial is not belated, because it's open to all post graduation offers and if anyone is interested in her services, she can be reached at Morehouse, B1nd ed.

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**ALBUM REVIEW**

**Blink 182 finds success with mix of new and old**

By BRIAN KORN Mann

Blink 182 has traveled an unusual road to success within the music industry, and its latest album, The Mark, Tom and Travis Show, stands as a live collaboration of its musical and comedic efforts along the way.

Formed in 1993 by friends Mark Hoppus and Tom Delonge, the San Diego punk trio developed a rapid underground following based on their insane live shows and raw energy. The band's hard work in the underground punk scene led to a friendship with the very Blink-esque punk icons, Vandals. Under the Vandals supervision, Blink released its first album, Buddha, on cassette only in 1994.

Following the release of Buddha, Blink began touring heavily with the likes of the Vandals. The band spent considerable time overseas, particularly in Australia, where it developed a very large fan base that would pay its dividends over the next three years. Based on its growing reputation and overseas popularity, Cargo records signed Blink to a one album deal in early 1995. Cheshire Cat was released in late 1995, and for the first time, the band gained national exposure with such hits as "D'Amira," "Voyeur," the band gained even more national exposure with the release of the band's second album, Blink 182, in late 1997. Released the album Dude Ranch under the new name, Dude Ranch

**The Mark, Tom and Travis Show**

The album is captured from 1999 live shows in both San Francisco and Los Angeles and mainly features songs from Enema of the State, intermixed with some songs off the Dude Ranch and Cheshire Cat. The album also contained the previously unreleased track Man Overboard.

For a live album, The Mark, Tom and Travis Show is about as good as one can come. The release captures Blink's sound very well and also does an excellent job of conveying the raw energy of a Blink 182 show.

Perhaps its best feature is the excessively crude, vulgar and disgusting commentary made by the band throughout the album. From guest appearances, such as the voice of Satan, to repeated requests for crowd nudity and bowel function wisecracks, the release captures the hilarity that has always been associated with Blink 182's live show.

In 1998, Blink signed another deal, one decided weakness of the album is their over-reliance on the new, watered-down, pop-punk Blink 182 songs from Enema of the State. Among many Blink 182 fans, Enema is recognized as the band's weakest release because of its poppy nature, and the amazing wonders of Carson Daly and TRL) gross national overexposure.

Overall, the album is good but does not stack up to the live albums released by the Pixies, NOFX, Less Than Jake or Pearl Jam in recent years. Nonetheless, the album will appeal to both hardcore fans and to the newer Blink 182 fans as well. For fans who have some money to spare and consider Blink 182, the Mark, Tom and Travis Show would not be a bad investment.

**ALBUM REVIEW**

**Reflection embodies next step for hip-hop**

By ADRIENNE THOMPSON

*Scene Music Critic*

Mas-ter-piece 1 mas-ter-pes\n: an outstanding work of art or craft; something superlative of its kind.

The simple, succinct definition above speaks volumes about Reflection Eternal, the latest album from Rawkus Records featuring lyricist Talib Kweli and producer DJ Hi-TEK. As major members of the unique mainstream-underground scene which, according to Kweli, is "breaking the surface quite like an alligator now," this duo has successfully detached itself from the blatant repetitiveness and foolishness present in commercial rap today, supporting the intelligence of its underground counterpart at the same time. Reflection Eternal showcases Kweli's concern with black consciousness, history and enlightenment. Hi-TEK employs an eclectic range of beats and scratches for each track, making the album a mosaic of themes and sounds.

The album begins with "Move Something," in which Kweli dismisses other rappers, proclaiming, "To be continued. Let's see what's on the menu run up in you!" Lyrics that he fu**'n with you in the mental! Pick any mental: instru, funda, deta, etc., extra large..."

Here, Hi-TEK's production complements Kweli's style and delivery perfectly, emphasizing the force and magnitude of his words. On the exceptional "This Means You," Talib and Mos Def, his partner from the Rawkus-borne duo Black Star, display their inherent chemistry and artistic compatibility. Where Mos Def is forceful and loud, Kweli is subdued and composed. Their verbal exchanges include numerous allusions to the boroughs of New York, childhood memories and their superior skills. Hi-TEK employs the floating beauty of strings, making the track all the more perfect.

Next is the haunting "Too Late," in which Kweli questions the present status of hip-hop, saying: "Nowadays rap artists coming half-hearted/ Commercial like pop or underground like black market/ Where were you the day hip-hop died? Is it too early to mourn, is it too late to ride?"

Here, he argues that there is a definite inconsistency in today's rap and also subtly positions himself in the "neutral" category of an underground artist who is commercially well received but not quite mainstream.

This status allows artists such as Mos Def, Pharoah Monch, Dilated Peoples and Common, among others, to rest comfortably with their fame and success without feeling that they have sold out or that they have foolishly diminished the quality of their music for popularity's sake.

In keeping in line with the trend of hip-hop collaborations, Kweli seeks the aid of the highly esteemed group De La Soul to energize "Masterpiece." A track tinged by Hi-TEK, with a reggae feel, the angelic voice of the French duo Les Nubians, softens the well-written "Love Language," which preaches the universality of love and emotion.

Although those music fans that fall squarely within either of Kweli's aforementioned categories — extreme commercial or radical underground — may sleep on this album, there is something to be said about riding the line. Talib and Hi-TEK have successfully combined the Lynchism and enlightenment of underground rap with some of the best and themes of more mainstream artists.

Ultimately, they create an album that could easily spark a revolutionary change in the blatant stratification of music and status in the hip-hop world.
**ALBUM REVIEW**

**Forever abandons ‘girl power’ for lame imitation**

By TIM BODONY

Scene Music Writer

A picture is worth a thousand words, or in this case, a thousand notes. True to that rule, the first time I saw Ben Folds Five perform live was at Chapel Hill, N.C. I said they have accomplished as much as they could, and after six great years of music, it is time to move on. The three individuals (Ben Folds, Darren Jessee on drums, and T.J. Hsiang on bass) already have a solid oeuvre including four releases and even a box set. Gen-X fans who enjoyed the band’s stellar albums and incredible live shows should not be surprised. Although they only had one radio hit in the single “Brick,” Ben Folds had a loyal fan base and packed clubs across the nation. Surprisingly, Song/505 was less than exciting by the low sales of an album that set trends, or at least inspired the virtues of “girl power.” Forever is more than the advertised talent of the band’s lackluster success selling well over 200,000 in its limited release. Notable tracks include the anthemic “Philosophy,” the peppy “Where’s Summer?” and the live favorite “Underground.” The closing track, “Epoch,” has been covered by Bette Midler.

The album captures the band’s ability to be both charming and funny. The song’s lyrics are so good that when I heard their song for the first time, I said, “Wow, they are good.” The second time I heard it, I said, “Wow, they are even better.” The third time I heard it, I said, “Wow, they are the best.”

The songs on this disc showcase the band’s spontaneity and playfulness. The quintessential The Last Polka basically sums up the band’s ability to be charming and funny. The song’s lyrics are so good that when I heard their song for the first time, I said, “Wow, they are good.” The second time I heard it, I said, “Wow, they are even better.” The third time I heard it, I said, “Wow, they are the best.”

The Unlawful Biography of Reinhold Messner (1999)

Reinhold Messner was the band’s crowning achievement. Although the song is not as good as the band’s best work, it is still piano-based, the band experimented with a wide array of keyboards and new sounds. A string section and even a horn section found its way into the mix with “Don’t Change Your Plans.”

This release was the closest Ben Folds Five ever came to pop domination. Unfortunately, the rest of us are. The beauty of Forever is that it is openly judged itself. The lyrics repeatedly show signs of self-awareness, with the Spicers trying to justify their continued existence at some times, and practically calling out for help at other times. “Right Back At Ya” tries to plead their case, insisting that “there’ve been tears along the way but we’re still the best of friends” and that they are “not forgetting the days when we were all young.”

But the music fails to validate these claims. Far from vigorously asserting their return to pop dominance, this song hits about as hard as a plastic hammer.

The best revelations surface in the song “Tell Me Why,” a face-lift of just about every Janet, Jackson song ever written, still admittedly catchy. The girls cry out “tell me why oh why did we end up this way,” and if the references to Bono’s departure were not already apparent, then merely listen on “Tell me why did you feel you couldn’t stay? But we could have stayed together—but you wanted it this way.” That pretty much sums it up.

**FEATURE COLUMN**

Ben Folds Five bids fond farewell to music scene

A few weeks ago, Ben Folds Five — arguably the most underappreciated band of the 90s, decided to call it quits. The five-member band from Chapel Hill, N.C. said they have accomplished as much as they could, and after six great years of music, it is time to move on. The three individuals (Ben Folds, Darren Jessee on drums, and T.J. Hsiang on bass) already have a solid oeuvre including four releases and even a box set. Gen-X fans who enjoyed the band’s stellar albums and incredible live shows should not be surprised.

However, the reason for the band’s departure is not as clear. Folds called its music “the best Ben Folds Five song of all time, and "Army" proved that they could still rock.”

The Darren Jessee penned "Magic," explores the loss of loved ones, and "Mess," focuses on low self-esteem. This release may be the best album of 1999. All in all, the band’s best work.

The Live Performances

Ben Folds Five was not a jam band. It was simply a great live band that injected its album tunes with energy. The first time I saw the band back in 1997, I believe what was going on. Here were these three greedy guys armed with a piano, bass and drums, jamming up a storm on stage. They played too many fairy lights, electric guitars or corporate sponsorship — just amazing music in its most raw form. Of course, the band would play live a healthy dose of their album material along with the band’s "Theme From Dr. Pyser." A wide range of covers included "She's Not The Only One," "Storm in a teacup," "She Don’t Use Jelly," "Video Killed the Radio Star" and "Freebird.

Every other time I saw the band perform there was the same result. But the crowd would go absolutely nuts and I would be in another world. I have often told people that Ben Folds Five could play the same set every night and I would still go to the show because it really wasn’t about the songs themselves. It was more about the band having a good time doing what they loved to do and sharing their experiences with their fans; they would meet along the way.

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By MIKE CONNOLLY
Sports Writer

A possible Bowl Champion- ship Series bowl hangs in the balance as the Irish travel to Los Angeles to battle the USC Trojans Saturday. But a chance to win in the Coliseum for the first time since 1992 and lock up that BCS bid isn’t the only reason the Irish are anxious to hop on a plane to the West Coast.

"This is crazy weather out there," senior captain Dan O’Leary said after Saturday’s indoor practice in the Loftus Sports Center. "I love the snow and everything like that, but it is going to be nice to get out to California and the warm weather.

"California’s perpetually warm weather, the Irish have received a cold reception from the Trojans in the last three trips west. In 1994, the Men of Troy snapped an 11-game losing streak with a 17-16 win. The Trojans ended their 13-game winless streak against the Irish when Notre Dame returned in 1996. USC won 27-20 in overtime and ended Notre Dame’s championship hopes for the BCS bowl. The loss also ended USC head coach Lou Holtz’s career at Notre Dame.

Bob Davie led the Irish back to the BCS bowl with a BCS bid on the line in 1998, but without starting quarterback Jerious Grant, the offense sputtered as Notre Dame was shutout for the first time since 1987, 10-0.

O’Leary remembers the defeated feeling he had walking off the field in 1998, but said the past will not play a part in Saturday’s game.

"It was pretty disturbing (losing in 1998) but we don’t like to look too much to the past, the fifth-year senior said. "What’s done is done. We have USC at home this week and are going to make the same mistakes we made in 98. We want to win that.

"We are not the same as they were in 1998. We have a better run-stopping team in 2001."

This year’s match-up appears to be a mismatch. USC is unranked with a 5-6 record and no chance for a bowl bid. USC’s only starting linebacker, the ranked No. 11 in the latest BCS, could possibly be eligible for a BCS bowl and will most likely be selected for either the Fiesta or Sugar Bowls. A loss would send the Irish back to the Gator Bowl in Jacksonville.

The Irish are not concerned about the BCS implications of the game or the history of the series. O’Leary said they are completely focused on this week’s game and this week’s preparation.

"We can’t control what happens with the (BCS) so we are trying to control what we can right now," he said. "We’ve got USC. It’s our last game of the season. We are just focusing on the things we can control — the way we play, the way we execute. After that game we will talk about the BCS.

In addition to the BCS-hopes dashing upsets in 1996 and 1998, USC has locally played the Irish tough as underdogs. In the 13 games where a ranked Notre Dame team took on an unranked USC team, the Trojans were six wins and tied twice.

Though the Trojans upset bid this year is sophomore quarterback Carson Palmer. Palmer rushed for a 2-yard touchdown in USC’s 1998 win. Palmer was red-shirted in 1999 after breaking his collarbone in the third game of the season and missed the Trojans Notre Dame game.

Despite starting just 19 games, Palmer is the fifth-leading passer in USC history. This year Palmer has completed 55.5 percent of his passes for 2,663 yards and 14 touchdowns. Palmer is a threat through the air and on the ground, however, as he has tossed 16 on the season. With starting corner back Shaun Walton out and top reserve Clifford Jefferson slowed by an injury, Palmer could pose a stiff test to the depleted Irish secondary.

Palmer will hand off to sophomore tailback Touchdown McCullah who has rushed for more than 1,000 yards and scored six touchdowns this year.

Sophomore Karem接收s Kelly leads the USC receiving corps with 51 catches and three touchdowns.

In addition, the Irish have received a cold reception from the Trojans on their last visit to the Coliseum. USC has lost to Notre Dame in 13 of 19 all-time meetings, but the only reason the Irish are at the Coliseum this week is because both teams have already been selected for the BCS bowl games.

Senior Joe Gethersall breaks loose from a Rutgers tackle and scores a touchdown. He played an key role in the Irish victory over the Scarlet Knights.

The Irish do not enter the game injury-free either. Senior tight end Jabari Holloway will miss the game with a sprained knee. Davie hopes Holloway will return for the bowl game.

If the Irish manage to break their losing streak in the Coliseum Saturday, Davie can see only one possible destination for the Irish — a BCS bowl.

"If we were 9 and 2, and you are darn right I think we deserve to go. I think there would be a bunch of people that would like to have us because we are an improving team," he said. "If you look at our football team a month from now which is when those BCS bowl games are played, we are going to be a darn good football team. A month from now, with the young players we have and quarterback who now has what amounts to a spring work out, and getting all our players healthy, we will be a pretty good football team a month from now."
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The Rite of Welcome gives all of us an opportunity to encourage these men and women as they continue with the Catholic faith community in the Rite ofWelcome. These men and women have met together the past several months to explore their faith and the Catholic Church, but with a certain wariness as well. Catholicism when seen as something quaint and old-fashioned spoils our ability to convey the Gospel. All of the trappings of Catholicism have one single purpose—to draw us into a relationship with Jesus and the Kingdom he preached and made real. It is my hope in this column to polish some of the old furniture in the attic by drawing out the connections between the stuff of Catholicism and the Lord it seeks to reveal.

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CLUB SPORTS

Women's water polo finishes 2-0-1 in preseason tuneup

Determined to improve upon its seventh place national ranking of a year ago, the women's water polo club hosted a preseason round robin at Rolfs Aquatics Center this past weekend. Notre Dame defeated Bowling Green in the opener 9-4, tied Purdue 10-10 in the second round and throttled Northwestern in the weekend finale 17-4.

Twelve players scored to demonstrate the team's depth. Veterans such as junior captain Liz Parolin, who fired in seven goals, and Meg Daday, who not only played exceptional defense but also rocketed the ball into the net from six meters out, were complemented by several promising freshmen. Vickie Barone played fierce defense, while fellow frosh Allison Genko lit up the scoreboard with 10 goals. Added to the mix next semester will be last year's leading scorer, Lauren Kuzniar, who is currently studying in London.

The club will open Midwest Conference play in early February at Ohio University.

Men's volleyball

A short-handed volleyball club playing without several starters continued to show development and promise in the Back to the Hardwood Classic at Michigan State this weekend.

In opening pool play, the Irish split four tightly contested three-game matches, beating Iowa State and Lewis before succumbing to Northwestern and Ball State. The third place finish qualified the Irish for the Division I Silver tournament bracket in the 41-school field.

Outside hitter Adam Schreier's hitting and passing, coupled with Hob Smith's blocking and serving and John Linzer's versatile play, kept the Irish competitive.

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Shoulder injury puts season on hold for Nixon

By NOREEN GILLESPIE
Sports Writer

Senior Carrie Nixon watched her teammates board the bus to Bloomington, Ind., Thursday as the women's swimming and diving team left on a weekend trip to the Indiana Invitational. Loaded down with heavy swim bags slung over their shoulders and high expectations for the competition, the squad left eager to compete in one of the biggest invitational they would compete in during the regular season.

But as the bus pulled away from campus, it left the senior sprinter and co-captain on the sidewalk, waving goodbye to a season.

During the regular season, they would compete to compete in one of the biggest of an athlete as she handled it extremely well," said Bailey Weathers, head coach. "It's hard to be as competitive of an athlete as she is and be out for any period of time. But she's probably handling this better than anyone I've ever been around."

"I don't even know if it's hit me yet," Nixon said last week. "I think it hit me a little more when the bus left, because I couldn't be there swimming with or supporting the team because it was too soon after the surgery."

Nixon, one of the most decorated swimmers in Notre Dame history, came off the best season in her collegiate career last March by placing second in the 50-yard freestyle at NCAA Championships. Earlier in the season, she had earned the title of Big East Swimmer of the Year for her performances at the Big East Championships, where she helped lead the Notre Dame squad to its fourth consecutive conference title.

But the co-captain, who had not competed yet this season to preserve her year of eligibility, will return next season as a fifth-year senior. And she doesn't mind putting this year on hold if it means she can come back to Notre Dame. "It's important to all the kids on the team that her health is a concern right now. I think they'd much rather see her get well than try to push through the season," Nixon said.

Nixon is determined to remain an active leader on the team, however, as she faces the challenge of fulfilling her role as co-captain for the rest of the season. After turning to football captain Grant Irons, who was sidelined earlier in the season, for advice, Nixon has made some realizations about her situation and her role on the team.

"I still see myself as a captain, as a role model, as a leader," Nixon said. "I don't see my role as changing at all that much...but all of a sudden you have to switch your role on the team from action to support."

"I just told her not to get overwhelmed by this injury," Irons said. "It's very easy to get down on yourself and get negative but I just told her to think of the positives. Since we both have the same injury, we are going to preserve and get through this injury together."

As Nixon embarks on an intensive physical therapy program for the next several months and looks forward to shedding her sling, she will begin to re-evaluate her goals for next season. Remaining optimistic, Nixon doesn't think the surgery should set her back — and expects to be right on track this time next year.

And part of her is thankful she has a little bit of extra time at Notre Dame.

"When the seniors go off and get jobs, I'll still be going to school...and that's something that I couldn't pass up. The pros outweigh the cons by far. I've been offered another year of college — everyone wants that."
**WOMEN’S BASKETBALL**

Belles split weekend games at Wellesley College tourney

By KATIE McVOY
Assistant Sports Editor

This weekend provided the Saint Mary’s basketball team with the springboard it needed to get this season off to a good start.

The Belles flew to Boston to take part in the Wellesley College Invitational, where they broke even. Saint Mary’s lost to tournament winner Wellesley 85-45 on Saturday, but came back to dominate Johnson and Wales University 66-28 on Sunday.

“Current senior Wellesley defender Kristen Matha led the team in scoring with 10 points and also checked in for third in the 1,650-yard freestyle, were in a better place in their season. They kind of Musgrave earning third place in the 400-yard individual medley and also checked in for third in the 100-yard breaststroke.

The Belles boast four players in double digits.

Soнаe center Kristen Matha had a tough start against Wellesley. The Blue opened the game with a 12-0 run that forced the Belles to play catch-up for the rest of the game.

“We had to try and fight back the whole game,” Norman said. “And they had the home court advantage.”

The Wellesley defense overwhelmed Saint Mary’s early on, and the Belles never came back. The veteran Wellesley team took its toll on the young Saint Mary’s team.

“They had great senior leadership,” Norman said. “They talked it up on defense and we were intimidated because that’s how we usually play.”

Matha led the team in scoring with 11 points. Anne Blair and Russell each scored 10 points for the team.

Following Saturday’s loss, the Belles scouted the next day’s competition. Although Johnson and Wales boasted two All-Americans on its team, that didn’t stum the Belles’ confidence.

“Watching [Johnson and Wales] on Saturday gave us the confidence that we could win,” Norman said.

And win they did.

The Belles came out strong and never let up intensity the entire game. Saint Mary’s took the entire game, leading by as many as 34 points.

“From the tip off to the final buzzer we never lost our intensity,” Norman said. “To anyone watching, we were a completely different team. We were confident.”

The Belles boasted four players in double figures on Sunday. Blair racked up 14 points for the team, joined by Norman, Matha and freshman Leighann Matesich who also scored in double digits.

With one win under its belt, Saint Mary’s is looking forward to games over Thanksgiving holidays.

“Sunday’s over and we have to move forward,” Norman said.

The Belles will face off against Franklin College on Wednesday, enjoy the holiday, and then travel to Marietta, Ohio for a four-team tournament next weekend.

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**WOMEN’S SWIMMING AND DIVING**

Irish dive into second place

By NOREEN GILLESPIE
Sports Writer

Powered by the breakout performances of Marie Labosky, the Irish women’s swimming and diving team charmed to a second place finish at the Indiana Invitational this weekend.

The freshman, won three events on the weekend, combined to be the Irish women’s top point scorer.

Labosky’s performances were the highlight of the weekend, beginning with her first win on Friday.

Labosky clocked in for first place once the first day of competition, capturing the 200-yard individual medley in two minutes, 5.21 seconds. She followed suit in Saturday’s competition, securing a win in the 400-yard individual medley with more than five seconds and breaking a 10-year old Notre Dame school record. Labosky tallied another win in the 1,600-yard freestyle, and also checked in for third in the 500 freestyle and seventh in the 200-yard backstroke.

“She was in a situation that was pretty competitive for her,” said women’s head coach Bailey Weathers. “She’s a pretty aerobic athlete, and where most of the other girls were broken down, she was still capable of swimming some great races.”

Even after an intense period of training, Labosky’s performances were still surprising. Weathers said.

“Her 400 IM was a bit of a surprise,” he said. “I knew she could break the record this year, but I didn’t expect her to do that this weekend.”

Indiana University won the event by a 200-point margin over the Irish by the conclusion of Sunday’s races. Indiana held onto a firm lead from the first day of competition, when it outdistanced Notre Dame by approximately 100 points. Notre Dame finished second as a team, followed by Miami of Ohio.

“They’re a team similar to ours — they’re deep and good in diving,” Weathers said.

“When you get into a situation where you’re behind, it’s hard to overcome that. We probably were where we thought we would be — as a team, they were in a better place in their season. They kind of pointed to this as their big meet in the same way we’d point to the Notre Dame Invitational as our big meet.”

Irish had several individual standouts on the weekend.

Other first place finishes included junior Allison Lloyd with a win in the 100-yard breaststroke. Lloyd narrowly missed posting another first place finish in the 200-yard breaststroke after posting the fastest qualifying time during prelims. But her evening performance barely succumbed to Miami’s Courtney Caples, falling by only three-hundredths of a second.

Junior Kelly Hecking posted a second place in the 100-yard backstroke Friday, clocking in at 2:01.07. She completed her backstroke dominance in the meet with a win in the 200 backstroke Sunday, out-touching Indiana’s Susan Woessner in 2:05.48.

Junior diver Heather Mattingly put up impressive performances from the boards, winning second place on the on the three-meter board and third on the one-meter board. Mattingly barely slipped past Miami’s Katie Beth Bryant on the three meter board, posting a score of 490.00.

Labosky’s classmates Laurie Musgrave and Lisa Garcia also posted solid finishes on the weekend, with Musgrave earning third place in the 100 breaststroke and fifth in the 200 breaststroke. Garcia won second in the 100 butterfly and sixth in the 200, and also placed fifth in the 200 individual medley.

Freshmen Sarah Bowman and Danielle Hulick assisted Hecking and Lloyd in a second place 200-yard medley relay finish Sunday.
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WOMEN’S BASKETBALL

Irish face quality competition in holiday tounry

By TIM CASEY
Assistant Sport Editor

While most of their classmates rest, the No. 5 women’s basketball team faces its first test this weekend in the Coaches vs. Cancer tournament in Madison, Wis. Notre Dame opens against No. 19 Wisconsin in the second half of a doubleheader on Wednesday night. The other contest pits No. 6 Georgia against No. 22 Oklahoma.

"This is like an NCAA tournament subregional," coach Muffet McGraw said. "We’ve got some great teams.

In the first four games — including a pair of exhibitions — the Irish have outscored their opponents by an average of nearly 34 points per game. But the Bulldogs, the 2000 Women’s National Invitational Tournament champions, will pose problems for the Irish.

Wisconsin enters the game with a 1-1 record after losing to Oregon 71-57 and defeating Elon College 102-49 in last week’s Blowout Gala at the U.S. Cellular Center in Asheville, N.C.

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Muffet McGraw Irish head coach

More aggressive this year,

Although Riley receives most of the publicity, two other Irish players have turned in strong beginnings of the season. Senior point guard Niele Ivey, the team’s emotional leader, according to McGraw, scored 12 points and had 10 assists against Valparaiso. On Monday night, the St. Louis native tallied 34 points and dished off 11 assists.

But in the first two games, sophomore Alicia Ratay has been the biggest scoring contributor. She has shot over 68 percent from the field, including 13 for 15 on 3-pointers, and averaged 23 points per contest.

"Niele’s just a great, great floor leader for our team," McGraw said. "She’s played extremely well. And when you’ve got Alicia Ratay on the 3-point line and Ruth Riley on the block, you’ve got some great options.

If the Irish defeat the Bulldogs, they may face a talented Georgia squad. The Miller twins — Coco and Kelly — are among the nation’s best players. The senior guard averaged 21.9 points per game last year.

"I know what that feels like going up to Hartford and playing in front of a big crowd," said McGraw, who has never beaten UConn in 11 tries. "(Connecticut’s) a great team. I’m surprised Georgia dropped because I think they’re still a very good team and probably should be ranked higher than they are.

The tournament final will be televised by ESPN on Friday following the 1:30 p.m. consolation game.

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**SOFTBALL**

Irish sign three versatile players to Class of 2005

Special to The Observer

The Notre Dame softball team has announced three new additions to its program. Megan Ciolli, Annie Dell’Aria and Carrie Wisen have signed letters of intent to attend Notre Dame beginning in the fall of 2003.

"We are expecting all three of them to come in and have an immediate impact on the team," said Irish head coach Liz Miller. "We believe all three have the talent to contribute from their first day on campus.

Indiana native Ciolli is in a three-sport standout (softball, basketball and soccer) at North Vigo High School in Terre Haute, Ind. A three-time Most Valuable Player on the softball team, Ciolli has been named all-conference and all-county all three years at North Vigo. She also earned all-state honors in 2000 and was the state home run champion in 1999. "She has primarily played third base in her career, but she is enough of an athlete that she can make the switch to the outfield," Miller said. "That is what makes her such an asset. She has a lot of ability to move around and play a lot of positions."

Ciolli smacked 37 consecutive hits in 2000 and posted a .506 batting average. She also boasts a .543 career batting average and 55 stolen bases.

"It was the school I wanted to attend from the beginning," Ciolli said. "The atmosphere is great and the opportuni­ties that Notre Dame provides are unparalleled."

Dell’Aria hails from Fairfax, Va., and is a two-sport athlete (softball and vol­leyball) at Bishop O’Connell High School. Dell’Aria helped the team to an unde­feated record in 1998 and helped the team extend its string of consecutive conference championships to seven in 2000. The team also was nationally ranked in ‘98 and ‘99.

"The first word that comes to mind with Annie is ‘power batter,’” Miller said. "Her primary position is catcher, so she might switch to a different position next year because Jarrah Myers [Notre Dame’s current starting catcher] will be a senior."

Dell’Aria was named the Washington Catholic Athletic Conference Player of the Year in 2000 and was a first-team all-state selection as well. She posted a .522 batting average last season with 29 RBI and a team-best 36 hits.

"It is a dream come true to sign with Notre Dame,” Dell’Aria said.

A four-year letter winner at Senora High School in La Habra, Calif., Wisen is an all-freeway league pick in 1999 and 2000 and led Senora to the league championship both years as well.

"Carrie is very strong," Miller said. "Her best pitch is the change up and the drop curve. Because of her strength, she has the ability to come in, throw hard, and learn a lot of pitches."

Wisen went 6-1 in 2000 and posted a 0.39 ERA for the season.

"The feeling of actually finishing the signing process is great," Wisen said.

**WOMEN’S SOCCER**

Santa Clara seeks to stand in way of San Jose

Special to The Observer

The top-ranked Notre Dame women’s soccer team (22-0-1) will face a familiar foe in next week’s NCAA quarterfinal round, as Santa Clara advanced on Saturday afternoon with a 2-1 overtime win at BYU.

Notre Dame will be making its seventh straight appearance in the NCAA quarter­finals, while Santa Clara will be making its ninth trip to the quarterfinals and sixth in the last seven years.

Santa Clara has faced Notre Dame five times during the last six seasons (Notre Dame holds a 3-2-0 series edge), including three meetings in the last 13 months. The Irish dropped a 4-2 game at Santa Clara’s Buck Shaw Stadium on Oct. 17, 1999, before avenging that defeat with a 1-0 win over the top-ranked Broncos in the 1999 NCAA semifinals.

Notre Dame posted a 6-1 win over a depleted Santa Clara squad earlier this season, on the first day of Notre Dame’s Key Bank Classic.

Santa Clara (16-6-1) — which gained one of 24 at-large berths in the NCAA’s — is riding a five-game winning streak, including a 2-0-second-round win at California to eliminate the eighth-seeded Golden Bears.

NCAA Notes

◆ Notre Dame, North Carolina and Connecticut are the only teams to advance to the NCAA quarterfinals every season since 1994.

◆ Since Notre Dame began sponsoring varsity women’s soccer in 1988, just three schools have advanced to more quarter­finals than Notre Dame’s seven: North Carolina, Connecticut and Santa Clara.

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**Thanks for a Great Season, Coaches!**
High-scoring Irish stress improved defense before break

By KATHLEEN O'BRIEN Associate Sports Editor

The Notre Dame men's basketball team knows it can score following its 104-point output against Sacred Heart. In this week’s games with Loyola (Chicago) Wednesday and No. 17 Cincinnati Saturday, it wants to prove it can play its new man-to-man defense as well.

"Offensively, we know we’re going to score points," Junior small forward David Graves said. "Defensively, we need to get better. There are a lot of things that people can work at. Some people are picking it up [man-to-man] quicker than others, but I definitely believe that there’s improvement."

The Irish (1-0) feature an explosive offense led by All-American power forward Troy Murphy and All-Big Ten transfer Ryan Humphrey, both are prone to eye-catching dunks. Both players can also hit 3-pointers, but better known for their perimeter shooting are clutch shooters Graves and Matt Carroll, along with point guard Martin Ingelsby.

In No. 16 Notre Dame’s attempt to move into the ranks of the nation's elite programs, a game against a program like Indiana. Vanderbilt. Miami (Florida). Arizona. Purdue and Arizona. Miami (Ohio) and Kentucky by mid-January. "Those are some tough games," Graves said. "We need to establish ourselves early. We need to show not only our fans, but the country, that we deserve to be ranked where we are."

The Bearcats were one of the nation’s top teams a year ago, returning a 29-4 overall record. They lost in the second round of the NCAA tournament, but would likely have advanced further if top player Kenyon Martin, the No. 1 pick in the NBA draft by the New Jersey Nets, had not suffered a season-ending injury just before the tournament began.

Cincinnati returns head coach Bob Huggins, sophomore guard Kenny Satterfield and 6-13 sophomore center Donald Little. Satterfield scored a career-high 27 points in his school's season-opening 73-61 victory over Boise State. Both he and Little pulled down nine rebounds in the game.

This season's squad, while still expected to be strong, is missing several cogs in its team from a year ago. In addition to Martin, the Atlanta Hawks selected DerMarr Johnson as the No. 6 pick in the draft and Pete Mickeal went to the Dallas Mavericks as the No. 56 pick. "They lost their two best players, Kenyon Martin and DerMarr Johnson, so we’re not going to be intimidated by them," Murphy said. "Cincinnati’s always good, but they’re not going to be as good as last year."

Following the conclusion of the 1 p.m. Notre Dame-Cincinnati game, the second featured game of the day, between Purdue and Arizona.
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23 Mosque priests
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37 Wimbledon champion
52 Leader's predecessor
55 Big share
57 1952
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65 1970
67 Russia's sculptor
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70 Cabbagekale vegetable

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Irish do it again, take ninth at NCAAs

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They weren't even supposed to make it to the NCAA Championships. The Notre Dame men's cross country team lost four runners to graduation and All-American Ryan Shay to a redshirt season, leaving a sparse roster for head coach Joe Piane. Yet the Irish not only qualified for the national meet, their 10th since 1987.

The Irish finished ninth in the nation in Monday's NCAA Championships in Ames, Iowa, led by a seventh-place finish by junior Luke Watson, their top runner all season. Watson crossed the finish line in 30 minutes, 29.4 seconds.

Watson's improved dramatically since last season, when he placed 58th. Following a sluggish second-half performance in its season-opening win at Valparaiso Friday night, the Notre Dame women's basketball team dominated the University of Arizona for all 40 minutes Monday, showing a versatile inside-outside game while picking up a 95-65 victory. "I knew going in that Notre Dame probably had one of the best inside-outside games in the country," said Arizona head coach Joan Bonvicini. "I thought that was evident from the opening tip."

The Irish used the combined athleticism of All-American center Beth Welke — who scored 17 points in the game to go along with a team-leading seven rebounds — and sharp-shooting guard Alicia Ratay, who led all scorers with 26 points. Welke completed her second double-double in as many games with 14 points and 11 assists.

Notre Dame established its dominance early over Arizona — a team that reached the second round of last season's NCAA tournament before falling to eventual champion Tennessee. After taking the tip-off, Ratay missed her first shot of the game before forward Ericka Haney stole the ball as Arizona carried the ball upcourt.

Haney found Ratay open on the wing. The sophomore guard switched the opening shot to give the Irish the game's first points.

Following an Arizona miss, Ratay hit virtually the same shot that put the Irish up by six. Ratay's hot shooting continued throughout the first half, as she made all four of her field goal attempts — including three from downtown — to go along with a perfect four of four from the free-throw line to finish the half with 15 points. "We came out the first five minutes and really shut them down," said Irish head coach Muffet McGraw, "which was what we wanted to do. We shut the ball extremely well the whole game, but especially in the first half."

Also helping the Irish in their dominant first half — a half in which they led at one point by 30 before entering the locker room up 57-29 — was power forward Kelly Siemon. She scored 10 points and added five rebounds in the early half, while also exhibiting passing skills that set the Irish offense in motion.

"That first half was the best she has ever played," McGraw said of Siemon. "She was very involved in the offense. She rebounded, ran the floor well, she passed the ball."

Leading the Irish attack once again was fifth-year point guard Ivey. While she showed her accurate shooting touch, the 5-foot-7 Ivey also displayed a surprising inside game, scoring at will below the basket. Ivey feels her versatility adds to her leadership role on the team.

"As a leader I'm trying to get better every game," said Ivey. "We have so much talent that if I can get a game like this, I can carry the team as far."

After building the lead to 43 points following another Ratay 3-pointer with 14.07 left in the second half, McGraw gave her starters a rest and handed the game over to reserve players.

Despite losing against Arizona's starting lineup, the reserves held their own. Imani Polister finished with six points and three assists, while Monique Hernandez added five points and three assists. Amanda Barksdale scored four points while blocking four shots in 20 minutes.

"The best part of the game was that we got to rest the starters almost the entire second half," said McGraw. "I think any time that you can play a quality team like Arizona and rest your starters I think you have a great success."

Despite the dominating loss, Bonvicini feels that her team will learn from their experience of playing No. 5 Notre Dame. "No one likes to pack up a whooping like this, but I think we're going to be better because of it," she said.

The Irish next take on the court Wednesday evening in Madison, Wis., at the Coaches vs. Cancer Classic to take on Wisconsin in the first round of the tournament.