New Jersey teens donate ‘like champions’
High school classroom wins trip to Notre Dame through charity clothing drive

By KERRY SMITH  
News Writer

Michael Panarello was fast Thursday.
Donning his Oakcrest High track and field uniform, he placed in the long jump and finished with a quick enough time in the 100-meter dash to earn four varsity points for his New Jersey high school team. Those four points were good enough to give his team the edge and the win.

“I scored four points and we won the meet by three,” Panarello said with pride.

But Panarello wasn’t fast enough for several of his classmates. The senior’s track and field endeavors were holding up 24 of his classmates’ and two teachers’ weekend plans — a whirlwind road trip to Notre Dame.

While Panarello’s 100-meter race was over in seconds, his and his classmates’ trip lasted about 65 hours. But the plans for it started months ago.

Competing for charity
It all started in the fall when seniors Tara Penman and Kristen Schlachter proposed a project for their Social Studies seminar class. They wanted to organize a clothing drive to benefit less fortunate Africans through the Dakar World Peace Academy in Senegal.

They proposed a plan to make the drive a contest between Oakcrest’s homerooms and as incentive, let the winning class create its own day off. It was a tempting plan sure to create some competition, but Penman had no idea what a success the drive would be.

“The drive went so well,” Penman said. “Between all the homerooms we raised 1,500 items of clothing to send to Dakar. It took a lot of work but it was worth it.”

In the end, the drive raised more than 9,000 items of clothing for the Academy.

That work was made a lot easier by the idea of one man — health teacher Jack Bottinger.

The man with a plan
As the clothing drive got underway and donations were steady but not stellar, Bottinger had an idea. What if his homeroom class donated enough clothes to win the contest and then designed its day off around Notre Dame’s Blue-Gold football game? A three-day, 1,446-mile round trip wasn’t exactly what Penman had envisioned when she proposed the idea, but she and her classmates weren’t surprised.

“Mr. Bottinger is a complete and total ND fanatic,” Penman said.

Fellow senior Anitta Bailey agreed.

“We’re in his room playing the Notre Dame Fight Song all the time,” Bailey said. “Early in the morning he’s got it on every single day.”

Senior Matt Pieper knew how much the trip meant to Bottinger.

“He’s always talking about Notre Dame. And now he finally gets to take us,” Pieper said.

Bottinger, a longtime Notre Dame fan who has been out to Notre Dame several times, wanted to share the experience with his students and found an outlet to do it with the Dakar clothing drive contest.

“Notre Dame is really something special,” Bottinger said. “We walk into the Stadium and the yellow jackets attack you. Welcome to Notre Dame; they see VISIT/page 4

Oakcrest High students visit Notre Dame Stadium and football locker room during their trip to campus this weekend. Above, students pass by the famous “Champion” sign that hangs near the locker room.

Parietals fight sends students camping

By JASON McFARLEY  
News Editor

Paul Graham knows demonstrations can be a powerful tool. And he’s hoping this one will be.

Graham and two other Notre Dame students are rallying student support for a campus-wide campaign to take place on South Quad tonight. The event comes in response to Campus Life Council’s April 23 defeat of a resolution that would extend parietals from midnight to 1 a.m. during the week.

“I think it’s about time that we get together and say, ‘Hey, we disapprove of this,’” Graham said of parietals, the policy regulating visiting hours between members of the opposite sex.

The hours currently prohibit the presence of the opposite sex in residence hall rooms after midnight on weekdays and past 2 a.m. on Fridays and Saturdays.

Organizers, including sophomores Graham and Seth Wheeler and junior Michael Pfaff, are optimistic about a favorable turnout for tonight’s campaign.

“By coming out in here in full numbers, hopefully hall rectors and administrators will take notice that the parietal measure is something that’s important to students,” Graham said.

Last week, CLC members voted 10-6 in favor of pushing the visiting hours back to midnight. The measure fell a vote short of the majority needed for passage. Voting on the resolution was sharply divided; dissenting votes came from rectors and the lone administrator on the council, Bill Kirk, assistant vice president for student affairs.

The CLC approved a proposal that called for parietals to
Perpetual identity

The other day when I walked through LaFortune, I passed by the wall of fame and glanced up at the plaques listing all the names of different student leaders from Notre Dame’s past. On each plaque the little brass plate for the 2000-01 school year has been removed to the latest name can be added to the wall. And then the Observer Editor plaque and it sort of hit me right then. For as long as those plaques hang in LaFortune I will be remembered as the Editor of The Observer. My identity as Editor will be sealed in brass on the side of the student center.

But my identity as editor has been a permanent part of me since I was elected in March. In Notre Dame, anything I have done has not just been done by Mike Connolly but by Mike Connolly, Editor of The Observer.

My identity is permanent, I cannot choose to act as Mike Connolly, Editor and at other times, as Mike Connolly, Notre Dame junior.

All my identities are a part of me at all times. I am Editor of The Observer. I am a Notre Dame student. I am Irish Catholic. I am the son of Mike and Rochelle Connolly. I am a collection of many identities and all of those identities are permanently part of me.

Every one of my actions stems from my past experiences and every one of my actions reflects on my identities — for better or worse. If I do something stupid in my free time, it reflects poorly not only on Mike Connolly, American studies major, but on all of my identities.

So tonight, when I camp out on the quad with other Notre Dame students, I cannot claim to protest the actions of rectors and administrators solely as Mike Connolly, resident of Dillon 281. My entire identity will be on the quad and my actions will reflect on all my identities.

Student body president Brooke Norton and vice president Brian Moscona apparently do not share my view.

Last night, Norton told The Observer that she and Moscona would attend tonight’s sleepout to protest past actions — but not as student government officials. This is impossible. As student leaders, they cannot shirk their identities.

Norton and Moscona are always the president and vice president, not Brian and Brooke. They won the students’ trust and earned the right to serve as president and vice president. They earned a new identity — one that cannot be casually shrugged off.

Whether they are passing resolutions in student senate, taking notes in government class, eating a cheeseburger in Reekers or protesting the CLC on campus, they choose to take part in the protest. They may wake up about three hours later, she was naked and the men were getting dressed, he said. Willis did not have any other information about the incident, which was reported Wednesday, but said it remains under investigation.

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Protesters strengthen positions at Harvard

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. Nearly 700 peaceful protesters armed with posters and noisemakers crowded outside Mass. Hall at Harvard Thursday afternoon in the largest rally in the six years, while inside the occupied building members of the Progressive Student Leader Movement (PSLM) continued their second day of talks with administrators.

The rally featured speeches from local politicians, Harvard workers and faculty members, and attracted an unprecedented media presence with all three major networks descending on the Yard to film stories for Thursday night’s evening news.

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MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

Rape remains under investigation

A 19-year-old Michigan State University student told police she was raped on campus by two male friends.

The student said she had been drinking and playing cards with the men at about 1:30 a.m. and had passed out. MSU police Detective Tony Willis said. When she woke up three hours later, she was naked and the men were getting dressed, he said. Willis did not have any other information about the incident, which was reported Wednesday, but said it remains under investigation.

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College Spring Day showcases campus for prospects

By EMILY WELSH

School News Writer

Saint Mary’s hosted its annual Spring Day on Campus Sunday, giving prospective high school seniors, juniors and college transfer students a chance to visit campus and learn about the school.

The highlight event for both the prospective students and their parents were the panel discussions.

“The panel discussions give the students and parents an opportunity to ask questions they would not be able to ask or get answered in a viewbook,” said freshmen Jaclyn Thompson, a panelist with her mother.

There were separate panels for prospective students and their parents to learn more about the school.

The panel for the prospective students included representatives from student government, diversity board and class officers.

Many concerns from the prospects revolved around campus involvement and the social life at Saint Mary’s. Kristen Matha, student body vice president, explained the role of the existing student government bodies, such as the Board of Governance, Residence Hall Association and the Student Diversity Board.

One prospective student questioned the interaction between Notre Dame and Saint Mary’s.

“We do have a lot of social activities with Notre Dame on the weekends, but you do not have to participate in them,” said Colleen Collins. “BOG will bring movies to campus, and Flipside, a non-alcoholic social group that exists at SMC, ND and Holy Cross, holds events each weekend. There are plenty of social opportunities on this campus as well as with Holy Cross and ND.”

Prospects were also questioned about the Catholic character of Saint Mary’s and how non-Catholics would be accepted.

People did not impose on me their faith,” said Akmaral Omarova, a non-Catholic student. “Campus Notre Dame will try to introduce you up with a church of your faith in South Bend if you want to attend. I do believe that the campus helps you grow spiritually no matter what you choose to be.”

A student panelist gave similar response when a father asked the student/parent panel a question about how active the Campus Ministry is on campus.

“Spiritual life on this campus is a very personal as you choose to make it,” said Alyson Leatherman.

During the student/parent panel, much discussion arose about the benefits of an all-women’s college. Afterward, Jan Boorda of the Notre Dame Women’s Athletic Foundation, said, “Prospect from Minneapolis, said, “The panel has opened my mind to the benefits of an all-women’s college. I was hesitant before this but now I am more open to the idea.”

At the conclusion of the day, the families toured the campus and all received a free book at Angola Athletic Facility for an open house with administration.

“The day has been very informative, but a suggestion for next time would be to hold the panel discussions outside on such a beautiful as today,” said Bordonaro.

Prospective students visit Saint Mary’s College campus this weekend for Spring Day, an event organized to teach more about the school. Above, female students gather information at Angola Athletic Facility.

‘Destiny’ rally honors champions

By JASON McFARLEY

New Editor

It was a familiar feeling in a different setting.

In their last public appearance as a group, members of the Notre Dame women's basketball team celebrated their NCAA championship in front of more than 1,000 people.

“We really appreciate the support you’ve shown us all year,” said All-American Ruth Riley, at the community rally outside the College Football Hall of Fame in downtown South Bend.

“We enjoy the atmosphere you’ve created for us around here.”

The event was billed as the “Team of Destiny” rally, and speakers alluded to the theme throughout the 30-minute ceremony.

“I think this was really a team of destiny,” said head coach Muffet McGraw. “They had their eyes on St. Louis, the whole time.”

On April 1, the team defeated Purdue University to win the national title in St. Louis.

In the championship game and during the regular season, the team was an example of "good under pressure," McGraw said. She noted season highlights, including wins against Georgia and Connecticut.

Fans cheered speeches by McGraw and players, were part of a panoramic photo with the team outside the hall and even sang happy birthday to McGraw’s son Murphy.

Local politicians were also on hand to honor the team.

County councilwoman Cindy Bodele presented the squad with the key to South Bend. Local city councilman Roland Kelly announced the South Bend Common Council’s April 23 passage of two resolutions commending the team.

South Bend Mayor Steve Luecke praised the women for their courage and model exemplar.

“Thanks for showing us how to work through adversity. Thanks for inspiring our young people,” Luecke said.

At Friday’s rally, team members offered advice to the crowd, much of which included young children.

After asking the audience who wanted to play college basketball and who wanted to attend Notre Dame, senior guard Imani Dunbar told children to work hard and surround themselves with positive influences.

“If it’s music or basketball or whatever you want to do, we just want to encourage you to try your heart out, and we wish you guys all the best,” Riley added.

Since winning the championship, the team has received much public praise.

On April 6, a resolution to honor the team’s title passed by unanimous consent in the U.S. Senate. Senator Byrd, D-W.Va., and Richard Lugar, R-Ind., sponsored the measure.

April 8, the community hailed the team at a public pep rally at the Joyce Center.

The women traveled to Washington, D.C., on April 23 for a ceremony with President Bush at the White House.

Luecke said he hoped the rally would hold special meaning for the team.

“I know that you’ve had a lot of honors this year, but I hope that what you’ll carry with you is the adulation, the adoration of this community,” he said.
Working out the details

the just to Bottinger's class, the drive and won donated about 400 items of clothing, Bottinger said. "They were really excited about the start."

In the end, Bottinger's freshman homeroom donated about 1,500 items to the drive and won the prize.

With the win in hand, the class, along with upperclassman organizers, began preparations for the trip. Even though the prize was awarded just to Bottinger's class, the teacher filled the seats of the trip left vacant by students who could not afford these who were instrumental in planning the clothing drive. While meeting with the club's sponsor to arrange for an agreement on the trip to Notre Dame, it was a long and time-consuming effort to make it a reality.

Working out the details

In order to have their chosen day off, to be successful, Bottinger and his students needed two things: permission and money. Luckily for them, neither was too much trouble.

After Bottinger's class won the trip it immediately applied to the school's Board of Education for permission. Penniman, who organized the drive, was also responsible for organizing the execution of the prize.

She did all the legal paperwork for Board approval. "Bottinger and I took that long a time and she did a great job." Bottinger also spent countless hours on the phone with people at the University, setting up tours, arranging for accommodations and finalizing the plans. With the paperwork done and the trip approved, only one thing stood in the way: money. The original prize of a single day off didn't include a trip midway across the country or a weekend adventure. Extra money — and some serious fundraising — was a necessity. But before the class could even think about raising money for its trip, the organizers of the clothing drive needed to raise enough funds to ship all the clothes to Senegal. And because the drive had been such a success, that sum topped out at a bit over $2,000.

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Tara Penman
Oakcrest High senior

Freshman quarterback Matt LoVecchio signs the T-shirt of an Oakcrest High student. The New Jersey high school class earned a trip to Notre Dame for the Blue-Gold game by winning their school's clothing drive. Their visit to campus included a talk with LoVecchio and a tour of the stadium.

After taking a glimpse of football's present, the class took a look at football's past at the College Football Hall of Fame before attending South Bend's ceremony for the women's basketball team at Guggeinhein Plaza.

On Saturday, the class took in the atmosphere of a gameday on campus and then attended the Blue-Gold game, before immediately boarding the bus for the long ride home.

Despite the fun and excitement surrounding the trip, the students did not forget what brought them to Notre Dame in the first place.

"We're really excited — it's such a great experience," Penman said. "It's perfect. It gives us a great feeling to help someone and we get to do something fun, too."
World News Briefs

China allows U.S. inspection: China has decided to let U.S. personnel inspect a Navy spy plane at the military airport in southern China where it landed after colliding with a Chinese fighter jet, the official Xinhua News Agency said Sunday.

Mideast cease-fire in the making: Israeli's Foreign Minister Shimon Peres traveled to Jordan and Egypt on Sunday seeking to forge a framework of a Mideast cease-fire, but nuclear attacks, mortar fire and gun battles at home cast a long shadow over the latest peace initiative. Peres presented Israel's reservations to a peace deal put forward by Egypt and Jordan for ending seven months of Israeli-Palestinian fighting. But he said there were hopes for a deal that could lead to resuming peace negotiations.

national News Briefs

Endeavour leaves space station: Space shuttle Endeavour and its crew undocked from the international space station on Sunday, wrapping up a long, finally visit that was wracked by computer troubles but finally ended in success. Left behind were the three space station residents, who had just 14 hours to get ready for their next guests: two Russian cosmonauts and the first space tourist.

Brush fires strike New Jersey: Wind-fanned brush fires consumed at least 550 acres across the state Saturday and forced the evacuation of dozens of homes. No injuries were reported. A fire centered near the Millville Airport in northern New Jersey burned at least 450 acres and forced evacuations of at least 11 streets. Firefighters were struggling into the evening to contain it. "It's still glowing in size," said Glenn Liepe, a war­den with the state Forest Fire Service.

Indiana News Briefs

Budget plan remains in limbo: State lawmakers continued Saturday to negoti­ate a two-year spending plan, but the outlook for reaching a deal looked bleak as talks stretched into the evening. House Democrats and Senate Republicans, the majority parties in their chambers, were inching closer to an agreement on Indiana's state budget, but clashes over redistricting threatened to delay action beyond the regular session deadline of midnight Sunday. "We're still apart on the major areas," said Sen. Luke Kenley, R-Noblesville, a top bud­get negotiator for Senate Republicans.

naval exercises put on hold

Protesters are detained while others attempt to tear down fences surrounding U.S. Naval testing ground on the island of Vieques. Both protesting and a request from the Vatican caused the Navy to halt exercises on Sunday.

Naval exercises put on hold

Associated Press

Vieques

The U.S. Navy halted bombing exercises on Vieques as a gesture of respect as the Vatican beatified the first Puerto Rican ever on Sunday, bringing a pause to two days of clashes between protesters and federal authorities.

The exercises are to resume Monday morning and are expected to last several more days, Navy Lt. Jeff Gordon said. The Navy avoided exercises Sunday as the largely Catholic U.S. territory observed the ceremony putting Carlos Manuel Rodriguez on the path to sainthood.

Rodriguez — one of five people beatified by Pope John Paul II on Sunday — was a layman who died in 1963 after a life dedicated to the church. The Vatican has attributed a miracle to him: a woman recovered from non-Hodgkins lymphoma after praying to Rodriguez.

Some 25,000 people, including many Puerto Ricans, attended the cer­emony in St. Peter's Squa­re. Rodriguez, an office clerk, gained fame in the 1960s for his efforts to spread the study of liturgy and bring laypeople into the church.

On the occasion of the beatification, Puerto Ri­co's governor, Sila Calder­on, asked the pope to act to bring a permanent stop to U.S. bombing exercises on the outlying island of Vieques. She made the request in a letter deli­vered to John Paul by her secretary of state.

On Vieques, dozens of protesters formed picket lines near Navy land on Sunday, but there were no reports of conflicts with military security. The Navy did not report any new arrests of pro­testers trespassing on the bombing range. So far, 128 protesters have been arrested since Thursday night for entering the range in hopes of thwart­ing the exercises, which began Friday.

Activists claimed they still had about 40 people on the Navy bombing range.

"We're going to keep putting people on the bombing range because we have demonstrated that we have been more efficient at getting people in there than the Navy has been at taking them out," said protest leader Carlos Zenon.
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in the departments of theology and philosophy and also includes a chapel, conference rooms and other amenities. It will be completed by the opening of the 2001-02 academic year.

The selection of Father Malloy as chairman of the Board of the Keough residence hall on the University’s LaFortune Student Center, and Notre Dame's president in 1987, ”Father Keough said.

“Both walk­ing at his side, along with vice chairman Andy McKenna and the Board, and watching from the walls has been my great good fortune, as chairman of theKeough name. Marilyn Keough joined her husband as the recipient of a Notre Dame honorary degree during the dedication ceremonies for the Dublin center in October 1998. Keough residence hall on the Notre Dame campus also was a gift from the couple and is named for Marilyn.

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end at 9 each morning. Opposite-sex visiting currently begins at 10 a.m.

On Friday, those connected with the protest distributed more than 1,500 fliers promot­ing the event. The fliers urge students to bring their sleeping bags for a campout near the flagpole on South Quad tonight between beginning around 10 p.m.

The fliers also make argu­ments for extending parietals, citing unfavor­able weather for the protest.

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sophomore

While the Office of the Student Body President is not affiliated with the protest, stu­dent government officials said they support the campus's purpose.

"We are not organizing this, but as students we would like to offer our support to enforce what students believe in," said Brooke Norton, student body president.

Both Norton and Brian Moscona, student body vice president, said Sunday that they plan to attend the sleep­out as individuals not associat­ed with student government.

"Parietals add to the problems we have with gender issues on this cam­pus," said fresh­man Amanda Hughes, who helped dis­tribute fliers Friday. "It would be nice if you had an extra hour of study time during the week."

In March, the Student Senate conducted a survey that polled student opinion on changing parietals hours. Of 3,038 respondents, 2,429 — about 80 percent — were in favor of extending parietals past mid­night during the semester.

"We're emphasizing that there can be no alcohol and no tents. It would ruin the spirit of the protest and the mission behind it," said Graham. "Besides, the purpose of the event is to gather students peacefully together so we can all get united behind this one cause."

Protestors will begin unrolling their sleeping bags at 10 p.m. tonight on South Quad. The camp out wraps up around 10 a.m. Tuesday.

A LITERARY TRIBUTE

Members of the Notre Dame Polish Club (from l to r, Dan Matejek, Vince Slatt, Rene Soplacz, Sal Pacileo, and Anthony Bonk) pose with a statue of Polish author Joseph Conrad the club presented to Hesburgh Library.

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PHILIPPINES

Catholic church leader pushes active political support

Associated Press

MANILA

The powerful head of the Philippine Roman Catholic church urged people into the streets early Monday to defend democracy and the president, setting up a possible showdown with thousands of protesters supporting ousted President Joseph Estrada.

Troops were put on highest alert amid widespread rumors of a looming coup. Hundreds responded to Jaime Cardinal Sin’s midnight call, taking to the streets to express support for President Gloria Macapagal Arroyo. The military chief reiterated support for Arroyo at a 2 a.m. news conference, and denied reports that officers were defecting to Estrada’s camp.

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Joseph Estrada

former Philippine president

“There are limits to these liberties. If the safety of individuals are threatened then the exercise of those liberties might have to be restrained,” Interior Secretary Jose Lina said. Estrada’s lawyers are pushing the pro-Estrada rallies to continue at the shrine to the Virgin of the Immaculate Conception, where Estrada’s late dictator Ferdinand Marcos in 1986 as long as they remain peaceful. Tens of thousands of people have attended nightly. "Wherever they may jail me, they will never be able to imprison the voices of our people against an oppressive regime which gained power not through the majesty of elections," Estrada said. Top military and police officials have pledged their support for Arroyo daily. They backed the protests that forced Estrada from power in January and installed Arroyo. Ray Roque, a provincial town mayor who visited Estrada Sunday, said the former president was entertaining guests and was busy by the rallies.

The government plans to move Estrada to a more remote detention facility, hoping it will quell the protests as the Philippines prepares for congressional and local elections on May 14 that many see as a referendum on Arroyo. Estrada’s lawyers are pushing for house arrest or bail, neither of which is normally allowed on plunder charges.

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Anti-Joseph Estrada demonstrators form a barricade near the Macapagal Presidential Palace in Manila before dawn Monday. Anti-Estrada groups arrived after an appeal by Manila Archbishop, Cardinal Jaime Sin, to defend the Gloria Arroyo government from Estrada loyalists out from an attempted power grab to reinstate the jalled former Philippine leader.

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Macedonia

President: No mercy for militants

Associated Press

SKOPJE - Bracing for renewed ethnic conflict after an ambush killed eight government commandos, Macedonia's president pledged Sunday that no mercy would be shown to the Albanian militants responsible.

The attack Saturday near the Kosovo border was the most deadly incident since clashes between government troops and ethnic Albanian militants began in February.

"It is time now to ... unite the political forces and all the citizens of Macedonia so that terrorism is defeated," President Boris Trajkovski said on state television.

A police statement said between 25 and 30 rebels from Kosovo attacked a convoy of four vehicles and 16 men. Six other soldiers were injured.

Government spokesman Ante Milevski said the commandos who were killed were shot in the head and stabbed by the militants after the attack to ensure they were dead.

The attack shattered hopes of lasting calm in the wake of an upcoming period of partialinda terrorism is defeated."

Boris Trajkovski
President, Macedonia

Albanian-language news agencies said they killed "militant extremists."

Passions ran high at the funeral Sunday of 25-year-old Igor Kosteski, one of those killed in the ambush.

"This was murder. They killed eight young people for nothing," said his father, Milivoj.

Interior Minister Dosta Dimovski warned of "indications that there might be more such terrorist incursions from Kosovo in the upcoming period."

In related violence, three Yugoslav soldiers were reportedly wounded when their vehicle ran over a land mine north of the Macedonian border, in Serbia. Later Sunday, the government press office reported that ethnic Albanian militants in the area launched an attack against the Serb police near the town of Vranje.

Macedonia. Ethnic Albanians make up about one-third of the country's 2 million people. So far, the ethnic violence has been relatively contained, with the militants failing to win wide support.

But Trajkovski's statement signaled that the government was braced for an all-out assault and the violence resume.

Though no fighting was reported Sunday, Trajkovski said the government had already taken measures to regain control of the border region and find the attackers. He did not elaborate.

Police imposed a 10 p.m. to 5 a.m. curfew for the second-largest city of Tetovo, where they battled the militants for weeks before pushing them back last month.

State television stopped broadcasts of government ministers speaking in Albanian-language news agencies, saying they incited "militant extremism."

President, Macedonia

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England

Government eases last call alcohol law

Associated Press

LONDON - Britain's tradition-soaked pub culture is set to see its biggest change in decades - an easing of the nation's strict 11 p.m. last call for alcohol, a government minister said Sunday.

The long-debated licensing change to allow pubs, bars, restaurants and stores to sell alcohol later - and perhaps around the clock - is slated to be one of the first acts of Prime Minister Tony Blair's government if it wins a second term of office this summer, officials said.

What may seem counterintuitive that keeping pubs open longer will minimize problems with drunkenness, the Home Office argues that the current limit encourages binge drinking before closing and causes chaotic crowds of revelers to spill into the streets all at once, straining nighttime law enforcement.

"Our proposals will deal with the antiquated and bureaucratic licensing system and modernize it," Home Office Minister Mike O'Brien said.

"They will give business greater freedom, protect local residents, help the police deal with law and order and give the public more opportunities to socialize."

Blair's chief political rival, the Conservative Party, decried the announcement as a cheap attempt to grab votes ahead of the national election, planned for early June.

"How typical and opportunistic of Labor to revise this in the run-up to the election," said Anne Widdecombe, a senior Conservative lawmaker.

Blair's Labor Party holds a commanding lead over the Conservatives, according to independent polls, and is widely expected to win re-election.

Proposals examined in a recent Home Office report include staggering closings from 11 p.m. until the early morning hours or lifting national restrictions altogether to allow local communities to determine closing times.

A change would "end the unnaturally early race to drink as much as possible before the current closing time, when many are not yet ready to go," the report said.

Mark Hastings, a spokesman for the Brewers and Licensed Retailers Association applauds the announcement, saying that the current closing time is "one of the earliest in Western Europe - treats Britons like children."
April 1997 for a playoff training camp. The team has held training camps in 1991.

The indictment did not identify Kaplan's attorney. Kaplan's attorney, Frederick White of Waterloo, Iowa, resisted until the end, but decided not to make a final statement. He never admitted to a murder.

McVeigh was brought to the Fort Madison prison to die because the federal government did not have a death chamber. McVeigh's last meal request was simple — an olive with the pit still in it. He told prison officials he hoped his olive tree would sprout from his body as a sign of peace.

"I sure hope I'm the last one to go," McVeigh is said to have told the Rev. Bernard Brugman, the prison chaplain, on the day he died — March 15, 1963. Witnesses said McVeigh stood silently, chewing gum rapidly, as the noose was placed around his neck and a black silk hood was pulled over his face.

At 5:30 a.m., a trap door in the wooden gallows was pulled open and he fell through and dangled at the end of the rope. A doctor stood on a table beneath the gallows to check for a heartbeat, and Feguer was pronounced dead of a broken neck.

A prison psychological examining board had found that he suffered from a character disorder with psychotic episodes. Doctors who examined him three months before his execution said he was a sociopath with schizophrenic tendencies. Feguer "had considerable repression and denial in facing this penalty," the doctors wrote. "He must accept the acts as having occurred."

White described his client as "weird." Investigators said Feguer chose Bartels simply because his name was listed first among general practitioners in the phone book.

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The next prisoner scheduled to die by injection on May 16 for a bombing at the federal building in Oklahoma City, will be the first federal prisoner executed since Victor Feguer went to the gallows in 1963 at the Iowa State Penitentiary in Fort Madison. The two men are a study in contrasts.

McVeigh killed 168 people with his bomb. Feguer killed one, a doctor kidnapped in Dubuque and taken across the state line into Illinois. McVeigh carefully planned his crime. Feguer was incapable of planning anything, said his attorney, Frederick White of Waterloo.

And while McVeigh is not fighting the death penalty, Feguer resisted until the end, but decided not to make a final statement. He never admitted to a murder.

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Crash course in essay writing

Anna Barbour

It's one week post-MCAT and all I have to say is "school's out for summer," heck, "school's out for ever." Oh wait, we have finals, even the seniors. Not to worry, though, as I say: Forego the usual walk into stress and sleep deprivation. Notre Dame doth provide for you well, dear friends. And how does she do it? She provides you with Viewpoint.

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You are unconvincing. You are still afraid of finals week. And why? Because this is it, this is the last week before a glorious summer, culminating in the rest of your life or because you need to pass the final that allows you to pass the class that allows you to graduate.

Any way you slice it, this upcoming week in May is one that will not be remembered for the amount of free-speech activities on this campus. Remember all the past issues of Viewpoint to collect your examples. Some Notre Dame women, for instance, believe they are not able to express themselves freely in the clothing they are "socially allowed" to wear. How can we consider ourselves Americans in a society that does not allow free forms of all kinds of speech?

When will partisans become destroyed? This is quite possibly the biggest example of freedom restriction in our immediate vicinity. And good lord, "The Vagina Monologues," where did free-speech go in that situation? Why didn't the Paper's editors respond?

Incidentally, the multiple choice final: narrow the answer down to the best choices, choose C if that is an option. If C is not an option, we're sorry to hear that, do what you can.

Anna Barbour is a junior theology student. The Observer policy on this column does not want democratic ideals; they state that "they question the lack of editorial censorship on the part of The Observer in articles that deal with such topics as gun control." We cannot even talk about personal firearms without people going nuts around here.

Be bold with your declarative statements. "One might suggest, however, that the opulence of this university coheres as much to Catholic character as would giant midnight orgies on North quad." Now, take another angle in an argument, state that the problem stems from meat. That's right, meat! Some have suggested a conspiratorial connection with the Catholic season of Lent. The unfortunate result of losing free speech reaches much farther than one may think. Rhetorically, ask, "If we eat meat, what are we sacrificing?" Only our nutrition, our health, and our stamina, is what we're sacrificing.

3. Sum up your conclusions. Try to reach some conclusions for God's sake. Say that the problem demands serious actions. Serious action. But we cannot help you with them as you would be caught for plagiarism and tossed out of campus or your butt.

Now, because we are master craftsmen, you are doing study for most of your exams, unless you are an engineer. By God, go out and enjoy the fresh air: you know, "if you free your mind, the rest will follow."
Students protest denied parietal extension

The Mission Statement of the University of Notre Dame states, "The University prides itself on being an environment of inquiry and engagement by developing students in a disciplined manner, habits of mind, body and spirit, which characterize educated, skilled and free human beings. Unfortunately, it appears that these noble ideas will not be realized anytime in the near future. In an effort to prevent changes that would allow students to grow into disciplined, free human beings committed to respectful communal living, the administration has structured the Campus Life Council (CLC) in a manner which will quash any student-led initiative to improve the campus community.

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My life as a frisbee... sucks

Hey, I'm a red frisbee. And I've got something to say: I'm tired of being thrown around the quad, biting people in the head. Every time I hit someone in the head, they always get mad and say it hurts. But what about me, the frisbee? I get scratched and dinged when I hit the ground. You just get a welt.

People are throwing me in trees. Then you throw up your shoe to get me out. That hurts you clown! What do you do when somebody throws your Birkenstock at you? You get pissed! Why don't you lay off the pipe and throw me correctly, hippie? Oh, and then you throw me up on a roof, and just say "that sucks" and go inside. Then I sit up there all summer and warp because its so hot. Then when it rains in the fall, I slide off the roof and when you find me, you say, "hey, I was looking for this.

NO YOU WERENT, JACKASS. You just got another frisbee, one of those fancy ones. Then there's the ever popular "throw the frisbee at a girl to get her attention because she's in a bikini." I'm not some matchmaker, I'm a flying disc. If you can't talk to girls yourself, that's your problem buddy. Don't kill my game with your sorry game. None of the lady frisbees will talk to me if they find out I've touched the butt of some sunbathing girl. Why don't you try not to be a loser, then throw me around.

And what about those people who throw frisbees? Hey, they make shirts that aren't tie-dyed. Why don't you take a shower and cut your hair? And getting the frisbee "ripped" is not as funny as you think it is. I'm associated with people that don't ever wear shoes and go to Phish concerts all the time. Maybe that's why Ultimate hasn't become a major sport. Football players all wear cleats, after all.

People try to be all fancy when they throw me. They try to throw me through their legs and bounce me off the sidewalk. Of course, it never works, and I end up rolling into a building. You've seen on the quads lately. You know 90 percent of the people out there don't know what they're doing when they throw me. They go ten throws and nobody catches me. They're too busy checking out the opposite sex. It's like a grassy Boat Club.

About catching me (this is my pet peeve): do not catch me by clamping your hands on the top and bottom of me. That's like someone going up to you and karate chopping your head on both sides. That's assault, brother. But do you think the NDISP does anything about assaults on frisbees? Nope. I don't want to whine, but frisbee abuse is a pressing social problem. I wrote to my congressman, but he says there's nothing he can do because I can't vote. Maybe the time has come for our society to stop treating frisbees as something you can get for 99 cents at Meijer and start treating us like legitimate purveyors of fun.

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So, next time you're out on the quad, recognize that frisbees have feelings too. And if we land up on the roof, at least try to get us down within six months.

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

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Fewer Clothes, more sun

The Observer presents

By LAURA KELLY
American Scene Editor

What is it about the spring that turns us into kids again? Maybe it's the smell of flowers in the air, the hormones running high, the homework piling up and the motivation to let work slip away.

Whatever the reason, once the sun finally shows its face in South Bend, we flock outside and throw away our worries and obligations as easily as we lose Frisbees into the air. During the week's hectic schedule, the quads are sparsely populated with only a few lucky sunbathers and football fanatics making most of their afternoon after classes.

But the weekend is when the quad phenomenon reaches its ecstatic height. On Friday and Saturday afternoons, the greeny lawns are covered with sleeping students and avid athletes. Some make an event of it, dragging chairs and stereo outside and gathering groups of friends and beverages with which to entertain them.

What is the best way to enjoy this springtime phenomenon on the quads? To make the most of your time on Notre Dame's manicured lawns, here are the essentials you need to know: the rules and mores of life on the quad.

Seating
To truly enjoy your quad experience, you need to stake out your territory. This is the place to see and be seen. Find a sunny patch of grass and claim it as your own. You'll need something to lie on — a blanket, a towel, a comforter or a good-looking member of the opposite sex. Other more elaborate choices involve carrying your dorm furniture out onto the quad. Get some strong friends and lug that beer-soaked couch outside — think of it as spring cleaning. Besides, the quad is just an extension of the dorm anyway. Now the afternoon is yours. Pop on some shades, sit back and relax.

The Art of Scoping
Now that you've got yourself settled, what to do? The favorite quad activity of those who don't want to break a sweat is to scope out the opposite sex. This highly refined art reaches a new level outside of the dining hall. Here you can judge others based on their athletic ability, their interactions with friends and their appearance in skimpy summer clothes. While some may think this is the stuff of male chauvinism, girls are just as likely to rate those of the opposite sex. One group of Walsh residents judges male passer-bys on their shorts; length, style and how good their legs look after a sun-deprived winter. Just doing their part to support gender equity at Notre Dame.

Proper Quad Attire
Once the weather warms up, the clothes (like the six-month old snow) melt away as well. Clothing is at a minimum during the springtime months, and sunbathers on the quad take this to a new level. For males, shorts and a baseball hat or sunglasses are all that seem to be required. The women of Notre Dame, on the other hand, get creative with bikini tops, tank tops and shorts. Girls roll up sleeves, cuffs, even entire shirts, in all the name of exposing every possible square inch to the sun. A bird's eye view of this Catholic University's quads must be a strange one — hundreds of students stretched out as burnt offerings to some sun god.

Athletics
The word on the lawns is that South quad is the place to show off your athletic skills. Yet both quads are filled with sailing Frisbees, spiraling foot-
balls and the familiar thump of a baseball in a well-worn glove. At a school renowned for its athletic prowess, one only expects to find its students engaged in sports during their free time, and the spring months are no exception. The quads bring out the jock in all of us, from the varsity all-stars to the wanna-be beginners. Among the most popular sports played on the spring quads are: lacrosse, football, baseball, Frisbee, lawn bowling and croquet.

Safety
No matter what the sport of choice, the eager players have to maneuver their throws and tosses so as not to knock out those who are audacious enough to use the quad for its actual purpose: walking across campus. Once in a while, a gust of wind, an ill-judged distance or a novice player will let a ball or Frisbee sail right into an innocent passer-by. While this can be a trick to meet cute girls, it can also transform the quad into a dangerous cross-fire zone. The key is to keep an eye out for these flying objects and at least attempt to catch one if it heads your way.

Refreshments
Whether it's a hard-nosed game of football or just exhaustion from hours of tanning, every quad-goer eventually craves refreshment. Around the lunch hour, many happy Grab-N-Goers can be seen picnicking in the sun. As the clock on O'Shag creeps closer to the dinner hour, the beverages of choice often turn to alcoholic concoctions, carried in cans by the bold or concealed in water bottles by the cautious. While alcohol can add to the intoxication of springtime, revelers should be careful the better in the weather has lured facult-

and not let their fun get out of hand — nothing spoils a beautiful day on the quad (or a happy buzz) like getting busted for your drinking. Maybe sticking to slugging Grab-N-Go juice boxes is the right idea.

Music
There are always a few bold souls who assume everyone on the quad will appreciate their musical taste. So they set their speakers in their dorm windows, make a killer playlist and let the tunes blare. Sometimes the entertainment is greatly appreciated, and adds to the party atmosphere of the quad. Other times an endless loop of Dave Matthews and the best of U93 can get more than a little annoying. And what happens when the wanna-be DJ forgets to turn down his computer speakers, as one enthusiastic Dillon resident did last spring? Everyone on the quad gets to hear the constant, annoying rings of his IM going off at ear-piercing levels. Ah, the wonders of technology.

Whether you are dozing on a blanket surrounded by unread books strumming a guitar under the shade of a tree or tossing the pigskin around with your roommates, when finals loom and the stress levels rise, Notre Dame students flee from the cinderblock cells of their dorm rooms to the grassy green outdoors. Studying and relaxing outside has always been a springtime tradition.

Sure, the sprinklers may unexpectedly douse you from a peaceful sleep, or the blazing sun may scorch your back as you ponder Plato, but the lure of the outdoors is strong, and the quads call each of us: the jock, the musician, the sunbather and the student.

Amanda Greco and C. Spencer Beggs contributed to this article.
Lacrosse accomplishments deserve recognition

By JOE LICANDRO
Sports Writer

While the Irish women's basketball team won the NCAA tournament this spring and the Irish baseball team achieved the No. 1 ranking in the country, the Irish lacrosse team has quietly put together the best season in the history of Irish lacrosse.

The Irish went 5-0 in the Great Western Lacrosse League division during the regular season to capture their second straight divisional title. Their only loss was an 11-10 overtime road loss to nationally ranked Hofstra. The 12 wins by this year's team are the most wins ever in the 21-year history of Notre Dame lacrosse.

TOM GLATZEL and Notre Dame

"I'm especially proud of our seniors. They are responsible for the success of this program.

Kevin Corrigan
Lacrosse coach

An Irish player evades a defender in a game against Butler earlier this season.

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Top seeds Five Reasons, Versatility advance to Final Four

By JEFF BALTRUZAK
Assistant Sports Editor

With such a well-played game, it should have ended with a behind-the-backboard assist, but No. 1 Five Reasons' Girl Left Outs 26-24 victory over No. 9 Project Mayhem ended anticlimactically with a Pete Ryan foul shot.

And once the shot swished through the net, the very involved crowd stood almost still, watching two teams exchange hugs and respecting that reflected a game where both squads had the ball with a chance to win the game.

"Pete's been there," said Five Reasons' point guard Kevin Muempfer, commenting on his team's experience. "We didn't panic down the stretch."

The stretch would feature a portion of the game where Ryan was Five Reasons' only offense. The senior scored points 15 through 18 for his team while teammate Dan Lustig was neutralized by Mayhem.

But first-team all-tournament selection Lustig reap­peared very late in the game, right when his team needed his depth scoring touch. He scored three consecutive points for Five Reasons to reach 24 points, and had a monstrous shot block that gave Five Reasons the winning possession.

Muempfer, a first-team all-tournament pick, pointed to Five Reasons' strategy as the difference in the tight contest. "I felt running high screens was effective for us," he said. "We took advantage of some mismatches from that down the stretch."

For Mayhem, strong front court play from Brian Rush and Doug Wilson kept the ninth seed from being over powered by Five Reasons. Rush repeatedly out dued the taller Paul Raih for key rebounds, while putting up the final two buckets of a six point Mayhem scoring run that closed the first half.

Fellow Mayhem forward Jason Mayes, the ironman award winner, was quick to recognize Rush's strong play inside.

"Rush had a great game," said Mayes. "He was the key to our game."

Mayhem guard Luke Mueller gave his team an opportunity to seal the upset when he hit a jump shot to run the score to 53-22 in favor of Mayhem. But Five Reasons' defense tightened, and when Lustig hit a shot to tie the game, Mayhem would never lead again.

Despite his team's loss, Mayes said his team played the No. 1 seed tough. "I'm disappointed we lost, but we played well," he said.

In other round of eight action, No. 2 Versatility used a late run to stop the No. 7 seed Freeballers 21-15. The Freeballers would score only one of the last eight points in the game.

John Hiltz of Versatility showcased a multi-faceted basketball ability, hitting long range shots and layups, fighting for rebounds and dishes assists to teammates Chris Dillon, Joe Lillis, Jason Childress and Tim Greene.

But it was defense that Hiltz would credit Versatility's victory. "Defense is always going to win games and championships," said Hiltz, who scored nine on the day. "It's not always pretty, but it was the key to our game. We made them take some tough shots."

For a while, Freeballers made those tough shots. The teams exchanged leads for most of the first half, with the Freeballers' frontcourt tandem of Tony Carney and Grant Gholson playing with determination.

The second half would be short, Gholson hit a pair of shots to knot the game at 14, but then Hiltz took over the game. He had three points in a Versatility run that made the score 19-14. He later hit a free throw to win the game and propel his team into the Final Four.

PGA TOUR
Hoch wins Greater Greensboro Classic

Associated Press
GREENSBORO, N.C.
Talk about eating your words.
Scott Hoch complained for days that shorter rough at the Greater Greensboro Chrysler Classic favored longer, wilder hitters off the tee and was a disadvantage to his straight game.

Then the 22-year PGA Tour veteran went out and broke a 94-tournament drought with four sub-70 rounds to win the $3.5 million event at Forest Oaks Country Club.

After closing out his final round 69 Sunday, Hoch picked up some rough behind the 18th green and threw it high into the air.

"I said, 'Hey, the rough was perfect after all,'" Hoch said.

Hoch, 45, won his ninth event and first since the 1997 Greater Milwaukee Open with a 72-hole total of 16-under 272.

At his age, Hoch said he didn't think he would ever win again.

"Age has got to have something to do with your game, but I also wanted to prove to myself that I've got the game no matter what age I am -- that I can still win," Hoch said.

Hoch, who was born in Raleigh and attended college at nearby Wake Forest, had only played in this tournament once (1999) in the last decade. And he almost didn't come this time, committing last minute to the Greater Greensboro Chrysler Classic after checking the weather on his computer before heading north from his home in Orlando, Fla., on Monday to John Hiltz said that just 17 of the top 50 money leaders. Once at the course, Hoch griped that the rough was 3 inches shorter than normal, saying he would have stayed at home if he knew it had been cut.

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**FOOTBALL**

**Captains to lead Irish on gridiron in 2001 season**

By NOAH AMSTADER  
Sports Editor

In the lower levels of a Notre Dame Stadium undergone repairs, Bob Davie stressed the foundation of the Irish football program is indeed rock solid.

The keys to that foundation are the program’s seniors. And as Davie said after yesterday’s Blue-Gold Scrimmage, the senior class named as the four seniors voted 2001 captains by their teammates. Davie believes captains Grant Irons, Anthony Weaver and Grant Irons, along with tanker David Givens and outside linebacker Rocky Boiman, will lead the team in the fall.

“We’ve got four outstanding captains,” Davie said. “And I think we have some other leaders on this football team. So if I’m not going to stand up here and try to hide that.”

Davie stressed that the rising senior class, having ended bowl eligibility this season and ’00 while going 5-7 in 1999, possesses the experience needed to lead a successful program.

“A senior class we have coming back is as strong as any senior class I’ve been here at Notre Dame,” Davie said. “It’s not only the talented senior class, it’s a class that’s been through a lot, a class that’s really grown.”

Irons, who also served as a captain last fall, believes a fifth year of eligibility after playing in the 1998 and the 1999 during the 2000 season before undergoing shoulder surgery. The president of the Student-Athlete Advisory Council is excited to return to the team this spring rather than the line of his career.

“I’m very honored to be selected by my teammates, to be one of the senior leaders,” said Irons, who missed the 2000 football after undergoing eye surgery. “I’m very excited to be a part of a really special group of guys, to know that they’re going to come back for a fifth year. I’m looking forward to helping and contributing to this team.”

Irons refuses to look back at last season, instead focusing on making the most of his final year in the shadow of the double-o season.

“It was definitely tough,” Irons, the last player to leave the post-game photo session after Saturday’s game, said of sitting out last season. “Through the encouragement of my teammates, the encouragement of my parents and my family and the grace of God, I was able to overcome that adversity.”

After the scrimmage Davie reflected on how Givens nearly decided against coming to Notre Dame three years ago.

“He was going to go to Michigan or he was going to go to Colorado,” Davie said of this leading player in 2000. “He had great visits, loved the coaches, loved the schools, everything about them. In the end he came to Notre Dame because he knew they were the best that was best for him — not because he really wanted to come here but because he knew what was best for him.”

Givens remembers that period well and says that academic realities led him to South Bend.

“It came down to where I thought my best opportunity would be after football,” Givens said after gaining a degree from Notre Dame this summer. “I would have a lot more than Colorado or Michigan. That’s what it came down to.

“Today, Givens just inquired when talking about the honor of serving in such a high capacity.”

“I think it’s a great honor because my teammates have respect for me in this way,” he said. “It’s basically one of the highest accomplishments I could have had in college football — I really am happy about it.”

But the Humble, Texas native knows that with honor comes responsibility.

“Once you’re a captain on this team, you’re on the team,” Davie said. “You’ve got to show more of a leadership role. Basically I’m the only captain on offensive right now. I feel I’ve got to take the offense under my wing. It puts a little more of a leadership role on me. We’re also going to have to wish that.”

One of his top advocates is offensive coordinator Kevin Rogers. “If I had a vote, he would get the team’s vote,” Rogers said. “He’s not only a good player but he works his butt off every day. Everybody knows that in the weight room or on the practice field, everything is flat out.”

Weaver boasts 32 career starts along with a team-high eight sacks in 2000. He echoed the sentiments of his fellow captains, stating that his title is a dream come true.

“I’ve been a Notre Dame fan since I was a little kid,” Weaver said. “To actually be a captain of the football team, that’s huge. Especially this group of guys, to know that they’ve voted me captain, it means so much to me.”

The quiet, but determined Weaver also says he won’t change his demeanor.

“I’m going to go out there, I’m going to try to lead by example,” Weaver said. “I’m not going to be some rah-rah guy. I’ve never been a rah-rah guy. I’m going to go out there, play my game and hopefully the young guys will follow.”

Davie stressed his happiness with the way linebacker Boiman has developed over the last three seasons.

“Rocky Boiman comes in here, he’s 205 pounds, he’s now 245 pounds,” Davie said. “I think he’s a warrior.”

The red-haired Cincinnati native is Notre Dame’s top returning tackle. While Boiman, who missed the Blue-Gold game with an injured knee, enjoys his new role, he really is just excited to take the field come fall.

“It’s a tremendous honor,” Boiman said. “It’s even more of an honor just to be a part of a team that you know we have coming back and the season we’re about to have.”

Boiman also noticed that three of the four captains are Michigan State natives.

“It just exemplifies how much leadership the defense has for all three of us to be named captains,” Boiman said.

In the end, Davie thinks his four captains will give his team the leadership it needs to succeed come fall.

“All we’ve talked about all spring, really since the (Fiesta Bowl loss to Oregon State), is to take this thing to another level,” Davie said. “It doesn’t matter what we’re trying to take to another level, you better have a strong foundation in the group of guys, to know if you’re going to put floors on the building, you better have a strong foundation.”

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Matt LoVecchio, Carlyle Holiday, and Jared Clark this spring. Davie said it’s a bit of a difficult thing to do.

They look good at Saturday’s scrimmage. It’s not like Davie and Co. would be concerned if they couldn’t play well.

“Some guys can play the position,” said offensive coordinator Kevin Rogers. "We've got some young guys we think if they couldn't."

So LoVecchio led the offense down the field on the first drive of the game and connected with David Givens on a 48-yard bomb late in the fourth quarter.

Holiday was eluding and out-running defenders all day long. He had a number of impressive runs — and that was playing one-hand touch. Hell, the scrimmage was full contact, he would have had many, many more yards — and at least one touchdown.

And Clark showed why he’s the best at throwing the long ball when he hit Givens in stride with a perfect spiral from 44 yards out.

“Every day in the spring, a different quarterback would throw positive things,” Davie said. “I think you saw that today.”

We also saw their shortcomings.

While LoVecchio looked the most comfortable of the three, he also was a little cautious and calm. Even he admitted that he had to trust the offensive line a little more. He had to stay in the pocket instead of taking off running. And the quarterback who won seven straight games in Nebraska, only completed 3-of-10 passes.

On his passes, Holiday showed off his arm strength. He completed a 40-yard interception, a pass to Arnaz Battle that was picked off by Cliff Jefferson, was thrown into triple coverage in the middle of the field.

And a jittery Clark had a horrible first half. The best play he made was a defensive one, when he leveled Donald Dykes, who had just caught a pass, McNair’s fumble. If he was making a highlight film, he might as well throw out his entire first half.

Grant Irons, cranial, can’t evaluate the trio’s performance based on Saturday’s games.

“LoVecchio’s been through that,” Davie said.

LoVecchio has done a good job making sure the trio get equal playing time. He doesn’t want a repeat of the 2000 season, when Battle was injured and the Irish had no backup.

Most importantly, Davie and Rogers have done a remarkable job making sure the chemistry between the three stays strong — Clark even called the competition fun.

They’re all young, they’re playing in the same position and they’re getting the same opportunities in practice. And LoVecchio, Holiday, and Clark are good friends on and off the field. No matter what happens this season, there’s no right or wrong now that this will change.

But problems could surface next fall. Davie and Rogers haven’t yet figured out how they’re going to use Holiday and Clark. The only thing they know for sure is that all three have to play.

“Matt LoVecchio is the starter, but you never know that we have to get those other two guys in the game,” he said.

All three quarterbacks are equally talented. The only edge LoVecchio has is he’s played a down.

“It’s impossible really to take those eight games away,” Holiday said.

“There’s no substitute for experience,” Rogers added.

Which begs the question: how long will LoVecchio’s experience keep him on top?

LoVecchio’s job to lose — rightfully so — because although Clark and Holiday might throw and run better, he was the only one who won seven straight games last year. Davie also said as long as he keeps winning, he should still be the starter.

But what if the Irish lost at Nebraska or Purdue? Or Michigan State?

That’s when things could get hairy.

“It’s kind of like being a jet pilot,” Rogers said. “You have to make decisions at a thousand miles per hour.”
Although Davie seemed pleased by the team’s performance, he said it was hard to tell anything from the spring game. “It’s hard to draw any conclusions,” he said. “It’s obvious that it was very vanilla from a scheme standpoint. That’s by intention.”

Entering the game, one of the biggest questions was how the three quarterbacks — Jared Clark, Carlyle Holiday and Mike McNair — would play. They rotated every series.

LoVecchio played the first, Clark the second, and Holiday the third. While LoVecchio looked the most poised, Clark and Holiday had their moments as well.

However, Clark got off to a slow start. He threw an interception that cornerback Shane Walton returned 44 yards for a touchdown and fumbled a snap, which nose guard Andy Wisne recovered.

But in the second half, Clark settled down. He threw a 47-yard strike to Givens and finished the scrimmage with 3-0 passing for 78 yards.

“I was really pleased Jared Clark came back in the second half,” Davie said.

“I think that’s a great experience for him. It took him the first half and come back in the second half and make some plays.”

Holiday also showed off his athletic ability. He gained 31 yards on the ground — his net yardage was three because he was sacked four times and threw for 66 more. But he was hampered by the red jersey worn by the quarterbacks — anytime he was touched, it was instantly ruled a tackle.

“Those offensive coaches kept whining, ‘He would have broken that tackle,’” Davie said. “‘Carlyle’s gonna make you miss. I think that was missing today a little bit. To be honest, he would have had some big runs and might have scored a touchdown.”

“The spring game is a great opportunity to learn,” Holiday said. “I felt me and Jared really took advantage of that.”

LoVecchio looked the experienced quarterback he was last week, out of the gate, leading the offense on an 11 play, 62-yard drive that ended in a Nick Setta field goal on the first possession of the game. LoVecchio, who finished 1-0-0 passing for 49 yards, threw a strike to Givens late in the fourth quarter for the second and final touchdown of the game.

“He’s the starter going into the Nebraska game,” Davie said.

However, the number of turnovers worried Davie. There were three interceptions and the defense recovered two fumbles.

“When you turn the ball over there is going to be a bunch of points for the other team,” he said. “We had some turnovers in the first half, and we gave up some big plays on defense.

Davie was also concerned with an offensive line that gave up 12 sacks.

“I’m a little concerned about our pass protection,” he said. “There’s not much continuity on the offensive line.”

Based on his spring performance, Davie said Sean Mahan would earn a starting spot at center. However, the other spot was still open, and Davie isn’t sure how the Irish will rotate their trio of tackles.

Although Davie was pleased with the Cardinals 13-7 win over Yura, he said, “I made it me feel good.”

Davison was only concerned with the defensive line, especially on the two long touchdown passes.

“Wasn’t the secondary’s fault, nobody could have covered them that long,” he said. “We didn’t gain one inch when we were rushing. I pointed up to the crowd and I said, ‘I could have tackled anyone up there who could have completed that pass.’

Overall, Davie was pleased by the team’s performance.

“I like this cardio team. I like this football team a lot,” he said. “We’ve talked about all spring, really since the bowl game, is to take this thing to another level.”

“Is a group of kids that you’re going to really like because they’re going to try to do what you’re asking them to do,” added Mattison. “We have enough good things going on that I think we have a chance to be outstanding if we can continue to develop over the summer.”

Davie said, “Things look pretty good and I think we have a good chance to be successful.”

Notes

- Fourteen scholarship players, including nine starters, did not compete Saturday because of various injuries. Among those who didn’t compete were cornerbacks Jason Beckstrom, line­ backer Rocky Boiman, tailback Tony Fisher, defensive end Grant Irons, safeties Ron Israel and Gerome Sapp and offensive linemen Ryan Scarola and John Tousdale.

- Davie said that if the season started today, McNair would earn the starting fullback job over Yura. Also, Courtney Walson was listed ahead of Mike Goleskey for a linebacker slot.

- Although he badly missed a 45-yard field goal during the scrimmage, Davie said Nick Setta would be the starting field goal kicker. Setta hit 4-4 field goals in a kicking exhibition before the scrimmage started. Setta also hit a 29-yard attempt during the scrimmage.

David Miller also connected on a 45-yard field goal before the game started, and he drilled a 37-yarder during the game.

However, Davie was concerned about who would handle kickoff duties. “I’m concerned about kickoffs because neither one has the advantage,” he said. “There’s going to be a lot of competition kicking off.”

- The announced attendance was 20,694 — nearly 6,000 more than attended last season’s game. Included in that were most of the incoming freshman class of recruits — most notably, tight end Mark LeVoir, the high­est rated Irish recruit — as well a number of high profile high school football juniors who are consider­ ing playing football at Notre Dame.
MEN'S GOLF

Irish place fifth at Big East despite Ratay's top finish

Special to The Observer

Notre Dame junior golfer Steve Ratay shot a one-over par 71 on Sunday afternoon at the Metacomet Country Club for a 54-hole total of 215 to take a share of the 2001 Big East Golf Championship. Ratay, finished in a three-way tie for first, joining St. John's Andrew Svoboda and Virginia Tech's Brian Krusoe with tieover par 215's. Virginia Tech won the team title by nine strokes over St. John's with an 875 total and will receive the conference's automatic bid to the NCAA Championships in May. The Irish finished fifth with a 902 total.

Ratay becomes the third Notre Dame golfer to win the Big East title joining previous winners Todd Vernon (1997) and Bill Moore (1995) as tournament medalists. He began play on Sunday tied for second, with Svoboda, just one stroke behind Krusoe after 36-holes of play. Ratay and Svoboda shot one-over par 71's for the day, while Krusoe dropped a stroke with a two-over 72 on the par 70, 6,464-yard Metacomet Country Club course. This marks the second time this season that Ratay has tied for a tournament championship as he also finished in a first place tie at the Wisconsin Invitational in the fall.

The junior standout made his run to the three-way championship on the strength of his play on the course's par five holes. For the weekend, Ratay averaged a 3.83 on the two par-fives, going seven-under for the six holes. As a team, the Irish had the second best round of the day as they shot a 10-over par 290 to finish with a 902 (307-305-290). Virginia Tech, ranked 22nd in the nation, was three strokes better than Notre Dame over the final 18 holes with a seven-over par 287 on the way to the Hokies' 875 (291-297-287). St. John's was second with an 884 (304-286-294) while Rutgers was third with an 897 (300-304-293), followed by Georgetown in fourth with a 900 (305-296-299) with Notre Dame fifth and Seton Hall sixth (904-298-300). Irish sophomore Kyle Monfort tied for the best single round of the final day as he fired a one-under par 69 on the way to a 15-over par total of 215 (78-78-69) which put him in a tie for 14th, 10 strokes behind the three top finishers.

Senior Alex Kent finished in a tie for 17th with a 54-hole total of 228 as he followed rounds of 77 and 76 on Saturday with a closing round 75.

Brandon Lutke was 27th on the weekend with a 237 mark as he turned in a 76 on Sunday after opening rounds of 84 and 77. Senior Pat Schaffler finished 28th overall as he shot a final round 72 to give him a 240 total (82-83-75).

The Big East Championship closed out the spring schedule for the Fighting Irish.

WOMEN'S LACROSSE

Notre Dame improves to 10-4 with win over Rutgers

Special to The Observer

The Notre Dame women's lacrosse team defeated both Rutgers and adversity in a penalty-stricken match Sunday. The Irish (10-4) defeated the Scarlet Knights (7-9) despite penalties and hard play by Big East foe Rutgers.

After 60 minutes of play, the scoreboard read 12-8. The score, however, did not reflect the game. Sunday was the last home game of the season for the Irish who honored their seniors before the game.

This year marked the first year that the graduating seniors were members of a recruiting class. The seniors were honored Sunday with a beautiful day, the largest crowd of the year and a victory giving them their first-ever 10-win season.

But the seniors were not the only ones making the game special. They were given a strong tribute by junior Natalie Coyne, sophomore Danielle Shearer and Jen White and freshman Kassen Delano.

The game started out well for the Irish as they opened up goals with Delano and Shearer.

Another Delano goal, both assisted by Shearer, came after a Rutgers score. Delano would later finish off her own hat trick and added three assists to lead the team with six points overall.

The next 15 minutes of the game became a duel between the two goalies as both teams were held scoreless. The Irish goalkeeper, White, ended up with nine saves.

The rest of the first half showcased back and forth scoring as neither team bugged in what would turn out to be a very intense game. The Irish led 5-4 going into the locker room.

The second half played out much the same when not looking at stats. Penalties were called almost constantly throughout play and one call forced a stoppage of play as Notre Dame head coach Tracy Coyne contested the ruling.

Despite the Irish maintaining most of the ball possession, it seemed as if the referees had it out for Notre Dame as frustration hit the players on the field. However, this seemed to only spark the Irish attack.

While still getting rock-solid play from White, the offense managed to get just transition from the defense and scored the first six goals of the second half.

White left the game with just under three minutes remaining in the game having given up only five goals for her nine saves.

Rutgers scored the final three goals bringing the final score to 12-8, but the score barely showed the play that occurred on the field. The Irish out shot the Scarlet Knights 29-22 as out drew Rutgers 10-9.

These numbers truly showed the intensity with which the two teams played while the score is misleading.

Notre Dame next plays at No. 10 Syracuse on May 5. The Irish will work on their best record in school history, hoping to make it 11 before the play-offs.

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Givens sheds some light on Irish expectations

It's almost May, and that can only mean one thing. Football.

As a lot of students are getting ready to leave campus for the summer, a select few are already looking forward to next fall.

The Notre Dame football team, which played the 72nd annual Blue-Gold spring game Saturday (don't ask about the score — I'm still trying to figure out that 17 point touchdown), is already in the midst of preparation for the 2001 season.

In what seems to be becoming a "Fox Sports ... Almost" tradition, if anyone besides myself remembers what I wrote about a year ago, I talked to rising senior wideout David Givens about everything from next season's goals to trash talking before the play starts.

Oh, and incidentally, it was announced on Saturday that David is one of the four co-captains of the 2001 squad.

I heard that rumors he would be featured in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

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TF: Do you think after this last season you proved to them [critics] that it's realistic to win it all, and were you guys satisfied with last season, or is there still a lot more you want to do?

DG: I think it's possible that we could win a national championship this coming year. It's our goal, still. As any player, it's going to be your goal every year coming into a season. It's an attainable goal. I'm not reaching too far. It's not a goal that I've set too high for us. But sure, that's the goal, coming up this year.

TF: After the 5-7 season, people were saying: "Notre Dame can't get players because their admissions standards are too high," and I remember you told me that: "We can play with anyone in the country." Do you think after last year ... you kind of showed people what you know all along?

DG: Yeah, I think we did make a pretty strong statement that having high academic standards doesn't make any difference as far as having good athletes. If it was a change of two different players, we could be [11-0] this year. The Michigan State game and the Nebraska game, we're one play away from winning both of those games.

So I think we did prove ourselves ... pretty well.

TF: Obviously, the Fiesta Bowl didn't go the way you guys wanted it to go. Can you just talk about that a little. In terms of the game itself, and if you guys now use that as something to ... motivate you for this upcoming season?

DG: The Fiesta Bowl wasn't a good display for our team as a whole. We played bad all the way around. It is a big motivation due to the fact that we think we are better this year as a team than we were last year. And we did make it to the Fiesta Bowl.

TF: It's just something that we can look forward to next year to go to a bigger bowl. But we don't sit there every day in practice and reminisce on the Fiesta Bowl.

That's behind us. We put the negative behind us and build on from there.

TF: No "Remember Tempo"?

DG: Yeah.

TF: Having a chance to go play a Nebraska at Nebraska — is that something you guys really look forward to being able to do this year?

DG: Any big game, we're looking forward to, period. Not necessarily playing them on the road, but I don't think that's going to be a factor. Last year we played Nebraska [at] home, and it felt like a road game. Playing them next year, away, is going to be just like playing them here last year. I didn't really appreciate that too much ... and I don't think any of my teammates did, and I hope that never happens again.

Those away games are just like home games. You go in the game focused, and it's time to play when the ball is kicked off. Whether it be home or away, it's time to play ball.

TF: When you line up as a wide receiver, do you look for anything in particular that you're thinking? Are you thinking about how you're going to beat the defensive back? Are you looking to the defensive back?

DG: First of all, every time I step on the field, no matter where it is, what position ... I feel like I'm the best player on the field. That's just my mentality, my focus on the field, there's nobody out there better than me. I may talk a little trash. Talking trash is not part of the game, but getting into the other player's head is part of the game.

TF: Now everyone's seen that you were a BCS team [last year]. Is there something that you still think that drives this team ... that people don't know about Notre Dame football right now, that you think when you guys go out there and take the field in September that you're going to surprise them again?

DG: I think the number one thing that we'll probably surprise people with is our speed this year. A lot of times, in the media, it says Notre Dame has no speed, they have no good athletes. But we've got at least 10 guys who ran either 4.4's, or 4.4's, or below. I think the number one thing will be our speed, and you'll see guys out there having fun. In the past, when we were 5-7, as a viewer of the game, sitting on the sideline, watching guys play, it looked like they weren't having too much fun. It probably looked the same in the audience. We will be enthusiastic out there, having fun, and you will see lots of guys flying around.

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NHL

St. Louis take 2-0 lead on Dallas

Associated Press

DALLAS

The St. Louis Blues are starting to look like the team that was so dominating this season.

Scott Young scored a short-handed goal, Marty Reasoner tapped in another goal and Roman Turek made 24 saves as the Blues beat the Dallas Stars 2-1 Thursday night to take a 2-0 lead in the second-round series.

Dallas played without center Mike Modano, who sprained his left ankle in the opener, and in the first period lost center Shaun Van Allen after he took a puck to his mouth. Forward John MacLean was lost to a bloody nose in the third period.

The best-of-seven series shifts to St. Louis for Game 3 Tuesday night and the Blues will have history on their side. They’ve won all nine series when winning the first two games, while the Stars haven’t overcome an 0-2 hole since 1968 in the franchise’s first-ever postseason series.

St. Louis also is playing at the same high level it enjoyed before injuries to several top players. Now healthy and having adjusted to several newcomers, the Blues have won four straight playoff games and not allowed a power-play goal in eight postseason games.

Reasoner, the surprise hero of Game 1 with two goals and an assist, scored easily 85 seconds into this game after Keith Tkachuk stole the puck from Dallas’ Darryl Sydor and pulled goalie Ed Belfour out of position.

Belfour was out of position again on Young’s goal midway through the first period, but this time it was his own fault.

Having overplayed Young’s rush to his left, Belfour was slow to set himself when Young -- St. Louis’ leading goal-scorer this season -- came from behind the net and fired on goal. The puck went in. Belfour’s leg.

The Blues’ goals came on their first and third shots. They wouldn’t beat Belfour again as he made some spectacular saves in snuffing their next 21 attempts on goal.

Dallas came out firing at Turek, getting off more shots in the first 15 minutes than in the first two periods of Game 1 combined. Turek handled them all, then saw only five shots in the second -- none for the first 9 1/2 minutes.

Joe Nieuwendyk redirected a pass from Brett Hull to spoil Turek’s shutout with 52 seconds left and Dallas playing with an empty net.

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Irish arms baffle Red Storm in weekend sweep

By CHRIS FEDERICO
Sport Writer

Notre Dame moved to within one win of the regular season Big East title with a three-game sweep of the St. John's Red Storm this weekend.

The Irish, now 40-6-1, reached the plateau of 40 wins faster than any other team in Notre Dame history.

The Big East sweep was very important in providing a confidence boost to the Irish after a tough mid-week loss to Valparaiso last Wednesday. Heading into the weekend, St. John's was the closest team behind Notre Dame in the Big East standings.

"A sweep over the No. 2 ranked team in the conference shows what we're capable of doing this year," said senior co-captain Alec Porzel.

The shortstop played a key role in Sunday's 7-3 victory over the Red Storm with a 2-for-4, three RBI performance that included a double and a home run.

The sweep ensured that the Irish could capture the Big East regular season title with only one win in its next six games against Connecticut and Boston College.

"This was a big weekend for us," said head coach Paul Mainieri. "We knew that St. John's would bring a good team, but our guys really stood up to the challenge.

Once again, the Irish got phenomenal performances from their starting pitchers. In the first game of the series, Aaron Heilman became the first Notre Dame pitcher to win his first 11 decisions of a season, going all seven innings for the victory.

Heilman's senior classmate Danny Tamayo followed suit in the second game with a gem of his own. The right-hander pitched a two-hit shutout, his third of the season, and lowered his ERA to 1.42. 01 of a run lower than his All-American teammate Heilman.

"I feel like I'm getting better with each game," said Tamayo, who made a strong plea for Big East Pitcher of the Week. "Our defense has been great behind us. That really gives you the confidence to throw any pitch you want.

On Sunday, sophomore J.P. Gagne added his own strong performance, allowing only two runs in seven innings of work to improve his record to 5-2.

"I actually didn't feel like I had my best stuff," said Gagne. "The last two innings I felt like I really had to make some tough pitches in certain situations. What gave me confidence was watching the first two pitchers (Heilman and Tamayo) going out and throwing so well on Saturday."

In the first game Saturday, the Irish provided all of the runs that Heilman would need in the first inning.

Steve Stanley started off the game with a double and then scored on Brian Stavisky's single. After Kris Billmaier and Paul O'Toole walked to load the bases, third baseman Andrew Bushey pushed the lead to 3-0 with a two-run single.

In the nightcap, Notre Dame plated one run in each of the first four innings to grab the early lead. Tamayo faced only three hitters over the minimum in the 5-0 victory.

On Sunday, the Irish scored seven runs getting solid contributions at the plate from Porzel, Bushey, and O'Toole. The three combined went 7-for-11 with all seven of the team's RBIs.

With their strong weekend play, the Irish will likely retain their No. 1 ranking as they return to action Tuesday night at Michigan.
Softball

Irish sweep weekend doubleheaders with Eagles, Friars

By PETER FRASSO
Sports Writer

This past weekend, while most of the campus’ thoughts were on football, the Notre Dame women's softball team worked on their own season, sweeping two doubleheaders and extending their winning streak to 29 games, the longest in the nation.

On Saturday and Sunday, No. 9 Notre Dame beat Boston College and Providence, respectively. The Irish are now 47-3 on the year, and still undefeated and in first place in the Big East at 16-0.

"Our goal is to keep it going," said coach Liz Miller. "We still need to take every game one at a time. Our pitching has been great, and lately our bats have been strong."

In game 1 on Saturday, Notre Dame beat Boston College 4-2, the closest score of the weekend. Pitcher Jen Sharron threw a complete game, only allowing two hits, two walks and two unearned runs while striking out 14.

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While Notre Dame never trailed, Boston College kept the game close by scoring in both the fourth and sixth.

Game 2 was highlighted by the outstanding pitching of Kristin Schmidt, who only allowed two hits, two walks and two unearned runs while striking out 14.

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In game 1 against Providence on Sunday, the Notre Dame bashed its way to victory with 10 runs on 12 hits in only four innings. The game was called on the eight-run mercy rule. Melanie Alkire was 3-for-3. Both she and Myers had two RBIs. Sharron allowed only three Providence hits on the day.

Game 2 was a 5-0 win, giving the Irish an undefeated weekend. Schmidt pitched six shutout innings, lowering her ERA to 0.43.

Myers and Lemire provided the bulk of the offense, both going 2-for-3.

Lately, the Irish have had important players stepping up.

"Lizzy Lemire, over the past week, has hit over .400 with nine RBIs. Jarrah Myers has hit .562. Alexis Madrid has hit 400 with three game-winning RBIs. Jenny Kriech has nine triples over the season," said Miller, noting how her team has grown offensively.

This upcoming week, the Irish face Bowling Green in a make-up on Wednesday, and then finish their Big East schedule with road games against Villanova and Rutgers.

"Bowling Green is going to be a good game. Villanova is in second place in the Big East," said Miller, commenting on the upcoming schedule. "These are tough games."

Miller remains confident in her team.

"If we play our game, we should win the Big East," she said.

An Irish softball player attempts to bunt in a game earlier this season. Notre Dame improved to 16-0 in the Big East with wins over Boston College and Providence this weekend.

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Men's Lacrosse

Irish beat Crimson 16-4 in regular season finale

By JOE LICANDRO
Sports Writer

In the last regular season game of their careers, the seniors of the Notre Dame's men's lacrosse team played their hearts out in a dominating 16-4 victory against Harvard.

Led by five goals and three assists from senior attackman Tom Glazet and another tremendous performance in net by senior Kirk Howell, the Irish crushed the visiting Crimson to win their 12th game of the season. The game was a physical affair as both teams racked up numerous penalties, but the Irish were clearly the stronger and tougher team.

"It was a physical game, but we played hard the whole game," said Glazet. "We scored a lot of our goals with an extra man advantage. We made the most of our opportunities all game." The first goal of the game by senior Todd Ulrich typified the Irish's entire season. After being knocked around and continually shoved by Harvard defenders, Ulrich refused to quit as he motored toward the goal and shot a rocket right past the outstretched stick of the Harvard goalie Jake McKenna for the first of his three goals in the game.

Harvard scored the next two goals and take a 2-1 lead at the end of the first quarter, but the Irish did not panic. The Irish scored five unanswered goals in the second quarter to take a commanding 7-2 lead. The difference in the second quarter was the Irish's passing on offense. The Irish constantly found the open man and set themselves up for some excellent looks at the net. No player set his teammates up more than senior Chris Young, who finished with five assists.

The third quarter belonged to Glazet, as he scored four goals in a row to give the Irish an 11-4 lead. Glazet's last goal of the game and team-leading 35th of the season exemplified his ability when he caught the ball in mid-air, turned his stick and fired a shot past the Harvard goalie.

In the fourth quarter, Irish coach Kevin Corrigan replaced his seniors with freshmen and sophomores. When goalie Kirk Howell was pulled from the game, the Irish crowd gave him a standing ovation. After the game, Howell described his emotions. "It's a little sad because I loved playing here," Howell said. "The season isn't over yet. I think we still have a lot to prove to ourselves. I think we're ready for the NCAA tournament."

The fourth quarter featured four more goals for the Irish and an extremely bizarre incident. With about seven minutes remaining in the game, a crazed, naked fan streaked across the middle of the field causing the Irish bench to roar with laughter.

Despite the distraction, the Irish carried on with business as usual as freshman Dan Bergen added his first career goal and a minute later senior Kevin Dugan added the finishing touches to the win. "We controlled the entire game. The only time they scored is when we let them by making a few silly mistakes," said Corrigan. "Our defense was great and our passing made the difference on offense."

The Irish now await their seeding for the NCAA tournament. Corrigan believes this could be his best team ever entering the post-season.

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Givens earns MVP honors for offensive unit

By ANDREW SOUKUP
Associate Sports Editor

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Football

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Freshman quarterback Carlyle Holiday takes the hand off in Saturday's Blue-Gold game. Holiday was effective running the ball for the Irish offense.

- Quarterbacks get opportunity to showcase talent

You can't help but wonder what in the world Bob Davie is thinking. After Saturday's scrimmage, Davie said that having three equally talented quarterbacks was his "best case scenario." If this is Davie's best case scenario, you wonder what his worst case scenario is. Davie surely is lucky. He gets the pleasure of figuring out how to give them all equal snaps in practice. He has the wonderful opportunity to find a way to maintain strong team chemistry while make an offense fit the playing style of all three quarterbacks.

And come the fall, Davie, that lucky son of a gun, gets to decide which quarterback gets the ball when the game is on the line.

Based on what we've seen of Davie this year, we have to think he's definitely doing a good job. Davie is learning quickly and his work is paying off.

Andrew Soukup
Associate Sports Editor

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Nylon Strokers: "This has been a dream"

By KATHLEEN O'BRIEN
Sports Staff Writer

The glass slipper turned out to be a perfect fit for the Nylon Strokers, as the sixth-ranked squad finished its Cinderella run through Bookstore Basketball 2001 with a 21-19 upset upset No. 1 Five Reasons Your Girl Left You. "This has been a dream since freshman year," said the Nylon Strokers' Brian Oleniczak, a senior. Nylon Strokers entered the championship game a heavy underdog. Five Reasons, with four seniors on its squad, had rolled through the tournament, not giving up more than seven points until Friday's quarterfinals. Nylon Strokers had fought through tough games from the round of 64 on.

"Every single game since 64 has been a battle for us," said Oleniczak, "but we just persevered through it all. I don't think anybody really expected us to win."

But the Nylon Strokers sprinted out to a 7-2 start. Their shooting was so on that the basket seemed to have a magnet pulling the ball through.

The Nylon Strokers were dead on in their goal of expanding their offense beyond tournament MVP Al Vitter, who scored nine points in the semifinals. Nylon Strokers had fought through tough moments by knocking down a gamewinning shot (above) in a 21-19 victory over top-ranked Five Reasons Your Girl Left You. Vitter, the Tournament MVP, led the Nylon Strokers to the 2001 Bookstore Basketball championship.

As on as the Nylon Strokers were from the finals, Five Reasons' hoop had a protective seal over it in the early going. All the shots normally made by the strong shooting team rimmed out, bounced the wrong way or rolled around the rim and fell to the side.

"We just came out slow," said Five Reasons' Dan Lustig. "But we got it going a minute later, Ryan dropped in a hook shot. Lustig returned to his shooting form of the semifinals by hitting a long jumper. After a Nylon Strokers travel and foul, Ryan made another free throw to put the score at 17-15.

"We were running short of time and Ryan had the ball on the bounce. Lustig hit a jumper from about 9 feet out of reach for Five Reasons.

But everyone involved."

Chris Conway
Nylon Strokers

momentum by knocking down a jump shot. Oleniczak pushed his team ahead 16-9 with a basket, with the game looking all but out of reach for Five Reasons. After the score went to 17-10, Nylon Strokers, Five Reasons began what was almost the biggest comeback of the quarterfinals, Pete Ryan leading the surge. The Nylon Strokers committed their 10th foul, sending Ryan to the free throw line, who knocked down the shot.

Lustig swept the ball from Nylon Strokers, launching it ahead to Ryan for a basket. A minute later, Ryan dropped in a hook shot. Lustig returned to his shooting form of the semifinals by hitting a long jumper. After a Nylon Strokers travel and foul, Ryan made another free throw to put the score at 17-15.

"We just wanted to chip away at the lead," said Ryan. "We said we weren't going to go down without a fight, because we didn't really played our best."

Five Reasons held Nylon Strokers scoreless on yet another possession. After a missed Five Reasons shot, Five Reasons' Dan Reidy battled for the rebound, but instead of a jump ball being called, the referee blew his whistle for a foul. Oleniczak sank the free throw and the comeback passed.

Lustig forced a foul with his patented pump fake, knocking down the free throw. But the Nylon Strokers' Ryan Wood made a reverse layup, followed by a long baseline jumper by Conway to make it a 20-16.

"We tried to fight our way back in," said Lustig, "but they had already pulled out a decent lead on us."

Reidy tried to will his team the win by hitting a jump shot. Ryan and Lustig each followed with jumpers to nearly knot the score at 20-19.

The sifting of defensive stops ended there for Five Reasons. Vitter launched a shot from the top of the key. It hit the front of the rim, bounced back and dropped through the net for the 21-19 Nylon Strokers' victory.

"Scoring hadn't really been our problem all day long," said Vitter, "so I was pretty confident we could get one or two more in."

Vitter was right.

"It was good to have Al, the MVP, hitting it," said Oleniczak. "He was joking with me, I had hit the last shot the last three or four games. I let him have that one. I gave him that one to finish."

And finish he did.
By KATHLEEN O'BRIEN  
Senie Staff Writer

The Bookstore Basketball championships almost went down to a No. 1 vs. No. 2 battle just last year, but the sixth-ranked Nylon Strokers mixed things up with a 21-19 semifinals upset Saturday of second-ranked Versatility. Top-seeded Majestics, led by senior Ruth Riley, former point guard Martin Ingelsby, Project Mayhem's Luke Mueller, former head bookstore commissioner Brian Borger, Versatility's Chris Dillon and NDToday.com's Todd Tines, "It was a fun, back-and-forth game," said Brown. "It was probably the least stressful situation I've ever played in," added Mueller.  

Siemon and Riley, in their last officiated game at Notre Dame, each had five points. Holiday, who didn't show any fatigue after Saturday's Blue-Gold game, "I was fairly familiar with Ruth's game," said Siemon. "I was proud of our team, our kids, point guard and Carlyle Holiday played well, but I'm going to miss those guys. At the end of the game, I wanted to cry. But I held back my emotions for the fans."  

"The Bookstore Basketball competition is a gentle reminder that we're just people who play in the Hall of Fame game. We try to get celebrities and athletes that everyone wants to see on the court, and also players who made it to 16 or 18 and deserve to be recognized," said commissioner Brigit Mosahan.  

Celebrities, athletes take court in Hall of Fame game

By KATIE HUGHES  
Sports Writer

The Bookstore Basketball championship was a fun, laid-back event, and a great opportunity for celebrities and athletes to play basketball in the Hall of Fame game. The MJ Bookstore Basketball event was held at the MJ Bookstore in South Bend, Indiana, with former Notre Dame basketball star Mike Brown, current basketball star Chris Dillon, and other celebrity guests. The MJ Bookstore Basketball event was a great opportunity for fans of the MJ Bookstore to see their favorite athletes in action. The MJ Bookstore Basketball event was a fun and exciting way to bring the MJ Bookstore community together.
Bookstore Basketball brings back high school glory days

Crowds full of friends cheering you on. Mental pictures of a tri-umphant finale. Dreams dashed in defeat. Fantasies fulfilled with a run of vic-tories.

Bookstore Basketball is like high school all over again. Most of us at Notre Dame, an athletics-obsessed school by any mea-sure, played high school sports. Most of us, save the few lucky and talented enough to play for a varsity team at Notre Dame, let our athletics careers behind after high school graduation.

Bookstore offers the chance to return to the days when we lived for the competition. While there are teams out just to have a good time, there are also the legit ballers, the ones who started on their varsity squads in high school, who turned down offers to play basketball for Division II and III programs to come to Notre Dame.

For the true hoops junkies, Bookstore is serious business. As the competition at Bookstore run came to an end, the players competing for the coed tournament in celebration.

The crowds take the wins and losses personally — these are the fans’ roommates, best friends, boyfriends and classmates going head-to-head. Just like in high school, when your closest friend came to call your volleyball games no matter how boring he thought the games were, and your closest friends never missed a soccer game even if it was pouring down rain.

Bookstore brings people out en masse to cheer for their friends. Like in high school, we don’t all get to end our careers in a blaze of glory. But the possibility of vic-tory makes it worth risking the sting of defeat. The opinions expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.
Nylon Strokers' Chris Conway tries to drive around Dan Reidy of Five Reasons Your Girl Left You in Sunday's Bookstore Basketball finals.

### Bookstore Basketball XXX

Dan Lustig, a first-team all-tournament selection, shoots over Nylon Strokers' Chris Conway Sunday in the Bookstore Basketball championships.

Pete Ryan of Five Reasons Your Girl Left You looks to lay in a bucket in his team's 22-16 semifinals victory over Verzatillity, while both teams prepare to go for the rebound.

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The 580-team Bookstore Basketball XXX tournament came to a close this weekend. The sixth-ranked Nylon Strokers capped off a surprise run through the tourney by halting No. 1 Five Reasons Your Girl Left You's comeback attempt with a 21-19 victory in the championships Sunday at the Stepan courts.