Officials detail bar renovations

By JASON McFARLEY
News Editor

The university’s top student life official unveiled Monday plans for major renovations in the Alumni-Senior Club, a venue whose use for social gatherings student groups had long urged administrators to expand.

In the first public disclosure of the renovations, Father Mark Poorman, vice president for Student Affairs, told the Campus Life Council that changing the club to a sports-themed restaurant and bar will allow all students to socialize together on campus.

“We have heard the message loud and clear that we need social venues on campus that bring together undergraduate and graduate students,” Poorman said, addressing the CLL for the first time in more than two years.

As presented Monday, the plans will increase the club’s area by some 50 percent, from about 10,000 square feet to more than 15,000, according to a Jan. 21 project cost summary from the Office of the University Architect. The summary estimated total cost for the initiative at more than $2 million.

The revamped facility will be ready for use in fall 2003, put it, so he engineered a deal with the Slovakian government in which its leaders paid for the relocation of Jews from Slovakia to Auschwitz, where those who were physically able would work for the Germans, and those who were not would be killed.

“Suddenly the history of the camp became a part of reality,” Van Pelt said, “a 20th century picture involving the immi­gration of Germans” to staff the factory at Auschwitz, ethnic cleansing, and the re-introduc­tion of “German purity,” accord­ing to Van Pelt.

After studying original concen­tration camp blueprints at the site, Van Pelt was appalled at the scale of the mass destruction and premeditation behind the func­tionality of Auschwitz’s design. Van Pelt learned that the gas chambers and ovens built under the structures were only as good

Speaker discusses architecture’s role in the Holocaust

By MEGHAN MARTIN
News Writer

There is a connection between the architecture and function of German concentration camps at Auschwitz and the Third Reich, according to Robert Jan van Pelt, a full-time profes­sor at the University of Waterloo in Ontario, Canada.

Working with Carroll William Westfall, chair of Notre Dame’s School of Architecture, van Pelt, who has studied the relationship for the last decade and a half verified the normative nature of classical Athenian design.

“Something is normative,” van Pelt said in an interview with The Observer Monday. “It deserves to be repeated.”

Van Pelt’s next task was to determine what society, if any, had attempted to re-create the structure of ancient Greece. All signs pointed to Nazi Germany.

After pouring over examples of German households, funerary architecture, monuments, and governmental buildings con­structed during the Third Reich, van Pelt noted striking similarities between the architecture of such structures and the archi­tecture of their ancient Athenian counterparts.

Van Pelt’s study of Nazi-era structures inevitably led him to the concentration camps. According to van Pelt, they became the “garbage bins for the contradictions” of a society that believed that the “German glory” of the Austro-Hungarian Empire could be re-created by a pure Aryan race.

The apotheosis of this German plan centered around plans for an eastern Utopia, in the small, unsuspecting Polish town of Oswiecim, better known to western audiences as Auschwitz.

Through his research of the concentration camp’s architect­ural structure and its dedica­tion to efficiency and compet­ence in the extermination of the Jewish in Europe, van Pelt stumbled upon a map contain­ing plans for revamping the town of Auschwitz. The strategies for urban revital­ization were ironic and out of place in a location built specifi­cally to carry out the destruction of an entire people. The defen­sor discovered from this docu­ment that Auschwitz was slated to play a prominent role in the larger scheme for German dom­ination of eastern Europe.

Van Pelt was soon to unearth an agreement between industri­al giant I.G. Farbenindustrie and Nazi leaders to build a syn­thetic gas and rubber plant in the town, far removed from the threat of British bombers. A deal had been struck between the two entities that, should the company build the factory, the Nazi regime would provide both

the workers and German­designed housing for plant administrators.

The plans that van Pelt found were designs for the re-creation of medieval Auschwitz, a town which Hitler had claimed to have a German culture as a result of its location along the border of Austria-Hungary and Russia earlier in German history.

With building plans already in place, Heinrich Himmler, officer in charge of the small concen­tration camp that had been established outside of Auschwitz, was charged with the task of providing enough workers to build it. As a result of the military conflict that Germany was simultaneously engaged in, Himmler turned to Slovakia.

As van Pelt put it, “Himmler got control of the ‘Jewish prob­lem.’ He needed Jewish labor and control over Jewish labor.”

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**INSIDE COLUMN**

**The perfect road trip**

I have high standards. They shouldn't be too long, they shouldn't be too short. I've had some good, memorable ones, and some that were just miserable experiences that I couldn't wait to get to the end of.

You can't have them every weekend or you would get much too tired. I've come to realize, but I've never experienced one that I would give a score of a perfect 10. Road trips, that is. Sometimes, you gotta bust out.

The elements of a good road trip:

1. A Good Shotgun Rider. Compared to shotgun, back seat riders are virtually invisible. They are there in the event the road trip food chain, poking their necks between the front seats between naps.

2. The basic duties of toll money finding, CD changing, snack opening, and "can we get over?" begging can give the shotgunner a solid score. But for a perfect 10, major navigation through ghettos and never getting wrong when answering "stay on or get off?" what does that signify? SPEŽ-smal torrent questions from the driver are also required.

3. Music. Regardless of any ska or techno ten­dencies of any of or all the road trip, "Free Fallin, "American Pie, " and "Tiny Dancer" make even the most machismo road trippers go all Thelma-and-Louise-ish, and yet mellow at the very same time. Bag songs from Office Space may be interspersed if the driver is in a slump.

Since you are road tripping from Notre Dame, the entire U2 Greatest Hits album will be un­controllable magnetic force begin to play after 2.6 hours. Do not, I repeat, do not

4. Just enough to make a mix CD

5. The Destination. The actual destination of the road trip itself, it is its most valuable part of the road trip itself, it is its most valuable.

6. The Stories. Though this is technically not a road trip, it is the most valuable result. When explaining details to those who have not even attempted the perfect road trip, always exaggerate.

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**BEYOND CAMPUS**

University of Arizona cuts 128 courses and jobs

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**QUOTES OF THE WEEK**

_"We gotta take it back to the road where we really like to play ... We don't talk about it, but we have a little bit of a road presence."_  - Mike Brey

_"People started congratulating us last week when the other ticket ... dropped, but I didn't realize that the process was far from over."_  - Kim Jenson

_"I could have sworn through a brick wall at that point because the team was going crazy for me."_  - Adam Cahlil

**University of Wisconsin**

Baby born in dorm bathroom dies

MADISON, Wis.

A baby girl born in a University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire residence hall bathroom died Sunday. Julianna Marie Hubbard died at the St. Joseph's Hospital in Marshfield, reportedly from a lack of oxygen at the time of birth, an Eau Claire County deputy medical examiner said. She was in critical condition at the hospital.

The full story was only Jan. 29 to Karen Hubbard, a UW-Eau Claire freshman who died after giving birth in a bathroom stall of Oak Ridge Hall, the all-girl dorm in which Hubbard lived. An autopsy revealed excessive bleeding caused by complications with childbirth resulted in Hubbard's death. Emergency personnel reportedly found Hubbard, 19, in a bathroom stall not breathing and with the pulse last Tuesday. When an employee removed Hubbard from the stall, he found the baby girl.

A student reportedly began CPR procedures on the baby while officers attempted to revive Hubbard.

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**AFGHANISTAN**

**Russian official promises support**

Associated Press

KABUL

Russia's foreign minister visited Kabul on Monday to pledge support for helping Afghanistan recover from 25 years of war and instability that began when the Soviet Union invaded the country.

Igor Ivanov met with interim Prime Minister Hamid Karzai to discuss rebuilding efforts, and was to leave the country later in the day.

"Mr. Karzai and other Afghan Ministers assured me that they will do their best to prevent any threats of terrorism, extremism, drug-dealing and so-on for Russia from Afghanistan territory," Ivanov said. "It is very important and principal for us, because we know very well what those threats are. We have been targets of those terrorist organizations based in Afghanistan."

Russia has supported the U.S.-led anti-terrorism campaign in part because it is also interested in weakening radical Islamic groups. Those groups include rebels fighting in the breakaway republic of Chechnya and in former Soviet republics of Central Asia.

Russia is concerned that Osama bin Laden's al-Qaida network has been training Chechen rebels and militants with the Islamic Movement of Uzbekistan, a group active in Uzbekistan, Tajikistan and Kyrgyzstan. Russia fears that instability in those former Soviet republics could spread into Russia proper.

Since the defeat of the Taliban in November, Russia has extended humanitarian aid to Afghanistan, sending in workers to set up a field hospital and leading work to reopen the Salang Tunnel between Kabul and the north. The tunnel was originally built to assist the Soviet invasion. The Soviet Union invaded Afghanistan in December 1979. More than 115,000 Soviet soldiers fought there, and an estimated 13,000 were killed and 35,000 wounded before the Red Army pulled out in February 1989.

On Monday, Ivanov flew into Kabul airport, a battered airstrip still littered with burned-out remains of military transport aircraft, amid tight security.

Dozens of soldiers carrying assault rifles and rocket-propelled grenade launchers stood guard. The plaster facade of one building near the airport's main terminal was still pockmarked with bullet holes from past fighting.

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**Another casualty in Afghanistan: the environment**

**INTERNATIONAL NEWS**

Like the stability of its new government, Afghanistan's environmental outlook is unsure. But predictions are dire, given years of war, intense drought and the destruction of infrastructure. Until a United Nations team completes its planned environmental assessment, experts can only speculate on how conditions in the country have declined.

Generally higher than the American Rocky Mountains, the rugged Hindu Kush mountains bisect the country and dictate much of its weather.

Agriculture

Land use in Afghanistan is defined by extremes, but it's a land on which its people depend. An estimated 80 percent rely on agriculture.

Withering dryness

Drought magnifies other damage. For example, without water to replenish vegetation, overgrazing by livestock could take years to reverse.

**A varied landscape**

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**Species under pressure**

Snow leopard pelts can fetch thousands of dollars. Probably fewer than 100 of the endangered cats survive. Other species are more valuable as food.
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no one is running on social justice this year, long as they're running on what they believe is best for the University in the next elections. Although Smith is the only former candidate in this year's election, she has attended brainstorming sessions for the University's student governing council, held at University Center. Smith and Andre are the only candidates who have expressed an interest in social justice issues, and this year's election seems to reflect this.

One of the candidates running for president is Maria McCord, who says that she has incorporated some social justice concerns into their platform. McCord says that she has taken the issue of alcohol and drug abuse seriously, and has included it in her platform. She says that she has been in touch with the Notre Dame Alcohol Commission, and that she plans to work with them to address this issue.

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Poorman said that the plans include several key changes to the club.

- Expansion of the dance floor to accommodate 400 people
- Expansion of the restaurant area to seat 190 patrons
- Addition of a restaurant-style kitchen
- Addition of offices and a storage room
- Renovated game room

Poorman's announcement followed a two-and-a-half year study by his office into existing social spaces available to students on and off-campus. Poorman said that the study was important to the University because it is the role of student government to actually create social spaces.

"There are so many different things going on on campus... The part the student government plays in service is definitely," Poorman said. "Student government can help in publicizing different avenues that students can get involved in service.

For that reason we decided that there is nothing missing from the student body election by involving all social conscience candidates in the election, which is exactly what we're doing," Poorman said.

"A lot of students are doing service. Student government doesn't need to make new initiatives," she said.

"We've received so many explicit that they are not social justice candidates," Poorman said.

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However, Fieco added that he hopes to have his platform be more explicit that they are not social justice candidates.

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as the number of corpses they could incinerate in a day. Van Pelt also noted with horror the meticulous design of the entrance, "The Gate of Death," which was drawn and redrawn to better accommodate the trains that transported prisoners to their deaths and the large transformers of electricity that were used to electrify the barber wire surrounding the camp. "Here we see a war crime in progress, done by an architect," said Van Pelt.

The issue of ethics and morals in architecture became another point to Van Pelt's lecture, as such. As such, Auschwitz has now become a symbol of the capabilities for human intolerance, but has also assumed a symbolic role as the center of the "Holocaust denial." Van Pelt, armed with architectural records to add to the massiveness of other evidences, has made it his duty to refute such theories that the Holocaust never happened.

"The Holocaust was not an accident of history...it was not a collateral of war," said Van Pelt.

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Creating an intercultural family

Wednesday, February 6th 5:30 pm

Center for Social Concerns

Please RSVP @ 1-864-3
Space station loses power: A computer failure knocked out the international space station's guidance system Monday and prevented the power-generating solar wings from pointing toward the sun. To conserve power, the three men aboard the space station turned off secondary equipment as a precaution.

Ethnic clashes in Nigeria escalate: Gangs of youths armed with machetes, swords, and bows and arrows took to the streets of Lagos Monday in a third day of ethnic bloodletting in Nigeria's commercial capital. At least 55 people have been killed. Grabbing what possessions they could, thousands fled as plumes of black smoke rose from the city's slums. The violence was the latest blow to a city still shaken by explosions at an army munitions depot that killed at least 1,000 people last week.

Bush, Blair nominated for Nobels: President Bush and British Prime Minister Tony Blair have been nominated for the 2002 Nobel Peace Prize for fighting terrorism and securing world peace, a Norwegian lawmaker announced Monday. The Nobel Prize winners are named in mid-October and the awards are always presented on Dec. 10, the day their founder, Swedish industrialist Alfred Nobel, died in 1896.

Police search for Texas inmates: Discarded jail clothing, clumps of black hair are always presented on Dec. 10, the day their founder, Swedish industrialist Alfred Nobel, died in 1896.

South

McCain has surgery to remove lesion

McCain's office said the lesion, a tiny freckle on the left side of the senator's nose, was not life-threatening.

The office first said the lesion was an early case of melanoma, but the senator later clarified that the lesion had not developed into cancer. He said it could have turned cancerous if it had not been treated.

McCain had a lesion removed from his upper arm in 1993 and his temple during his 2000 presidential campaign.

McCain said he noticed a slight discoloration on his nose two or three weeks ago, prompting a biopsy that determined it was nonmalignant.

The procedure was performed at Mayo Clinic Hospital. McCain was under local anesthesia during the surgery.

McCain is scheduled to undergo plastic surgery late Tuesday afternoon. Doctors will move some skin from an adjacent area to cover the scar left by the surgery.

The senator, who expects to head back to Capitol Hill next week, will likely spend Tuesday night in the hospital. He was spending Monday night at home.

Mexican President Vicente Fox shakes hands with Cuban President Fidel Castro in Havana. Castro invited Fox for a one-day visit, where Fox asked for the release of political prisoners.

Fox presses Castro on human rights

Mexican President Vicente Fox presses Castro on human rights in Havana, Cuba, Thursday, May 8, 2002. Fox asked for the release of political prisoners. (AP Photo/Omar Torres)
Kansas upholds anti-sodomy law

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Rev. Mario Vizcaino, Director, Southeast Pastoral Institute "Cuban Catholic Pastoral Issues and Concerns"
Dr. Sixto Garcia, Theologian, St. Vincent DePaul Seminary, Boynton Beach, Florida "Reconciliation" Theology and Practice among Cubans"
The Bush administration's proposed 2003 Pentagon budget weaves billions for high-tech weapons and the war against terrorism with old-style pay boosts for the troops, forging a $37 billion spending proposal that represents the biggest increase in two decades.

"We need to be agile, we need to be quick to move. We need to recruit the best," Bush said, garnering the loudest applause in mentioning his proposed 4.1 percent hike in basic pay for the military.

Rumsfeld said Monday the Pentagon's spending would be devoted to the war on terrorism in the proposed spending plan for the first year in office, the Pentagon budget sent to Congress Tuesday, Feb. 5, 2007.

"I don't want the American people to have to begin a dialogue that will say 'God, let's get rid of the war and bring about Danny's safe release,'" Steiger said.

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Transportation always an adventure in Africa

Maita Uranga

Life in Africa

Transportation in Mauritania is an adventure. It is like one long and sometimes hellish amusement park ride. Before even getting into or onto the mode of transportation, the excitement begins. Getting the one kilometer to the market to my village involves first sitting alongside the road at a seemingly arbitrary point that everyone knows. One day the spot moved. Perhaps one day it will move back. After a while, the donkey cart comes and about 10 people pile in. Everyone is carrying something: new clothes, watermelons, children, unidentifiable animal parts or lots of vegetables. Fifteen minutes later the cart jolts forward. Everyone nearly falls off and then we all right. I still do not quite know the balance of riding on a donkey cart. I am always a small bump away from plummeting to the ground. It is easy for about the first 50 feet as we go on pavement. But then there is a hard right-hand turn that sends us seemingly out of control down a hill. Eventually our momentum slows and we plod towards the village of Toule. In about 20 minutes we arrive at the donkey cart stop. The ride to the capital from Toule is supposed to take five hours. I have only had the joy of taking this trip twice round trip. Each time I go to the taxi garage around 9.30 a.m. The first time we left at 3 p.m. It all depends on when the taxi gets full. My usual choice of transportation is a four-door Mercedes from around the 1970s. Six people is the standard carrying capacity. Four in the back, two in the passenger seat and the driver. For short distances this number increases. If I am really lucky sometimes there are two people in the driver’s seat which makes the ride more exciting. The price for this all depends on how much I feel like arguing that day.

Once the car actually leaves the garage the saga continues. There are police stops about every half an hour: the purpose of these is I am not entirely sure. During my first trip at the first police post outside of Toule they stopped us and refused to let us continue (the driver would not pay the bribe). Everyone got out of the car and the driver returned to the garage to get some official paper and returned an hour later. During this time we sat in the shade of the guards shack having no idea whether our driver would actually return. Another trip during Ramadan a man puked away from us because men and women are not supposed to touch during this time. 60 kilometers later the same man bought a goat leg at one of our stops and put it behind his head in the back seat. His friend brought a live mutton and the driver put it in the trunk with the rest of the luggage. Periodically we could hear it kick.

Another trip I had the privilege of sitting next to a four-year-old girl who ate the entire time. By the end of the drive I had yogurt, chocolate, bananas and milk all over my arm. Every trip we stop at least twice for prayer. If the tape player works, we get to listen to some semblance of Koranic chanting for at least an hour. I have heard that some days the 5 hours turn into 24 and require everyone to sleep on the sand dunes for the night.

Maita Uranga graduated from Notre Dame in 2000 as an anthropology and government major. She is currently a Peace Corps volunteer in the Islamic Republic of Mauritania. The essays express the author’s views and not necessarily those of The Observer.
US Middle-East policy dangerously unbalanced

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ALBUM REVIEW

Master P’s latest, Game Face, fails to score big

By LAURA ROMPF
Scene Music Critic

One might say the lastest contributions Master P has made to the rap music scene, aside from his recent hit Lil’ Romeo and the annoying yet catchy “Uh” song that found on each tune he has participated in since “Make ‘em say Uh.” With a few exceptions, his latest album Game Face, will not silence the critics. The first single “Oooohhhhhweee” is lighting up the charts on rap stations on their successive albums. all released by their label Bomber Records. Master P, along sounding a bit like Tupac, while Game Face, will not silence the critics.

The band has developed their own very unique sound, and in “Real Love,” with background vocals by Sera-Lynn, Master P sounds a bit like Tupac, while another famous rapper, as he says, “I ain’t a rapper, but I’m an all-nighter.” The song is fun and upbeat, and could be destined for heavy radio play. Sera-Lynn’s hook, “I like the way you do me baby, keep it real, I like the way you feel it real.” flows easily with Master P’s lyrics. Both “The Block” and “A Woman” are short tracks, but are produced well and have well written, novel lyrics. Once again, Master P sounds a bit like Tupac, especially in “The Block,” where he laments about ghetto life. A huge problem with both pop artists versions, they’ve been in the business for a while, they start writing about their lives as rappers or famous people.

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Live album showcases Dispatch’s diverse talents

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December of 2001 saw the release of Gut the Van, a double live album showcasing the highpoints of up and coming band Dispatch’s 2001 tour. Drawing mainly from songs on their latest release, the band has taken their strongest following, the material comes from all four of the albums the group has put out since forming in 1995.

The first album title makes reference to their rickety bus, the Belfry, while the second album follows suit, the band has developed their own unique sound, and in “Real Love,” with background vocals by Sera-Lynn, Master P sounds a bit like Tupac, while another famous rapper, as he says, “I ain’t a rapper, but I’m an all-nighter.” The song is fun and upbeat, and could be destined for heavy radio play. Sera-Lynn’s hook, “I like the way you do me baby, keep it real, I like the way you feel it real.” flows easily with Master P’s lyrics. Both “The Block” and “A Woman” are short tracks, but are produced well and have well written, novel lyrics. Once again, Master P sounds a bit like Tupac, especially in “The Block,” where he laments about ghetto life. A huge problem with both pop artists versions, they’ve been in the business for a while, they start writing about their lives as rappers or famous people.

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Gut the Van, the new double live album by Dispatch, establishes the group as an electrifying and dynamic live act beyond their success in the studio.

The most notable examples of this can be seen in “Here We Go” from Bang Bang, whose two minute intros slowly draw the listener into the momentum of the song before bowing them over with its rapid-fire lyrics and acoustic riff. Moreover, the mediocre “Bullet” from their first album, Silent Screams, becomes as exciting as anything else Dispatch has done with the addition of keyboards and funky guitar solos between the verses.

So as not to disappoint their less devoted fans, “The Block” and “A Woman” also include more of their favorite songs from their most recent album. In fact, the first two tracks “Open Up” and “Passerby” come back in the live recordings of the total 12 tracks. However, the live versions are noticeably more energetic and also, in almost every case, longer as the band seems to be treading into the feared “jam band” territory.

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Bad Religion find the perfect Process for punk

By TOM O'CONNELL
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Bad Religion is one of the bands responsible for bringing punk rock to the mainstream. In 1980 they scraped together enough money to produce their first album and their record label, Epitaph, was born. Since then, they have grown a reasonably large fan base, which is unique for a genre that is usually more on the fringes of mainstream. Bad Religion put forth some quality efforts in the 1990s, with such moderately successful albums as Generator, No Control and Stranger Than Fiction. While continuing to make their own records, Bad Religion have spent the last 20 years grooming and producing other punk rock acts such as NoFX, Minor Threat and their first platinum-selling band, The Offspring.

Lead singer/guitarist Greg Graffin and lead guitarist Brett Gurewitz are responsible for most of Bad Religion’s songwriting, and their unique styles reflect well off each other. Gurewitz is the better musician, writing some of the better guitar riffs, while Graffin’s intelligent lyrics and conflicting harmonies give the songs a deep meaning. The vocabulary used in Bad Religion songs is always sophisticated and complex, prompting the listener to occasionally refer to a dictionary to understand just what the hell the songs are actually about.

In the late 1990s, Brett Gurewitz split with the band so that he could run Epitaph full time. The band did not take his departure well, and a small feud followed. Bad Religion are long known for their social messages, and this album is no different. “Materialist” is a song about rejecting the social conformity brought upon us by advertising and the media. The lyrics prove about why we find it so hard to differ from the belief system that has been forced upon us. “The process of belief is an elixir when you’re weak/I must confess, at times I indulge it on the sneak.”

The best song on the album is “Kyoto Now!” The song refers to the United Nations conference and the Kyoto Protocol that were to set emissions standards and other guidelines in order to slow pollution and global warming. As of yet, few countries have made much progress on the agreed upon changes. The song makes it plain from a realistic approach without being preachy. “A brutal sun is rising on our sick horizon/It’s in the way we live our lives/Exactly like the double edge of a cold familiar knife/It’s never really what you own but what you throw away/And how much did you pay?/In your dreams you saw a steady state’s bounty for eternity.”

It’s good to see Gurewitz back for this album, because and this album is no different. Bad Religion continue to bring their brand of furious, intelligent punk rock into the mainstream with their latest release, The Process of Belief.

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Rockets soar to victory against Jazz

Associated Press

HOUSTON (AP) — Steve Francis shot 18-for-22 from the line and scored 33 points, and Cartier McDowell added 30 points to lead the Houston Rockets to a 104-97 victory against the Utah Jazz on Monday night.

Francis had 31 points and 12 rebounds for the Jazz, who had their three-game winning streak snapped.

Houston led by 13 points late in the third quarter when Utah rallied behind Malone.

Malone scored seven points in a 10-2 run that gave Utah a 90-89 lead with 4:36 remaining.

McDowell scored five points in a 7-0 run, and the Rockets moved to a 96-90 lead with 2:30 left.

Francis then hit two free throws with 1:19 to play. McDowell made two free throws with 57 seconds remaining and Terence Morris added a free throw that gave Houston a 102-92 lead with 41 seconds left.

Kenny Thomas scored 11 points on 5-of-5 shooting, and Thomas added nine on 4-of-5 shooting as the Rockets shot 75 percent and built a 41-21 lead.

Malone scored six straight points in the third quarter and Utah led 78-62 at halftime.

McDowell shot 9-for-9 from the field and scored 22 first-half points, but took a 45-45 lead into the break.

The Rockets scored 25-8 in the first half and 24-18 in the second half.

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Happenings

Social Concern Seminars/SSPis/ISSLPs

*Haiti Experiential Seminar*: - This May seminar involves learning about how to help the people of Haiti obtain clean drinking water. It also about considering our own lives in the context of service to, and learning from, members of our global community. It involves training in hand-pumps, as well as in the social, political, economic and religious context of living and working in Haiti. It will involve training during the spring semester, plus the seven to ten days in Haiti in May (immediately after finals).

For more information: Please contact Dr. Steve Silliman (silliman.1@nd.edu)

**SSP Internships/ACTION/NYSP**: These summer internship applications and information are available at the Center for Social Concerns. All programs offer tuition scholarships and three elective Theology credits.

Deadlines for applications: (SSP – Due Feb 15, ACTION – Due Feb 22, NYSP – Due Feb 8!)

These are three credit courses! $1900.00 Scholarship

*Hispanic Leadership Intern Program (HLIP)*: Applications available at the CSC. An eight-week summer internship. Interns are exposed to, and experience Latino communities in metropolitan Chicago where they serve as leader and student of the community.

Applications due February 15, 2002.

*National Interfaith Committee for Worker Justice Internships* (http://www.nationalinterfaith.org/)

“The National Interfaith Committee for Worker Justice is a network of people of faith that calls upon our religious values in order to educate, organize and mobilize the religious community in the United States on issues and campaigns that will improve wages and working conditions for workers, especially low-wage workers.”

Information Session: Thursday, Feb 7th, 7 – 8:15 at the CSC! This is a 3 credit, SU course (THEO), $2500 tuition scholarship.

*African American Leadership Intern Program (AALIP)*: Spend an 8-week internship at St. Agatha’s Parish in a Chicago African American neighborhood. Contact Colleen Knight Santoni at cknight2@nd.edu with questions. Applications available at the CSC.


***EXTENDED DEADLINE***: *Washington Seminar*** Spring Break - March 10-16

Monks, Workers, and Citizens: From Christian Anarchists to Christian Bureaucrats

Deadline has been EXTENDED to TODAY Tuesday, February 5!

How are we, as followers of God, called to live and work in the world? Through use of our nation’s capital, students will explore this question, by visiting a monastery, Catholic Worker, and several public policy organizations.

Current Volunteer Needs:

Tutoring/Children Activities
St. Joseph Basketball Program
Larry Bauer - Bauer.1@stouny.com

Played basketball in high school? Do you want to work with 2nd-4th grade boys in a local grade school intramural program? We are looking for students to do clinics help referee, coaching duties Saturdays in February and March. This starts February 2nd.

Volunteer for Preschooler Marissa Runkle - 289-4831
marissar@logancenter.org

A three-year old Russian little boy needs a play companion at Open Door preschool. The student does not necessarily need to know Russian. Please be available on Tuesdays from 9:00-10:00 a.m.

Big Brothers, Big Sisters Call 232-9958 or visit bbs_sjc.org

Men interested for local children please call or visit the website to discover the many flexible volunteer opportunities available.

***If you have any questions about these volunteer projects feel free to email cscvans@nd.edu***

Nazareth Conversations

**Are YOU ready for the DRAFT? Do you know your rights?**

Information on military draft law, conscientious objector status, and what you can do now...

**Wednesday, February 6, 2002**

7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. at the CSC classroom

Sponsored by Pax Christi-ND

Vehicle Training Information

**Important CSC Vehicle Driver Update**

CSC Driver Authorization Certification cards issued prior to January 2002 will no longer be accepted! Only the actual driver of a vehicle may submit a request for use due to policy and procedural changes for CSC vehicle drivers.

ALL STUDENTS WHO PLAN TO DRIVE CSC VEHICLES (beginning January 21, 2002) MUST ATTEND A NEW INFO SESSION THIS SEMESTER!

The following hour-long session is the FINAL session that will be offered at the CSC this semester:

March 3, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m.

There is no need to register.

Bring pen and driver’s license to session.

Questions? e-mail: cscvans@nd.edu

Faculty Opportunities

Do you know about the Gullah People?

Over fall break, students traveled to Appalachia, D.C., New York City, and elsewhere for a week of experiential learning and service, as part of our one-credit seminars. We are thinking of offering a new seminar next fall with the Gullah people in South Carolina, and are seeking Faculty members to assist us. If you have some relevant expertise and/or interest, please contact Mary Beckman at the Center for Social Concerns.

ENCUENTRO CHICAGO

Applications are available at the CSC and at Campus Ministry. Join us for a weekend immersion into the Mexican immigrant community of Pilsen in Chicago.

Applications due: February 8, 2002.

http://centerforsocialconcerns.nd.edu
DENVER

Darren McCarty and Kirk Maltby scored second-period goals, and Dominik Hasek preserved the lead by stopping 13 shots in the third period as the Detroit Red Wings beat the Colorado Avalanche 3-1 Monday night.

Nicklas Lidstrom stuffed into an empty net with two seconds left as the Red Wings raised their NHL-best point total to 82.

Scott Parker had the lone goal for Colorado.

Hasek finished with 23 saves, and Patrick Roy had 31.

In one of the NHL's best rivalries, Detroit outshot Colorado 32-7 in a scoreless first period. Roy stopped Luc Robitaille on two quick shots just right of the goal. Hasek made a save on Adam Foote's long shot and Mike Hejduk's rebound attempt.

Play intensified in the second period, with three goals and two fights. The Red Wings again outshot Colorado 20-4 and took a 2-1 lead.

The Avalanche went ahead 1-0 at 2:31 when Brad Larsen tied it at 5 with 14:04 left, and Richards gave the Lightning the advantage with 4:10 remaining.

Alfredsson gave the Senators a 3-2 lead with an early third-period goal on the power play. Ottawa goalie Jani Hurme finished with 23 saves, thwarting a Blue Jackets breakaway with a glove save.

The Panthers' first-period goals were by Svehla at 15:24 and Marcus Nilson, who scored with Florida short-handed at 19:06.

Senators 4, Lightning 4

Danial Alfredsson scored two goals, including the equalizer with 40.7 seconds left in regulation, as the Ottawa Senators tied the Tampa Bay Lightning 4-4 Monday night.

Alfredsson tied it with his 30th goal from the slot. He also had an assist.

The Senators are unbeaten in five games (2-0-3).

Tampa Bay took a 4-3 lead after Pavel Kubina and Brad Richards scored two minutes apart late in the third period. Kubina tied it at 3 with 6:12 left, and Richards gave the Lightning the advantage with 4:10 remaining.

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Magnus Arvedson and Karel Rachunek also scored for the Senators.

Vincent Lecavalier and Vaclav Prospal had the other Tampa Bay goals.

Arvedson put the Senators ahead 1-0 at 2:21 of the first period. He has 10 goals in 12 games against the Lightning.

Tampa Bay has allowed a goal in the opening 2 1/2 minutes seven times in 18 games. The Lightning tied it at 1 late in the first on Lecavalier's third goal in four games.

The teams traded goals in the second period. Prospal had the Tampa Bay goal, and Rachunek scored for Ottawa.

Brulls, Blue Jackets 0

Bill Guerin had three goals and an assist and John Grahame earned his first shutout of the season as the Boston Bruins beat the Columbus Blue Jackets 8-0 Monday night.

The Bruins moved into a tie with idle Philadelphia for the best record in the Eastern Conference.

It was the most lopsided loss in the Blue Jackets' two seasons. The Bruins scored their season-high in goals against a team they had never beaten.

All the goals were even-strength, with the Bruins on the power play for only one second of the game.

Guerin, with 31 goals, moved into second place in the NHL behind Calgary's Jarome Iginla. Guerin has scored in his last three games and ran his points streak to four (6-2-8).
Olympics

Opening with a new feeling

* Sept. 11 is sure to affect Olympic ceremony

Associated Press

Salt Lake City, Utah

DanMischerremembersattendingtheopeningceremonyat the1984SummerGamesinLosAngelesandleavingwiththefeelinghehaveseen

something very special. "When you produce something like this, you have many

audiences," Mischer said in a break from rehearsals. "You have to be very
careful not to concentrate too much on the United States." This is a worldwide event." On a windy Monday after

noon, with temperatures in the low 20s, the show's overseers conducted a dry run of several
ceremony moments. A teenager in a black winter jacket ran into the stadium with an

exquisite torch, subbing for the yet-to-be-identified actual torch bearer.

Trumpets blared, hot-air balloons floated, and covered wagons were parked.

Outside, a dozen olive Humvees were parked as soldiers in combat fatigues milled

about.

"This is going to feel very different," he said. "It's the first gathering of nations since

the war on terrorism. People are going to feel more emotional at what they see. Something simple, like the raising of the Olympic flag, becomes more meaningful."

Mischer stressed that nothing in the opening ceremony was changed after Sept. 11, although there will be mention of the terrorist attacks in a 45-minute segment before the worldwide broadcast of the opening ceremony.

Sting, the Mormon Tabernacle Choir, the Dixie Chicks and LeAnn Rimes were expected to perform. More than 5,000 cast members will perform in Friday's 2-hour, 15-minute extravaganza.

"Much of the opening ceremony remains a secret just four days before it kicks off the Winter Games. One thing is certain: There will be plenty of ice. Nearly

800 skaters will be part of the ceremony, zipping around the stadium. Kawahara, choreographer for the opening," said Kawahara, longtime Oscar winner for his work in film. "We're not trying to present it as an ice show."

Kenny Ortega, the artistic and show director, estimated that by Friday night, some of the participants in the show will have put in as many as 100 hours of rehearsal in often brutal weather.

Two U.S. soldiers guard in front of the Olympic Rings in Salt Lake City, Sept. 11. It has heightened security and guaranteed a different feeling at the opening ceremonies.

Salt Lake City makes final preparations

Associated Press

Salt Lake City, Utah

Metal detectors will go up this week around Temple Square, the 35-acre complex owned by the Mormon Church in downtown Salt Lake City.

"We walk a really fine line because we want to be as warm and welcoming as possible, but we want everyone to know they're safe," church spokeswoman Kim Farah said Monday.

Detectors will go up at entrances to Temple Square, along with most of the other church buildings in the complex. Guards and hundreds of security volunteers will staff the metal detectors and perform bag searches.

The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints expects thousands of visitors during the next few weeks. Foot traffic at Temple Square was already heavy days before the Feb. 8 start of the Games.

Road closed

A suspicious package on the side of northbound Interstate 15 in Ogden briefly closed the freeway Monday morning.

Authorities responded at 10 a.m. to investigate what appeared to be a car battery inside an onion sack, with wires sticking out of it.

A bomb team was called in and the interstate was closed in both directions for about ten minutes while the package was recovered. There was no explosive device inside the bag and no one was injured.

"We don't know for sure why it was there and what was," said Sgt. Doug McCleve, spokesman for the Utah Department of Public Safety. "We don't know if it was intended to be a hoax or not. If it turns out to be a hoax, we will file all possible charges — even federal charges for bomb threat," McCleve said.

Your turn, Juanit

Juan Antonio Samaranch Jr., the son of the former IOC president, sat in his first meeting as an International Olympic Committee member Monday and quickly became involved in floor debate.

Samaranch, a 42-year-old Spanish businessman, took part in a discussion of how sports should be added to the Olympic schedule. His participation was short but did not go unnoticed.

"You have a clarity and understanding of sport similar to your father," IOC president Jacques Rogge said.

And while members generally addressed their colleagues by last name, the new man was universally referred to as Juanito, his family nickname.

The younger Samaranch was elected to the IOC last March at the general assembly, where his father retired from the committee after 21 years as president.

Condom controversy

A plan to distribute 12,000 free condoms at the Olympic athletes' village was condemned by a conservative Utah political group.

"I think it's an outrage that we as a city and state through the Olympics condone immoral sexual activity," said Gayle Huizenga, president of the Utah Eagle Forum. "They can buy their own condoms if they want them."
Fans inspired by victory

Associated Press

BOSTON

The New England Patriots' improbable Super Bowl victory did more than end this city's major championship drought; it left fans feeling that perhaps the string of woes—from Bucky to Buckner to a scope-like apparatus—was finally broken.

Club greatest in Park. "Boston watches games through a bags of newly bought feelings that perhaps the string of old Boston University sophomore outside the brick walls of Fenway championship drought: It left fans and coat, and clutching three full things," said Jones, who played on eight of those championship teams and coached two more. He said this year's team can't help but be inspired by the Patriots' victory. "If they watched it, they had to feel euphoric, like, 'We've got a chance to win this thing.'" Jones said. "It had to motivate them." The Patriots, who joined the American Football League in 1960, were the oldest team to ever win an AFL or NFL title. The Patriots haven't won the Super Bowl since 1972, with Ray Bourque symbolizing their frustration. He played more than two decades for Boston before winning a Cup with Colorado last season. But the Bruins nearly have the best record in the Eastern Conference this season. That and the Patriots' win led Bruins fan Dan Nardelli to think their 30-year drought also will end.

"It's coming, it's coming," Nardelli said while shopping at The Souvenir Store across the street from Fenway. "I can feel it." And then there's the Red Sox, who have not won the World Series since 1918. Perhaps no team has broken more hearts, and no team has contributed more to Boston's so-called "Loserville" stereotype.

Bill Buckner's groundball-between-the-legs in the 1986 World Series is one of sports' biggest all-time gaffes, and so is Johnny Pesky's holding the ball while the winning run raced home in the Game 7 of the '46 Series. In 1978, Bucky Dent's home run over the Green Monster lifted the New York Yankees over Boston in a one-game playoff for the AL East title. On Sunday night, more than 1,000 fans filled Kenmore Square and chanted anti-Yankee slogans. Pesky said Monday the euphoria surrounding the Patriots' Super Bowl win can be contagious.

"This stuff spreads," Pesky said. "When good things happen, it spreads. It's just a feeling you get. I can't explain it. The taste of a football title also make him any hungrier for a World Series win, Pesky said. "I've been hungry for 50 years," Pesky said.

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Irish finish sixth at invite

Special to the Observer

The women’s water polo club opened its quest for a national championship this weekend at the Miami OH Invitational. After finishing last year’s regular season as the number three ranked team, the club is determined to climb higher this year. Finding the right combinations and blending many promising forwards into the lineup for the season ahead were the primary concerns as the club split its four contests to finish sixth in the invitational. After dropping the opener to Purdue, 16-5, the club defeated Buffalo, 20-3, and Emory, 6-5, before falling in the final to Illinois, 10-4. Seniors Lauren Blevins and Liz Parolini figure to be among the national scoring leaders as they tallied fourteen and six goals respectively. Allison Gienko, Katie Klesik and Jacque Aragon also found the net as well to round out the scoring. Versatile Bristol Mountain has moved to goal this year and showed improvement with each game.

UFC

Schuss Mountain was this week’s venue for MSA competi-
tion as Molly Munsterer contin-
ed her dominating perfor-
man ce in the slalom. This weekend Miami, Michigan State, and Illinois claimed the top three spots. The Irish fourth place finish fin-
ished the qualifying for the UFC Skiing Championships in January. Dublin's Jessica Fisch in the slalom. Danielle Clements’ fourth in the slalom and 20th in the giant slalom will take the team to the meets in a slalom at St. Louis Rams. "I still want to play. I feel like I can play this game at a very high level."

The 29-year-old Bledsoe, a three-time Pro Bowler, lives in New England but feels he has many productive years left. He was seriously injured in the second game of the 2000 season, suddenly changing the career of Drew Bledsoe, the team’s quarterback, which he has broken almost all six of 128 games. Then he watched while Brady took the team, which finished in the bottom of the AFC East last season, to the top of the NFL.

But Bledsoe added one accomplishment to a career in which he has broken almost all of the team’s passing records. If a team after Brady sprained his left ankle late in the first half of the AFC cham-
pionship game, threw a touch-
down pass and led the Patriots to a 24-17 win in Pittsburgh. "I’m fortunate to be on a team with guys like Drew, or else you wouldn’t have won the Super Bowl," Brady said Monday after a few hours of sleep following a team party. Moments after the win, Bledsoe was on the phone with friends and family as they finished in the top six in each event, while Smith captured four of the NFL games and the balance team.

"We were a team of emotion," said Brady, who has credited Bledsoe for helping him improve. "He’s proud of him and I’m proud of him." Bledsoe ended his season the way he spent it— with an unflinching attitude, even though he knows he could be headed to a team such as Washington or Chicago — contenders who need a quarterback.

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Adam Vinatieri, whose 48-yard field goal as time expired sent the Super Bowl into overtime as an agent. So is running back Antowain Smith. Several defen-
sive players joined the team this season on one-year con-
tracts. Brady is signed through next season, but the Patriots might have to reconfigure their own strike force rather than let him become an unrestricted free agent. After a round draft pick from Michigan in 2000 hardly seemed to va
tioned the Philadelphia Eagles, Brady would get nothing in return. "I just think that’s our No. 1 priority," he said.

"I’d like a kid in the wind, that kind of going with the flow," said Brady, who worked hard on his strength, technique and ability to read defenses and adjust his game this year as Bledsoe’s primary backup. He ended it with nine straight wins. "There hasn’t been a downer yet. I take it as it goes, morning at 6 a.m. when the alarm clock goes off. Still, his trip Monday to Disney World as the Super Bowl MVP was more than he could have imagined. More public appearances and endorsements, yet he denied the photogenic 24-year-old with dinner in his chin and a twinkle in his eye. "It’s new to me," Brady said.

"I’m a kid in the wind, that kind of going with the flow." One of his stops probably will be the White House. On Monday, President Bush called Kraft and invited the team there at an undetermined date, White House spokesman Ari Fleischer said. On Monday, Brady recalled going to a kite in the wind.

"I’d like to get the feeling that logic works that way," he said. "I know what he said to me. And I’m proud of him." Bledsoe ended his season the way he spent it— with an unflinching attitude, even though he knows he could be headed to a team such as Washington or Chicago — contenders who need a quarterback.

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not starting gave me a little time to focus a little more," Severe said. "I realize that I need to be there in the beginning of the game. I just get mentally to be effective.

For Notre Dame, a win Tuesday night would be important in a historical context as well as within the context of its current year's Big East season. A win would mark the 50th meeting in a series that began in 1911. Dame women's basketball, a mark achieved by only 49 other NCAA programs.

A win also would move the No. 23 Orangemen a step closer to the third-place tie with Boston College for second place in the Big East. The Irish host the Eagles on Sunday.

For the Irish, who didn't win a road game until January, this season, the team is finally able to settle in and go into a road game confident they can, and should, come out with a victory.

"I think that we're kind of getting in a rhythm now where we're looking forward to the games more," McCraw said. "Before, I think we worried about a lot of things into going games. Now, we just worry about ourselves. We don't worry as much about what the other team's going to do to us so much as we have to take care of ourselves."

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NCAA BASKETBALL

76-64 win snaps Syracuse losing streak

Associated Press

SYRACUSE, N.Y. — Preston Shumpert scored 20 points, and Josh Pace tied a career high with 22 points as No. 23 Syracuse beat West Virginia 76-64 on Monday night.

The win snapped a two-game losing streak for the Orangemen (18-6, 7-3 Big East), who had not lost three straight since the 1995-96 season. West Virginia (8-13, 1-8) lost for the 11th time in 12 games, despite the return of coach Gale Catlett, who missed the previous two games with a viral infection.

Josh Yeager led West Virginia with 14 points, Chris Mosi had 13 and 10 rebounds, Drew Schilfino had 11 points, and Chase Briggs 10.

Kuech Duany had 17 points and 10 rebounds for Syracuse, which was just 7-for-28 on 3-pointers and shot only 38.5 percent from the floor.

The Mountaineers made a game of it even though they committed 27 turnovers and trailed 35-21 at halftime. They began the second half with a 14-2 spurt behind 3-pointers by Yeager, Jonathan Hargett and Schilfino to pull within 40-35.

A follow shot by Mosi tied it at 58-58 with 5:32 to go, but the Orangemen responded with a 12-3 run to finally take command.

Duany and Pace combined for the first eight points, each hitting two baskets. A layup by Pace off a no-look pass by Williams made it 66-61 with 4:25 to go and a follow shot by Billy Wooldridge finished the run, giving the Orangemen a 70-61 edge with just over a minute remaining.

West Virginia scored just three points after Yeager's layup with 4:43 left.

Syracuse had nine steals and forced 17 turnovers in building a 38-21 halftime lead. The Orangemen used a 15-1 run in a 7:16 span to take what appeared to be a commanding lead. Four steals by Shumpert and three 3-pointers by Williams keyed the spurt.

Shumpert, still recovering from an eye injury, was 7-for-20 from the floor and 3-for-11 on 3-pointers.

Kansas 98, Kansas State 71

Kirk Hinrich heard the chants of "Harry Potter!" every time he stepped to the free-throw line.

Nick Collison gets the sure two points for Kansas.Kansas' skinny, dark-haired junior swingman is getting used to being mental to be effective.

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Notes:

- Joyce, who has missed the last three games with an Achilles heel injury, suited up for practice Monday but did not take the court. McCraw says Joyce will make the trip to Pittsburgh, but she is not expected to play.

- Freshman forward Katy Flecky, who started and scored Notre Dame's first career field goal at Seton Hall, could again see significant time tonight.

- "We've got our best high-post player, she's a great passer and she can score on the block," McCraw said of the Colorado native. "If Pitt does some things with trapping and all and we need to get the ball to somebody, I think she'll be somebody who'll get some time."

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Junior guard Jeneika Joyce is still uncertain for play in tonight's matchup against Pittsburgh.

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Severe finds familiar foe in Selwyn

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Sports Editor

When Le'Tania Severe takes the court at Pittsburgh tonight, her assignment on defense will be a familiar one.

The Panthers' point guard, junior Laine Selwyn, played against Severe when the Irish sophomore was the point guard at Florida's Ft. Lauderdale High School and Selwyn was dishing out passes for rival Coral Springs. The two also played together on an AAU team and remain good friends.

"It'll be a nice match-up," Severe said. "It'll be something that I got to do in high school and I'd like to do again."

But the match-up at the point is more than simply old friends being reacquainted. While the Panthers have struggled all season long to the tune of a 6-14 record (1-8 in Big East play), Selwyn has emerged as one of the few bright spots.

She averages 6.80 assists per game, tops among Big East point guards. Connecticut All-American Sue Bird sits a close second with 6.80 assists per contest, while Severe is sixth with 5.15.

"She's playing really well," Irish head coach Muffet McGraw said of Selwyn, who also averages 14 points per contest. "She's improved a lot since last year and she's, I think, the key to their team."

Severe's season has been up and down. After opening the season as the team's starting point guard, the sophomore moved to the bench in late December after a couple of sub-par performances. She played well off the bench, but with classmate Jeneka Joyce out with an Achilles heel injury, Severe was forced back into the starting lineup last week against Syracuse. She responded with two points and a career-high nine assists in 30 minutes.

"That little time that I was out really hurt because you're out on the court with your friends being reacquainted."

When asked how the Irish will handle the Panthers' aggressive defense, Selwyn said, "It'll be a nice match-up."

"It'll be a tough match-up, but we need to come out with strong defense and be ready for them to be strong on defense."

The Panthers' defense is ranked second in the Big East Conference, allowing 56 points per game. The Irish, on the other hand, are ranked 10th in the conference, allowing 69 points per game.

"We need to be ready for their defense and make sure that we're ready for their fast break," Severe said.

Captain Anna Carnlck faces off against an opponent from the Wildcats.

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FENCING

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