CAMPUS LIFE COUNCIL

Poorman adds more social space

University buys off-campus house for retreats

By JASON MCFARLEY
News Writer

Following an announcement of major renovations to the Alumni-Senior Club, student life officials have made public plans for two additional projects to improve social space options.

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"Again, it is a venue for 'programmable' space the students can utilize," Poorman said in the letter. "The changes in the house will encourage the home's use for short trips away from the University. "It provides an ideal setting for day-long retreats, team-building activities and the like." Poorman wrote.

He said his office is working with construction contractors to complete the project by its May target date. The house will be available to students in August. "It's another good thing for students," Norton said. Poorman wrote Monday. "I think it's exciting that there are two more venues we can use for social space programming."

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Executive treasurer Kim Jensen said this is the largest donation to BOG that has written this school year.

The largest amount of the donation was taken directly from excess on last year's student budget. All Saint Mary's students pay a fee included with tuition that is deposited directly to the remaining costs of student government.

"This is the students' money and we are giving it back to the students," said Jensen. "The amount of the donation is so large because it is going towards something the entire campus can enjoy instead of just a select few students."

As a voice for the student body, BOG hopes that their donation will "serve as a springboard to encourage the home's use for short trips away from the University. "It provides an ideal setting for day-long retreats, team-building activities and the like." Poorman wrote.

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Harris: Disabled students need equality

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Richard Harris kicked off the Disability Awareness Week with his lecture "Disability Awareness in the Classroom and on Campus." Monday afternoon in Stapleton Lounge.

Harris, director of the Disabled Student Development Office at Ball State University, has conducted hundreds of presentations regarding disability issues on college campuses throughout the United States.

The discussion he presented at Saint Mary's dealt with the nuts and bolts of the American Disability Act from the perspective of a college classroom. The aim of the lecture was to help students and faculty "think about issues of inclusion and awareness on campus."

Harris began the lecture with a discussion of how America in general tends to deal with people with disabilities. He said, "I don't know of any country that is as giving and helpful towards people with disabilities," Harris said. "But at the same time, the unemployment rate for Americans with disabilities has been hovering at the 67 percent mark for years. Specifically, the rate of unemployment for women with disabilities is in the range of 80 percent.

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The ADA has nothing to do with giving disabled people special advantages; rather it exists to ensure equal treatment. One main aspect of the ADA is that nothing can be changed at a given institution until a complaint has been brought.

"When a person brings a complaint about an institution, the institution doesn't have a long time horizon to address the problem," Harris said. "If a complaint is never brought, then an institution can remain inaccessible for ever. I would hope that they wouldn't, but they could."

One of the institutions that is challenged on a regular basis is higher education. For
INSIDE COLUMN
The topic at hand
The Observer Viewpoint is a sounding board for groups and individuals with opposing, irreconcilable views. A signed letter can provoke passionate objections, as in the recent case of "The Vagina Monologues." Like the issues of abortion, the death penalty and partial-birth abortion, no single brilliant letter will change a resolveed mind; it will simply generate a brilliant retort. Regardless of how convicing or zealous the letter, yet another person will write in opposition to the position.

And so the argument over the morality of "The Vagina Monologues" may seem tedious and rather facile. But the argument is, for me, precisely the most important and most dispositional. Even as a self-proclaimed liberated woman with high aspirations and no regard for glass ceilings, I do find some of the subject matter of the "Monologues" rather crude and discomforting. I can only imagine what a conservative male student must feel.

Though some of the material might be objectionable, the play was written by women for women in order to further confidence and understanding, not to provide water-cooler jokes. Those who attend the "Monologues" for the liberation, the thought-provoking dialogue, and the eye-opening material will treat it with the respect it deserves — with the respect that women deserve with their work.

Those who go for the entertainment and controversy will certainly find all of the degradation and indiscretion that has caused so much dissection. And this is one of the major successes of the "Monologues." People are talking. Men and women alike are engaging in conversation that has been long overdue.

Very few people have written The Observer complaining about the tactful and polite Sex Education Videos presented to children in the sixth grade, and I have rarely heard any thoughtful, progressive dialogue about the moral implications of learning where a woman's ovaries are located. The videos were created to serve the purpose of education, and they do so effectively. The objectionable language and material of the "Monologues" is necessary to stimulate conversation. It was created for that purpose and by the responses it has generated, it has obviously done so effectively.

Look back at every letter written to The Observer about the "Monologues." Both sides are presenting their arguments, and yet still adamantly disagree. Why?

Because women desire dignity and respect; because women need equality and pride in their sexuality; because the woman's body is scared and should be treated with reverence; and because women need to learn to love their bodies without shame. Is any of this false? Are any of these arguments wrong?

The play itself may be objectionable, but the arguments that bring it up on either side of the issue all serve to promote and celebrate females as beautiful and strong. So, if you think the play is empowering, go see it. If you think it is repressed, don't.

But keep talking about it. Remember that the topic is the value and contribution of women in today's society. Women will continue to realize and exceed their potential.

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QUOTES OF THE WEEK
"After the all-hall meeting on Sunday, we knew it was an inside job. The fact that everyone knew it was misused motivated some to return some of the money."
Father John Herman
O'Neill Hall Executive

"Why did we play well at all? No one really stepped it up for our team. Anne (Blair) had a really good game at the end but it just wasn't enough to get us going."
Katie Miller
Beller's loss to Adrian

"We were all pumped up because the Northwestern coach was saying some things we didn't appreciate so we went all grace-fo for the match."
Kerry Walton
sophomore epeeist

BEYOND CAMPUS
International Yale students return home for service

NEW HAVEN, Conn. "If you don't go to the army in Korea, you're considered a traitor," Pil-Weon Oh said.

By law, male citizens of the Republic of Korea are required to serve in the army for 26 months. Like many other countries, Korea requires a specified period of military service from its citizeness. As the number of international students at Yale rises, more and more Yalies must decide whether or not they will return home to fulfill their military obligations. For foreign students, a decision to return to serve means interrupting their Yale career.

This is the case for Yoon Chay, who also was born in the Republic of Korea. Although he is fairly certain he will serve before he graduates, he still does not know exactly when he will return home. If he wants to remain a Korean citizen, Chay must serve for two years and two months before he turns 24.

Most of his friends back in Korea already have joined the army. For Chay, one difficulty with leaving midway through his college career is by the time he returns to Yale, most of his friends will have graduated.

"I'm already one or two years older than most of the kids," Chay said.

KENT STATE UNIVERSITY
Hacker accesses student numbers

Using a fairly simple computer program, a University of Akron student has accessed student and employee Social Security numbers, e-mail addresses and first and last names.

He said individuals with a background similar to his found a glitch in the Kent State University Web site. The board's enrollment management plan, referred to as EM-21, is an effort officials say will ensure each student receives an adequate education with the funds available for each school. The regents now must consider how to compensate for Gov. Scott McCallum's proposed UW System budget reduction of $51 million.

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UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN
Schools face enrollment cuts

MADISON, Wis. The University of Wisconsin-La Crosse and Green Bay are being forced to cut enrollment due to reduced budgets. Most schools in the UW System, including UW-Madison, are allowed modest annual increases in enrollment under the Board of Regents' enrollment management plan. The regents now have agreed to a 5,300-full-time students for 2006 by all the UW schools combined. UW has been allocated a 400-student enrollment increase for next year, but the largest increase will take place at UW-Milwaukee, with a projected gain of 2,554 students. The board's enrollment management plan, referred to as EM-21, is an effort officials say will ensure each student receives an adequate education with the funds available for each school. The regents now must consider how to compensate for Gov. Scott McCallum's proposed UW System budget reduction of $51 million.

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Lesbian minister promotes diversity, spirituality

By ALLISON ROCHE
News Writer

Higher education is at its best when it is unruly, according to Rev. Jennifer Walters whose keynote address kicked off Sisterhood Week at Saint Mary's Monday. Her address explored how truth and wholeness are found amid unruliness and diversity.

The goal of Sisterhood Week is to make the Saint Mary's community more inclusive, regardless of differences.

"It is a week intended to provide information, history and entertainment around lesbian, bisexual and straight women in the community," said Astrid Henry, professor in the English and women's studies departments.

As dean of religious life at Smith College, Walters had a unique perspective to share on the week's theme, "Sisterhood Beyond Boundaries: Lesbian, Bisexual and Straight Women in Community."

Walters is an Episcopalian minister who also came out of the closet 22 years ago. She spoke very positively of the dignity provided by women's educational institutions.

"Women can affirm one another in ways that cannot happen in other environments," Walters said.

Walters emphasized solidarity among women, regardless of boundaries based on race or sexuality. She said that diversity functions to make people feel whole. Her experience at a secular institution like Smith College has shown her the problems of not addressing the spiritual side of sexuality.

"Avoiding looking at spirituality silences wholeness," Walters said.

Walters pointed out that whether at Smith College or Saint Mary's, ignoring spirituality is especially devastating for lesbian and bisexual women given the shame that often accompanies their coming out.

"At a secular college and at a religious college, you end with the same result: women who think that God doesn't love them," Walters said.

Finally, Walters suggested that the final solutions for college campuses is to take risks. Faculty and students need to risk entering into conversations about religion and sexuality to get over differences and "move on."

The questions and discussions raised by faculty members and students in the audience after Walters' address focused on the conflict between administration and students over "The Vagina Monologues" being barred from campus.

Sisterhood Week continues with tonight's showing of "If These Walls Could Talk 2," a film depicting the lives of three lesbian women from different eras, at 7:30 p.m. in Madaleva.

"The Celluloid Closet," a documentary about Hollywood's depiction of gays, lesbians and bisexuals, will be shown on Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in Moreau.

The week will conclude on Sunday at 4 p.m. in Moreau with a panel composed of five alumnae, representing different eras, who will share their experiences with sexuality at Saint Mary's and beyond.

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Christmas in April is Coming!
Saturday, April 20th, 2002
It's a great way to give back to the community!
Please sign-up to join in the fun!

Notre Dame
When: February 19-21
Where: LeFortune Student Center
Time: 11 AM - 2 PM and 7 PM - 9 PM

Saint Mary's
When: February 19-21
Where: Noble Family Dining Hall
Time: 4:30 PM - 7 PM

Holy Cross
When: March 4-8
Where: Dining Hall
Time: During lunch and dinner hours
Where: The Max
Time: 12 NOON - 3 PM

For more information: http://www.nd.edu/~stdntaff/christmasapril.html
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example, most colleges and universities encourage both genders and every race to study in whatever major they choose. Females are now encouraged to study technolog­gy, the arts and other subjects that were not open to them years ago. However, that is not always the case with people who have disabilities.

"There are lots of obstacles that do not apply to gender or race that still exist with people who have disabilities," Harris said.

Harris said that when addressing students with disabilities, people should put the template of race or gender over the issue and then decide. For example, when trying to decide if a disabled student should apply for financial aid, think of it in terms of if a woman or a Native American should be granted that right, then decide. Harris thinks that chances are, our decision would be altered. In an academic setting, Harris suggests following a simple phrase.

"What you do for or offer any of your students, you must do for or offer disabled students," Harris said.

Harris also gave a talk on Monday night called "Disability Humor — An Important Bridge," aimed more towards students. The presentation was meant to explore the use and misuse of humor relative to disability. Students are now more aware of the uncomfortable aspects towards disabled students and the possibility of using humor to overcome the disconnect gap.

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"It comes from the mouths of people who come from the world that we all live in." — Reginald Lawrence, executive director of MPAACT.

Production by African group deals with social issues

By SARAH NESTOR

A troupe of actors performed a series of monologues at Saint Mary's Monday night. The black experience of women and childhood, men, family relationships and race relations were tackled in the event "Life Goes On," at the Coleman-Morse Center. Contact Katie Rand at Rand9930@saintmarys.edu.

Disability Awareness Week is a week-long event of activities and presentations that highlight the importance of disability awareness. It is presented by the Office of Student Diversity and Development, Center for Disability Studies, and the Center for Disability Awareness.

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Trustees on Friday.

The BOG donation will clearly be a strong signal to the trustees that the project is supported by the students," said Dennis who anticipates approval from the trustees. "I think most students know that the student center should be on the top of the power list," Dennis said.

If approved, the construction of a new dining hall is scheduled to begin in April and continue for 14 months. The construction of the student center is projected tentatively to begin in July, 2003.

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Recycle The Observer.
Queen visits Jamaica: Queen Elizabeth II arrived Monday on a visit to Jamaica, where she remains ceremonial monarch but citizens are increasingly questioning their centuries-old ties to the crown. She was met on a red carpet at Kingston's international airport by Prime Minister P.J. Patterson and Gov. Gen. Howard Cooke.

Militants march in Zimbabwe: Thousands of ruling party militants marched through Zimbabwe's capital and hurled stones at the opposition headquarters on Monday as the European Union voted to impose sanctions on the violence-wrecked African nation. An opposition-aligned group accused police of beating several of its members in a separate incident ahead of presidential elections next month.

U.S. pays $80 million to Pakistan: The United States paid Pakistan $80 million for providing logistical support to its forces in the war against terrorism, Finance Ministry officials said Monday. Finance Secretary Yunous Khan told The Associated Press that the $80 million already received are for use of airports, power supply, water and other resources in support of military operations in Afghanistan.

Dolls getting more racially diverse: Toy makers are taking note with new doll lines that are more diverse than ever, including black Barbie, which was around for years. Former Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu, who has been called a radical, has been around for years. Some dolls of different races and ethnicities, including black Barbie, have been around for years. But industry experts say an increased demand and awareness of other cultures has spawned a new wave of diverse dolls.

ININDA NEWS BRIEFS

13 arrested in marijuana ring: A local drug task force on Sunday arrested 13 people and seized vehicles, homes and other property in an investigation into a marijuana-distribution ring. Officers from Peru, Miami County and the state police seized three homes, 10 vehicles, one snowmobile, computer equipment and firearms, along with thousands of dollars in cash and four pounds of marijuana. Indiana Department of Revenue officials will be called in to review whether some of those arrested should face tax-avoidance charges.

The market was closed Monday due to President's Day.

The new Transportation Security Administration took over responsibilities for airline security Sunday, the first step toward a system where better-trained, higher-paid federal employees screen passengers and luggage. The new system received two early tests Monday.

At Los Angeles International Airport, an inactive Army National Guard member tried to pass a nonfunctioning military explosive through airport security and was arrested. A screener became concerned after noticing the device, which resembled an M-80 firecracker, said Sgt. Greg Glassley of the Los Angeles Police Department. A Federal Aviation Administration official said the device was found in the man's carry-on luggage.

At New York's La Guardia Airport, a flight that had left for Cleveland was forced to return after it was discovered that one passenger had not been properly screened. FAA spokesman Laura Brown said in Washington. A concourse was evacuated and passengers were screened again after the flight returned.

Passengers at Washington Dulles International Airport were pleased with the changes, even if security is tougher. Tania Guy, an Oracle Corp. employee, now arrives two hours early at the airport. "They're a bit stricter, to say the least," she said before going through security.
Tape shows firefighter's courage

Associated Press

NEW YORK

The firefighters’ movements are calm as they arrive at the burning north tower of the World Trade Center. Their eyes grow wide as the magnitude of their mission becomes clear. Then come the thumps — one after another — and a voice saying that people are jumping.

The horrific noises continue as the videotape shot by two French filmmakers keeps rolling. A drone followed by a sudden bang accompanies the image of a second plane slamming into the south tower and later, a white noise builds to a crescendo as that tower collapses and people run for cover.

The tape by brothers Gedeon and Jules Naudet is an extraordinary account of courage and drama in the days of greatest pressure and of the cataclysmic moments that, for many of the men captured on it, were their last.

It has made the rounds of New York firehouses since Sept. 11 and was recently reviewed by The Associated Press. CBS plans to air footage on March 10 to commemorate the six-month anniversary of the attacks.

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The fire department is using the tape as an investigative tool, but it also contains historical significance and great personal meaning, spokesman Francis Grillo said. Rights to the tape belong to the Naudets, who have worked closely with the department on its use.

“They’ve been very sensitive to the families and the fact that they’ve had this footage of a significant number of people who perished that day,” Grillo said.

The brothers were shooting a documentary about the life of a probationary firefighter, as they had been doing for two weeks, when the attacks began.

The opening shot has been seen by millions. The camera, taping firefighters checking a gas leak in lower Manhattan, pans up and captures the first plane slamming into the north tower.

Most of the footage was shot by Jules, who accompanied firefighters to the north tower where they set up their first command center.

What happens over the next two hours has not been seen by the public. As Jules and firefighters race into the ancient town, about 25 miles northwest of Madrid.

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Fatima Elidrisi, a 13-year-old Moroccan girl who insists on wearing a Muslim headscarf to school, arrived for classes Monday to the clicking of cameras, applause from her new classmates and the watchful gare of Civil Guards officers.

The girl’s traditional hijab scarf has stirred a nationwide debate in this predominantly Roman Catholic country. Accompanied by her father, All El Hadi, 35, and representatives of immigrant support groups, Fatima was greeted by Delia Duro, director of the Juan de Herrera School.

Fatima’s father covered her face in an attempt to hide her from photographers among some 50 journalists who showed up at the school in this ancient town, about 25 miles northwest of Madrid.

It began last week when the director of Juan de Herrera, a secular public school, said she would not be allowed to wear the hijab, a traditional headscarf worn by many Muslim women in public. The school was overruled Saturday by the Madrid regional government, which said the obligation to give her an education took precedence over the issue of the scarf.

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Doctors research bypass surgery

Associated Press

DALLAS Women under age 50 are three times more likely than men to die after undergoing coronary artery bypass surgery, new research suggests.

A study led by Dr. Viola Vaccarino of Emory University in Atlanta examined 57,187 patients, 30 percent of them women, who had bypass surgery at 23 medical centers across the country between October 1993 and December 1999.

Among patients ages 50-59, 2.6 percent of women died, compared with 1.1 percent of men. Among patients 80 and older, 9.9 percent of women died compared with 8.3 percent of men.

The study found that the difference decreases with advancing age.

"It's a puzzling result," Vaccarino said. "We're not able to explain the difference based on our data. It could be a factor we didn't know about or test for."

Overall, 5.3 percent of the women died in the hospital, compared with 2.9 percent of the men. Of the women younger than 50, 3.4 percent died, compared with 1.1 percent of men.

Vaccarino theorized that women tend to have more pre-existing illnesses, including stroke and heart failure, and are usually referred for surgery when their heart disease is more severe. Because women have smaller arteries than men, she said, bypass surgery is more difficult to perform and, therefore, more stressful on women.

"It's probably a combination of those factors," she said of the findings, published in Tuesday's issue of the journal Circulation. "Whatever the case, though, younger women usually have a worse outcome."

Study: Fewer medical tests may be fine

Associated Press

WASHINGTON It seems almost every week brings a new headline: Get diabetes tests at younger ages. Seek annual thyroid exams. Get screened for prostate cancer.

The right time to get the right tests at the right time, says Dr. Edward Hill, a Tupelo, Miss., family physician and chair-elect of the American Medical Association's board.

But is there a checklist to ensure consumers get the most essential tests? Allan's task force is an independent panel charged by the government to come up with such a master list. It now is reevaluating the latest research for a six-month rollout of updated advice.

Here's the checklist so far for people at average risk of disease:

• Cholesterol testing: every five years starting at age 35 for men and age 45 for women, to check total cholesterol and the "good" HDL type and "bad" LDL type, but not triglycerides.

Anyone at high risk of heart disease — a smoker, a diabetic, someone whose parent died of heart disease before age 50 or who has high blood pressure — needs cholesterol testing starting at age 20, Allan cautions.

• Regular checks of blood pressure, whether by a doctor or more accessible spots like drugstores.

• To detect colorectal cancer, an annual fecal occult blood test for men and women starting at age 50. Also, they need a more invasive exam — sigmoidoscopy or colonoscopy — once or every other decade.

• For women, a Pap smear to check for cervical cancer every one to three years. Also, a mammogram every year or two starting at age 50. But mammography has suddenly become involved in debate: Some scientists challenge its effectiveness while others urge earlier testing — so the panel is reexamining it.

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Tunisian terror suspect trial begins

Associated Press

MILAN

Three Tunisians accused of cooperating with Osama bin Laden's terrorist network went on trial Monday in a heavily guarded courtroom on charges they supplied false documents and belonged to a criminal group that tried to traffic in arms and explosives.

Prosecutor Stefano Dambruoso, who is leading Italy's investigation into Islamic terrorism in northern Italy, told the court he wants to prove the men were part of an international ring that "referred directly to al-Qaida." The Tunisians were detained during a major probe into suspected Islamic terrorist cells last year. They are charged with criminal association with the intent to obtain and transport arms, explosives and chemicals and with supplying false documents.

Defense lawyers argued that the defendants — Riadh Jelasli, Mehdi Kammoun and Adel Ben Soltane — merely committed some illegal acts, such as the use of counterfeit documents, but not terrorist crimes.

"They are small fish," said lawyer Gianluca Maris. "Investigators were seeking terrorists with arms and bombs. They found a modest amount of counterfeit documents." "They are really not the type of people we are used to dealing with," said lawyer Dambruoso.

Dambruoso asked permission to call witnesses from a long list that included German, Spanish, French and Belgian investigators who coordinated a crackdown on suspected al-Qaida supporters in Europe before and after the Sept. 11 attacks. The judge said he would permit the testimony but that a limited number of investigators could appear.

Dambruoso also named as a possible witness Ahmed Ressam, an Algerian who was arrested in 1999 as he tried to enter the United States in a car with a trunk full of explosives. Dambruoso said Ressam was not directly connected to al-Qaida.

Nebuloni told the court he was supervising the arrests during a major probe but he has not been allowed to testify. Government lawyers called "Graves cocktails" the mix of drugs they called "Graves cocktails" and used in the attack on the United States in Rome.

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Defense lawyer Antonio Nebuloni told the court he wanted to call as witnesses former Italian Foreign Minister Lamberto Dini and former U.S. Ambassador Thomas Finglotta. He said he sought Finglotta's testimony was sought because of an alleged terrorist plot against the U.S. Embassy in Rome in January 2001.

In the courtroom, Kammoun was locked inside an iron-barred cage. He moved to the other side of the cage to avoid being handcuffed as they were escorted to benches, a handful of prison guards hovering with pistols as they shut down three paramilitary police guarded the entrance, and in an unusual sign of tight security, a plainclothes policeman stood behind Dambruoso, who conducted the pretrial probe and asked for the indictments, has said the defendants were not directly connected to the Sept. 11 attacks but are believed linked to al-Qaida.

Four other men arrested as part of the same probe went on trial earlier this month in Milan on similar charges. One of them is Said benhim Ben Khemais, a Tunisian man Italian police believed went from Afghanistan to supervise bin Laden's terrorist operations in Europe.

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Defense lawyers said Ben Khemais and his three co-defendants sought and received a fast-track trial that would allow for a reduced sentence if they are convicted, with Ben Khemais facing up to six years.

Prosecutor compares doctor to drug dealer

Associated Press

MILTON, Fla.

A doctor on trial for the deaths of four patients who overdosed on OxyContin is no different from a drug dealer, a prosecutor said Monday in closing arguments.

Witnesses testified that crowds of patients ate lunch or worked on their cars in the parking lot of Dr. James Graves' office, giving each other high fives when they came out with prescriptions, assistant state attorney Russell Edgar said.

"You've got to realize something's wrong when your outside your office people are having tailgate parties," Edgar said.

Graves, 55, testified that he did not know his patients were abusing drugs and said no one would have died if OxyContin had been taken as prescribed.

"OxyContin is a good drug if it's taken properly," said defense lawyer H.E. Ellis Jr. "Pharmacy companies don't spend billions of dollars developing drugs if they are going to kill people."

But prosecutors contend Graves knew or should have known that his booming practice was supplying "Graves cocktails" to addicts and in an 11 attacks but are believed linked to al-Qaida.

The six-member jury is expected to begin deliberating Tuesday. A guilty verdict would make Graves the first doctor in the nation convicted of manslaughter or murder in the deaths of patients due to OxyContin.

Graves is charged with racketeering, four counts of manslaughter through culpable negligence and five counts of unlawful delivery of a controlled substance. If convicted on all counts, Graves could face up to 20 years in state prison.

Edgar said Graves needed money after he was forced out of the taxi business after losing his job at a Pennsylvania pain clinic and a state prison. He said he knew how to roll it in as patients, most paying cash, returned repeatedly to prescribe their addictions.

"You'd spread that he was the greatest doctor," Edgar said. "He's no different than a drug dealer.""It's an admission that Graves's record keeping was poor, but said jurors would find evidence of a doctor practicing medicine, not indiscriminately prescribing drugs.

OxyContin is a 12-hour synthetic opiate. Addicts defeat the time delay and get high by chewing the pills or crushing them and then injecting the drug.

Two dozen pharmacists testified they stopped filling for what they called "Graves cocktails" that included both the money maker, the tranquilizer Xanax and the muscle relaxant Soma besides OxyContin, one pill sold for $50. The defendant knew that."
Women imitating "Monologues" promote awareness

Thanks to Molly McShane for presenting the logic of feminism in all its glory. Guys immaturely make a big deal out of their private parts, so women should too. Men are crude and obnoxious, so women should be too.

Women imitating a dubious enterprise to begin with; but feminists seem not only to seek to imitate us, but imitate us at our very worst. It is as if they consider decency, class, kindness, compassion, sensitivity and dignity — those qualities that most separate women from men — to be awful shackles holding women down, keeping them from attaining true happiness.

One should not be vulgar, indifferent (if not even hostile) toward babies and small helpless animals. loud and boisterous, drunk and promiscuous, mean to poor people and capricious and ambitious for power — in other words, like us men — then they will be free, they seem to think. It is a strange view. McShane also seems to think our attitudes toward our private parts can either take the form of pride or parts thereof - I think quiet is the best one.

We should be neither proud nor ashamed of what God gave you. Being ashamed of what God gave you does not have to mean doing a play about it. No one is asking you to be afraid of your height or hair? Should I be ashamed of being bald? Should I be ashamed of being short? Should I be proud of dark skin or being tan? Should I even be proud of doing something virtuous?

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"The Vagina Monologues" portrays a diversity of experiences among women, while the letter writer has often portrayed these boundaries as between women (some of these boundaries being nationality, race, class, age, sexual orientation). The common denominator in all the monologues being, of course, vaginas.

I agree with Molly McShane’s statement on Feb. 15 that "The Vagina Monologues" is about empowerment. The intent of "The Vagina Monologues" is to end the many forms of violence against women by reclaiming ownership of our bodies. The intent of "The Vagina Monologues" is not to promote any one lifestyle over another. If Sean claims that "The Vagina Monologues" promotes masturbation and lesbianism, then he must also claim that it encourages Bosnian soldiers to rape women with their rifles. Your standpoint,Sean, is unequivocal and one-sided. The goal of "The Vagina Monologues" is to dispel the myths about women and their vaginas, which Sean so gracious­ly upheld in his letter — namely, that there is something fundamentally offensive and graphic about women and their vaginas.

Because various forces of women’s oppression have been justified through these essentialist standpoints, it is only logical for Eve Ensler to reclaim a seemingly essential characteristic of women, such as the vagina, as a source of empowerment. "The Vagina Monologues" does not de-sexualize, rather, it offers a sense of respect and awareness about the reality and diversity of women’s experiences. It is necessary to realize that dog­matic Catholicism does not encompass the reality and totali­ty of women’s experiences. And even if the group of students protesting "The Vagina Monologues" is not willing to realize the existence of life beyond Catholicism, I simply ask you to remember that Our Lady, the Blessed Virgin Mother did, in fact, have a vagina. Perhaps Sean, you encountered the slo­gan for "The Vagina Monologues," "Think inside the Box, and applied it erroneously to function within a self-serving Catholic context.

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VIEWPOINT

I gave up tact for Lent

So, I was sitting in J’s Friday night, enjoying the best hamburger this side of the continental divide, and it struck me why you couldn’t pass up the glorious, seasoned, BBQ-sauce-slabbed, onion-coated, mouth-watering, slab of beef in exchange for a square of cod and potato chips?

The answer for me is simple — way back in the late first millennium, fishermen in Venice were starving, so the Mother Church, who’s had an obligation to fishermen since the calling of Simon, stepped in and said, “Hey everyone, we’re going to eat fish on Fridays, yeah, because, um, to make a sacrifice.” Lots of things got justified that way in Catholicism. So it was written, so it was done. The argument for the Church was that the Church was happy. The people were feeling the pride of their ascetic sacrificial eating by fish (is it really so different from meat?) and so it passed on throughout the ages and gained some sort of dogmatic significance.

Excellent. That’s all the reason I need to be ecstatic about a Church doctrine. It really upsets me when people complain that you should be able to eat meat on Fridays. It upsets me even more when Notre Dame students complain that there is no meat in the dining halls on Fridays (in the time of my Lenten, during Lent).

And let me tell you why. First, there is fish, and again, if you think about it, there’s not much difference between meat and fish. In fact, I propose that the fish was never consulted in the whole “meat” category. I contend that most fish would consider themselves meat as well. That’s not the point, however.

I can’t stand all the whining that you aren’t making a sacrifice if meat is not an option in the dining hall. This argument is complete bunk on two counts (and a third).

First off, here I am on a Friday, eating meat at J’s. So you can get meat on a Friday, all you have to do is the following: Fargo 40s at four, get dressed, walk a quarter-mile to D6, get your car (if you have one), drive three miles to CJ’s, order, wait and pay cash for your meal. That’s not much of an effort at all, so first, it is a sacrifice because of the ease at which you could obtain meat as an alternative. Quit your whining.

The next reason this argument is bad is that as I discussed earlier, not eating meat on Friday’s was never meant to be a sacrifice in the first place. It was a Church bailout of a failing fishing industry (which only happened to be owned by the Bishops themselves) in the 900s. It was the earliest form of social-welfare, so who cares whether or not it is a sacrifice.

The last reason that sacrifice argument is out the door is that Notre Dame is a Catholic school, and when you decide to come here, you decided to agree to every single Catholic thing that is present on campus. If you don’t like it, you’re free to leave. In fact, we don’t even want you here. This place is Catholic. If the University decided to persecute Jews, turn a blind eye to mass-murder or extort money from all the students promising a false salvation, you have no right to complain.

After all, this place is Catholic, and you knew that when you got here.

I sometimes hear the argument that the university is ignoring the 15 percent minority of those on campus who are not Catholic. First, I defer to my argument that Notre Dame is a Catholic school. And secondly, let’s be honest, since when has Notre Dame cared about minorities? If they can’t be bothered to care about an ethnic minority or a sexual minority, what makes anyone think they’d care about a religious minority — especially through food sales.

The final argument people make is that it is economically feasible to provide meat to students on Fridays, even if 85 percent of students didn’t eat the meat. This is totally bogus as well. A simple analysis of economics shows that at somewhere near $8.80 a meal, for 14 meals a week, plus 220 flex points, (assuming the average student only uses about 10 meals a week and each flex point is worth about two and a half real dollars) that Food Services is running chronically low on money.

Couple that with the recent rise in pop prices to $1.25, and you can easily visualize the economic crisis that would be caused by a single tray of sliced turkey at the sandwich station.

In sum, Notre Dame is fully justified in enforcing meatless Fridays, just as it is justified in enforcing opposite-sex-dorms. Stop complaining that Notre Dame students — don’t you know that you’re sheep — fall in line like the rest.

John Little

Respect Israel’s own ‘war on terror’

Eighteen months ago, the idea that the United States must distance itself politically from Israel and accommodate the Palestinians may have been a legitimate policy concern. Much has changed since that time.

In her Feb. 12 letter, "America can strongly influence the Middle East," Rachel Smith attacks controversial Israeli counterinsurgency methods. True, Ariel Sharon has repeatedly employed overwhelming force and violated international laws. Smith is also correct in her assertion that "significant changes are called for on both sides." Israel is caught in the unfortunate position of defending her security and protecting her liberty, and has yet to find an effective method of accomplishing both goals. Despite Israel’s extreme measures, however, the United States must not play into the hands of the Palestinians to the detriment of Israel.

Smith paints a sympathetic portrait of Yasser Arafat, a man "trapped under house arrest," unable to lead his people to peace. In reality, Arafat has had numerous opportunities to implement a final peace agreement with Israel. Abandoning the talks at Camp David in the summer of 2000, he made clear to the world his thirst for power trumps his desire for a lasting peace.

Over the course of the past decade, Arafat seemed to accomplish the daunting task of evolving from terrorist to statesman. He has held audiences with former President Clinton, won the Nobel Peace Prize, and come within arm’s length of presiding over an official Palestinian state. With this legitimacy, however, Arafat has reverted to his terrorist roots and called into question any legitimacy he and his Palestinian Authority have ever had.

The overwhelming number of Palestinian casualties, including women and children, cannot be pinned on Israel alone. The riots held by the Palestinians are designed to draw overwhelming response from Israel and sympathize from the international community. That sympathy is wearing thin.

The images of Palestinians celebrating the events of Sept. 11 were painful for most Americans to watch. The continuation of Palestinian suicide bombings is an overt slap in our face. Whatever common ground we may have had with the Palestinians is slipping away. By exhibiting popular support for terrorism, the Palestinian community has taken one more step toward the ominous network of "evil" our president has vowed to destroy.

What right have we now to tell Sharon to sit down, unable with Arafat and negotiate? Arafat has played this game too many times. If he is in control of the Palestinian combatants, let him order them to lay down arms. If he is not in control, as many believe to be the case, let him tell us exactly who he is. Let him prove himself a statesman. Until then, do not let him continue to play us for fools.

The U.S. policy toward terror is based upon four basic tenets: Make no concessions, bring terrorists to justice, do not tolerate state-sponsored terror and protect our friends. In the wake of Sept. 11 we have released the wrath of the U.S. military on the Taliban and al-Qaeda and vowed to continue our campaign against terror wherever we see fit. We have been pushed to our limit. And Israel has been pushed to hers.

She is not innocent, but her struggle for survival is not to be taken lightly. We fear another terrorist strike. Israel expects it. To paraphrase former Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu: "There comes a time when you can no longer afford to search for the needle in the haystack. You must simply take out the haystack."

The debate over civil liberties and national security has drawn a great deal of attention in the United States over the past several months. As yet, we have no answers. Israel’s position is much more dire, and the debate more heated. It is a situation with which she constantly struggles. Sharon and his government understand there will be no real security without peace, and no peace without justice. At the same time, like the United States, Israel makes no concessions. We will not negotiate with terrorists. Who are we to demand from Israel that which we will not do ourselves? That would be the ultimate hypocrisy, the ultimate abuse of our moral high ground.

Katie Thompson

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Respect Israel’s own ‘war on terror’
ALBUM REVIEW

Beachwood misses goal of ’60s laidback vibe

By SEAN McLAUGHLIN
Scene Music Critic

Once We Were Trees
Beachwood Sparks
Sub Pop Records
Rating

L.A.’s Beachwood Sparks tries to capture the country-rock feel of the ’60s with Once We Were Trees.

The pace of the album rarely drops. "No Such Thing," a tired track and Mayer's assertion that his music is a "saving grace," is annoying at first but reluctantly gets you to like it. The middle section of the album gets bogged down occasionally in overproduction and a case of writer's block. "Neon" has decent lyrics but goes on for too long. "Cry Love" is a tired track and "83" is not really thrilling to listen to, especially during daylight.

The quality of the album picks up again with "3X5" and "Love Song For No One." Where Mayer’s assertion that "he’s jaded / I hate it" is hardly believable but the song stays great anyway.

The best tracks come at the end of the album, with "Not Myself" and "St. Patrick’s Day." Both songs are sung effortlessly, and the songs have enjoyable melodies. There is also an increased maturity in the lyrics; in "Not Myself" Mayer says that his lover is in his "saving grace," despite any outward appearance. In the latter track, Mayer is measuring his life in terms of holidays and knows "we’ll both be safe til St. Patrick’s Day." All in all, a great way to end the album.

How the album goes over is ultimately going to be heard on your mood when you listen to it. If you are angry about something, Mayer will probably only increase your hatred of your existence. The music is extraordinarily youthful and enthusiastic, both qualities that could easily turn oil' people who only enjoy listening to The Smiths. Nine Inch Nails or the Sex Pistols.

However, on those more sunny days, Room for Squares can be youthful and energetic. The rest of the singer/songwriters currently making waves.

Mayer must have been pretty excited to get major label money, time, and studio musicians. The production on the album is pretty dense, and there are not just a few uses of overbearing organ and keyboards. Backup singers must not have been plentiful when he was still underground, and the enthusiasm of those sessions comes out in the album. The album borders on the annoying for about 50 minutes, but what makes the album good is that it never pulls you over.

The extremely cheesy "Your Body is a Wonderland" might make elitists turn off the stereo, but the strong amount of guilty pleasure involved in actually listening to a song that is filled with Everly Brothers-esque sexual innuendos is hilarious, and pretty fun.

That type of reaction stays pretty constant throughout the album; it may not be cool, but it’s enjoyable to hear a musician having such a good time and reveling in the fact that he’s still young and has time not to be bitter.

The songs never really stray that far from talking about youthful problems anyway. Whether Mayer is saying something stupid on a date ("My Stupid Mouth") or wishing he was six again ("83"), adult territory is rarely breached. On songs such as "Love Song for No One" and "Not Myself," there is a different sort of songwriting, with more concerned and typical singer/songwriter lyrics. Still they fit into the album’s musical territory effortlessly, and the songs have enjoyable melodies. There

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Songwriter John Mayer plays with youthful memories and cheerful arrangements in his premier effort, Room For Squares.

There is no doubt that there has been a significant rise in the number of singer/songwriters releasing albums on major labels since David Gray released White Ladder stadium. This landmark album was released in the United States, artists such as Ryan Adams and Pete Yorn, although they did work before, have started receiving major record label funding and airplay. John Mayer, a 25-year-old artist originally from Connecticut, definitely fits into this scene of musicians with his major label debut, Room for Squares.

It is obvious from both the title of the record and the packaging itself that Mayer is not the consummate "cool" musician — after all, the album is decorated with the packaging itself that Mayer is not the consummate<br>
ALBUM REVIEW

KMFDM attempts fresh start with Attak

By MIKE SCHMUHL
Scene Music Critic

Since its decline in the mid '90s, industrial rock has found a way to survive through action movie soundtracks and the stereos of avid metal fans. KMFDM may be the embodiment of this trend.

KMFDM, one of the pioneers of industrial rock and electronic metal, started its career in the mid '80s. Originally from Germany, the group ventured to Chicago in the early '90s to appeal to the American masses. After a couple major successes, KMFDM disbanded in 1999 after the release of Adios. Their first full album since the breakup, Attak attempts to renew the industrial sound KMFDM had mastered over their 15-year history. The first song, "Attak/Reload," gets the album off to a good start.

A heavy beat and electronic background effects pounds the listener's ears, as female vocalist Sascha Konietzko adds a powerful chorus. "Dirty" is a much darker song. The intense lyrics and the frightening vocals of lead signer Tim Skold parallel the scratchy beat and heavy guitar riffs.

"Urban Monkey Warfare" is a nice change from "Dirty." With a shallow beat, the group uses the song as a political outlet to sing about modern warfare: "Headed down the hard way/Concrete Battleground/Urban Monkey Warfare/ Sabotage Underground Camouflage."

The song "Save Me" gives the listener a sample of KMFDM's metal rock talent. Relying on traditional guitar riffs and drums and bass, the band constructs a hard rock song that stands out from the rest of the album.

"Superhero" is the fastest song on the album with a scrambling beat and techno effects. Once again, the band molds opinion into its lyrics as they attack fame and celebrity: "You're a superhero/ Demigod/ No one anywhere anytime any which way but you/ If the mirror speaks the truth we must aspire and work/ Harder to be like you/ Cause any-

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March 3

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March 8-9

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March 13

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March 13

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March 22

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Men's Basketball

Notre Dame's 'Dutch Treat'

By JOE LICANDRO
Sports Writer

Good things come to those who wait. No one knows this better than Notre Dame sophomore Tom Timmermans. After sitting out most of his freshman year due to injury, Timmermans is finally getting the opportunity to showcase his basketball skills on the court.

In Notre Dame's narrow three-point loss to Syracuse on Sunday, Timmermans grabbed a career-high six rebounds while limiting Syracuse's center Jeremy McGloin to only two points.

"It was hard to sit on the bench, but I never gave up," said Timmermans. "Even when I did not play, I just wanted to improve. When I was hurt this season, I did not get depressed or down myself. I just kept playing and working hard."

A native of Dierhuis, Netherlands, Timmermans started playing basketball at age 12 when his friends asked him to participate in a tournament in the local sports club. He always loved basketball and just really liked the sport. I was always tall and I grew six inches when I was 15, so basketball made sense.

As he grew older and improved, Timmermans participated in basketball tournaments all across Europe. In the summer before his senior year in high school, an American AAI basketball scout spotted his talent and offered him the chance to play at the Blue Ridge School in Virginia. Although leaving his family was a difficult decision, Timmermans dreamed of one day earning a college scholarship to play basketball.

"Of course it is tough to leave your family for a new country and a new culture," said Timmermans. Language was not a problem though because I learned English in school. You set big goals for yourself!

Although there has been an influx of European players in the NBA and college basketball in the last 10 years, Timmermans knew the competition would be much tougher in the United States. He worked at Blue Ridge High School to adjust to the American style of play.

European leagues are getting a lot tougher, but Timmermans knew that playing basketball in the United States would be a good experience.

During his senior year, Timmermans' talent caught the eye of several college coaches. Tennessee, Oregon and Pittsburgh all showed interest in him, but he decided to attend Notre Dame for its academic reputation.

"Notre Dame is recognized as an excellent academic institution with alums over all the world," said Timmermans. "I really liked [former Irish head coach] Matt Doherty and felt comfortable with the coaching staff at Notre Dame, also."

When Doherty decided to leave Notre Dame to coach at Syracuse, Timmermans had a negative attitude after a coaching change. Timmermans decided he was going to improve. When other players might have entered Notre Dame with a negative attitude after a coaching change, Timmermans decided he was going to improve.

Tom Timmermans forward

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While Timmermans is all about attitude and tough demeanor, his demeanor also was a key part of his success get to his head. You could not ask for a nicer guy to be around.

Timmermans' unfocused attitude and tough demeanor on the court will continue to be an important part of Notre Dame's hopes for making the NCAA tournament.

"I know my role on this team," said Timmermans. "We have plenty of guys who can score. MyTimmermans' dedication and hard work this season.

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During his senior year, Timmermans' talent caught the eye of several college coaches. Tennessee, Oregon and Pittsburgh all showed interest in him, but he decided to attend Notre Dame for its academic reputation.

"Notre Dame is recognized as an excellent academic institution with alums over all the world," said Timmermans. "I really liked [former Irish head coach] Matt Doherty and felt comfortable with the coaching staff at Notre Dame, also."

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"It was hard to sit on the bench, but I never gave up. Even when I did not play, I just wanted to improve. When I was hurt this season, I did not get depressed or down on myself. I just kept playing and working hard."

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Irish snap losing streak, beat BYU

The 18th-ranked Notre Dame women's tennis team snapped a three-match losing streak with a 6-2 victory over No. 53 Brigham Young Monday in the Eck Tennis Pavilion.

The Irish, whose previous three matches were against teams currently ranked in the national top 10, swept their way to the doubles point and won four of six singles matches to secure the win and improve to 5-5 this season. BYU fell to 2-5. Notre Dame will return to action Friday when it plays host to No. 47 BYU.

WOMEN'S TENNIS

Ratay earns Big East honors

Special to the Observer

Notre Dame junior guard Alicia Ratay has been selected as a co-recipient of the Big East Conference Player of the Week award, the league office announced Monday. It is the first player-of-the-week award of Ratay's three-year Irish career, although she was a six-time Big East Rookie of the Week during the 1999-2000 season. She shared this week's honor with Connecticut guard Diana Taurasi.

Ratay averaged 19.5 points and nine rebounds per game last week, shooting 58.3 percent (from the field, 14-of-24) as No. 23 Notre Dame extending its winning streak to a season-high seven games with wins over St. John's and Rutgers.

Ratay notched her first double-double of the season (and the fourth of her career) Wednesday against St. John's, finishing with 14 points and a season-best 10 rebounds.

She topped that performance on Saturday night at Rutgers, scoring a season-high 25 points on 10-of-15 shooting in a 57-52 win over the Scarlet Knights. Ratay tallied 16 of her points in the second half, including 10 in a span of 3:21 which helped the Irish claim their third victory in the last four visits to Rutgers.

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After the Taliban came to power in Afghanistan, many schools and homes have been burnt down, lives lost, and the country's landscape marked with the signs of war. This includes land mines covering the ground, many of which are stepped on each day by innocent victims. This film examines the experiences of an Italian surgeon and war correspondent as they set up and run a hospital and presents many challenges and frustrations to its founders.

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MEN'S Sports

Freshmen have solid showing in conference meet

Tuesday, February 19,

By DAVE Writer

In most college sports, it is the biggest impact on the team. Basketball has Ryan Humphrey. Football has Anthony Weaver.

But for the Notre Dame men's track and field team it was the freshmen who made perhaps the biggest impact in this past weekend's Big East Conference meet. Freshmen Dwight Ellick, Selim Nurudeen, Eric Morrison and Chris Storan combined for a total of 27 of Notre Dame's 101.75 points to lead the Irish to a third place finish at the Big East Conference meet.

Sprinter Ellick had probably the most impressive performance of the freshmen, taking third place in both the 200-meter dash and the 60-meter dash.

"Dwight Ellick was ranked third, got third. We got points wherever we could get them," said head coach Joe Plane. "I felt that I did pretty good. I went through a rough atmosphere. I wasn't worried about being a freshman or anything like that. I have three more years to get first," said Plane.

Ellick has been making consistent improvement so far this season. In the 60-meter dash, he has taken first in a dual meet against Michigan State and fourth at the Meyo Invitational.

"I was right in the area where I was expecting myself to be. I have areas to improve, so I come back, practice, and just get stronger and better," said Ellick.

Nurudeen and Morrison were also in top form this weekend. Nurudeen took third in the 60-meter hurdles and Morrison took fifth in the 800-meter run and was on the eighth place 4x800-meter relay team.

Morrison took seventh in the preliminaries of the 800, then was able to improve in the finals, where the times were a little bit slower than he is used to.

"The time itself was slow, only because everyone needed a new set of kick returns from the preliminaries. In the last 100 meters (in the 800) the guy steps on the rail, and we got helped there," said Plane.

Following up the freshman performances was Storan in the high jump. Storan, whose best jump this year had been 6 feet, 4 inches going into the Big East meet, jumped 6-7 en route to a third place finish.

"I think the men were probably disappointed with the third-place finish. We scored almost everywhere we could," said Plane.

The only victories for the Irish in the Big East meet came from senior Ryan Shay who won both the 3,000-meter run and the 5,000-meter run. Shay did not see the strongest competition on the weekend, as he won the 3,000 by more than four seconds and the 5,000 by more than four seconds.

Classmate Luke Watson did not have the weekend he wanted to have.

"It wasn't a bad weekend for me, but it wasn't good either. I think I could have done better in both events [the 3000-meter and the mile]. Primarily on execution and strategy, because in Big East races in distance races it's all about strategy. I didn't execute as well as I could have," said Watson.

Watson still took second in the 3000 behind Shay and third in the mile run. 04 seconds behind second place Ryan Hayden of Villanova.

Taking first place at the meet was Connecticut, with Villanova finishing in second. Defending champion Georgetown finished a disappointing fourth place.

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No. 14 Irish start rough, finish smooth at Pepsi Classic

By MATT LOZAR
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame softball overcame a rough start to the weekend and won three of its five games at the Arizona Pepsi Classic at the University of Arizona during the weekend.

On Friday, the No. 14 Irish started their season against No. 1 Arizona, led by senior pitcher Jennie Finch. Behind her strong pitching, the Wildcats capitalized on eight Irish walks to win the game 3-0.

"I think the game was [good for us] so we could see where we were right from the start," said junior shortstop Andria Bledsoe. "We were able to measure ourselves against the best and learn a lot."

The Wildcats brought a 48-game home winning streak into the game and Finch won her 45th consecutive game.

After that game, the Irish took on Auburn, who at 9-0 was off to its best start in school history. Two first inning runs put the Tigers ahead early, but the Irish tied the game on Bledsoe's RBI single that scored Loman from third.

Freshman Stetffany Stenglein relieved fellow freshman Carrie Wisen in the top of the seventh and yielded three runs as the Irish lost 4-1. Those freshmen pitched all but one inning over that momentum to come back with a tremendous job this weekend enabling the Irish to take a 5-4 lead.

Notre Dame could not carry the momentum to Saturday's game against Louisville. The Cardinals went up 1-0 on Melissa Jaenbo's fourth inning homerun, but the Irish tied the game on Bledsoe's RBI single that scored Loman from third.

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"They [Stenglein and Wisen] did a tremendous job this weekend for us," said Bledsoe. "It is a tough thing to come into a great program and excel right away. They have one of the best defenses in the nation and need to learn how to use it."

However, the Irish made a comeback. They scored two runs on errant throws to get within one. The comeback fell short when Jenny Kestich was thrown out at third trying to advance on a wild throw.

That afternoon, the Irish offense came together against New Mexico State. Stenglein started the game and gave up three runs before she was pulled after getting only one out. Wisen relieved her to keep the Irish in the game by giving up four runs in six and two-thirds innings.

The Irish offense got started in the fourth by exploding for five runs. Lisa Mattison drove in Bledsoe and Jarrah Myers to get the lead down to two. Then, two errors by the Aztec shortstop enabled the Irish to take a 5-4 lead.

Notre Dame added one more in the top of the fifth and New Mexico State came back with three in the bottom of the sixth to take a 7-6 lead. Liz Hartmann drove in Myers on a 1-2 pitch to bring the Irish even. Then, in the eighth, Myers doubled home Loman to give the Irish the winning run and the 8-7 victory.

Junior Jessica Sharron pitched the bottom of the eighth to get the save for Wisen (1-1). The Irish jumped out to the early lead against Southern Florida. Loman brought Kestich home with a single in the first and the Irish scored two unearned runs in the third to take a 3-0 lead.

South Florida scored one in the sixth and two in the seventh, but could not get anymore giving the Irish the 5-3 victory. Stenglein (2-1) got the victory with Wisen picking up the save.

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ICE HOCKEY

Americans feel at home during 8-1 victory

Associated Press

PARK CITY, Utah — Guess what, mate? There's a surprising new powerhouse at the bottom of the Winter Olympics:

It's Australia, the sunny land of cricket, rugby and swimming, which had never won a gold medal in the Winter Olympics before this year. Suddenly, they have two in three days.

Freestyle aerialist Alisa Camplin joined Speedskater Steven Bradbury as the latest Australian to win an Olympic gold in Salt Lake City.

Camplin, a 27-year-old from the ski resort town of Perisher near Melbourne, Melbourne, broke the Aussies' 11th place in the freestyle skiing competition this year. In 1998, the Aussies' best finish was in the team event, where they placed eighth.

Camplin's aerials weren't bad either. She flopped on her trip down the course, landing a pair of triple-twisting, double-backflip aerials, but that didn't stop her from winning the gold medal.

Camplin is the second Australian to win a gold medal in the Winter Olympics, following the fairy tale story of Steven Bradbury's gold medal in the men's 1,000-meter Olympic sprint in 1998.

Camplin's gold medal was the first for an Australian in the Winter Games, and it's a fitting end to a story that's been a long time in the making.

Camplin's win in the aerials was the result of hard work and dedication. She trained for three years to prepare for the Winter Olympics, and her efforts paid off.

Camplin is the latest in a line of successful Australian athletes who have made their mark on the Winter Olympics. She joins the likes of Snowboarder Torah Bright and Snowboarder Chef de Mission Alisa Camplin, who won gold medals at the 2010 Vancouver Olympics.

Camplin's win also comes at a time when Australian sport is experiencing a renaissance. The country's athletes have been performing exceptionally well, with a number of records being broken and new records being set.

Camplin's win is a testament to the hard work and dedication of Australian athletes, and it's a fitting end to a year that has been full of success for Australian sport.
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some of the most important things in life. "I come here tonight, not to hear my voice, but to deliver a message, and the message is to the youngsters to love your parents and to do everything you can to make them proud of you," Lasorda said.

A longtime friend of Mainieri, Lasorda has also developed a close relationship with Notre Dame during the past year, including giving a speech at the Tennessee pep rally. "I saw that baseball team filing in here earlier, and I was out there working with them today," Lasorda said. "And I have never seen a bunch of young baseball players who were more polite than those fellows. That's a tribute to the parents, No. 1, and No. 2, that's a tribute to (Paul Mainieri) because he is... without a doubt one of the finest college coaches in this entire country."

While much of the speech focused on baseball, Lasorda stressed the importance of getting an education and taking advantage of opportunities in life. "You young men, you players, you come here for an education — that's why you're here," Lasorda commented. "You're fortunate enough to play sports, but get an education, because that's why you come here."

The coach also emphasized the importance of doing everything in life to the best of one's abilities. "When you get up in the morning and look in the mirror, there's going to be people two people you cannot fool: God and yourself," he stated. "And you're going to say one of two things to yourself: 'How far could I have gone in life if I had given it everything that I had?'" If you didn't, you'll regret it the rest of your life, but if you did, you'll never have any regrets because you're doing what you're supposed to do."

As he concluded, Lasorda's admiration for the University showed through with some of his closing statements to the team. "When you go out there to play, play the game for the name on the front of the jersey and not on the back," Lasorda said. "Represent this team because it's the greatest institution that you could ever represent. Don't ever embarrass it, and when you leave here, leave a legacy for those coming in behind you. If you are what you are supposed to, no one will ever be able to beat that legacy."

"You have this opportunity — play, play your heart out," Lasorda said. "Wear that uniform with pride, dignity and character, and you'll never regret it."

The evening was held to generate excitement about the Irish baseball team and its upcoming season. Everyone who bought tickets to the function also received season tickets for the 2002 baseball season.

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who I finished right behind. When I have someone like her pushing me at practice, it helps you carry that strategy to the meet," said Gunn. "She had the race of her life. When I looked up at the scoreboard and saw that she got fourth, I went crazy. That was huge. That was how we won the meet," said Grow.

Head coach Joe Piane recognized how important Gunn's race was over the weekend, also. "One surprise was Tiffany Gunn. What a help that was. Nobody anticipated that. She ended up getting five points where we were hoping for one," said Piane.

The Irish were able to clinch the Big East title without any individual victories, showing the depth of the women's squad this year. "I don't think I've ever heard of anyone winning a meet of that caliber and not winning a single event. We scored in 15 events, and that shows a lot of depth," said Piane.

The winner of the meet came down to the mile relay, the last race of the day. Notre Dame had 106 points and Georgetown had 102 points going into the race. Fortunately for the Irish, Georgetown got second and Notre Dame got third, which gave the Irish the two-point lead over the Hoyas.

"If we ended up third, we couldn't lose. We were coaching for our ladies to be at least third, and Seton Hall to win, which is exactly what happened," said Piane. "We were very confident going into the race. We thought we had to beat Georgetown to win, so it came as a surprise that we had won," said Grow who anchored the relay team. "J a m i e V o l k m e r also had a strong day, provisionally qualifying for nationals in the pole vault. Her vault of 12 feet, 5 inches took second place, and she also took sixth place in the triple jump."

This victory marked Notre Dame's first victory in the indoor conference meet and the coaches were named Coaches of the Year for indoor track and field.

"They were great. It was wonderful," said Piane.

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JPW doesn’t stop Irish from gripping No. 2

Special to the Observer

Second place for the women as the Purdue Golden Gips Invitational was a stunning accomplishment, as the JPW depleted gymnastics squad was missing several members. Highlights included Caitlin O’Brien’s 9.0 on the Bars, as O’Brien took second, Katie Bonchonsky third, Mary Blazwicz fourth and Susan Jennings fifth in a strong 13 team field.

On the men’s side, only two Irish were able to attend. James DisStefano performed on rings, parallel bar and vault, while Pete Bluin entered rings, floor and vault, but the Irish were out of the scoring. The club will compete next weekend at Indiana’s Big Red Invitational.

Women’s water polo

Playing before family and friends during JPW, the Irish dominated their first conference tournament of the season. With centerpiece Brigitta Algo and her defense holding opponents to 12 goals in three games, the Irish exploded on attack. Seniors Lauren Kozmier and Liz Parolin splashed home 13 and nine goals each, while Allison Gienko and Margo Klosterman chipped in with five goals apiece and Jacee Aragon ripped the nets for three more. The Irish opened with a 19-7 pounding of Western Michigan, followed by two one-sided victories over Grand Valley, 15-2, and Bowling Green, 21-3. The scheduled fourth game with Xavier was officially declared a forfeit as the Irish posted a 4-0 record for the tournament.

Men’s volleyball

The Irish netters took three of four contests in the Midwest Ten Conference Qualifier this weekend, including two stummers over nationally ranked teams, at host Iowa. In the tournament opener, the Irish edged Northern Illinois 25-21, 19-25, 15-13. In the second round the Irish squared off against Wisconsin-Whitewater, undefeated in conference play and ranked 14th nationally. The Irish dropped a 25-23 first game before rallying to win 25-17, 16-14. Next up was No. 20 Ball State, who also fell to the Irish 25-19, 22-25, 15-9. With their roster also reduced by JPW fatigue finally caught up with the Irish, as they dropped the finale to Wisconsin-Oshkosh, 25-23, 25-22.

With so many players missing, newcomers Dan Parziale and Nick Abrams stepped up to fill voids at middle hitter. Mike Giampa, still recovering from a sprained ankle, played well. The men's side is scheduled to compete next weekend at Indiana's Big Red Invitational.

Ultimate

Cincinnati’s Arctic Vogue may prove to be the coming out party for the men’s squad of the Ultimate club, as they reached the quarterfinals before falling to Indiana 13-7. The Irish opened with a convincing 13-7 victory over Northernwestern and followed up with a close win over Hope College, 12-10. Their next match was against Cincinnati, 11-9, and a club on 10 placed the team in the quarters. Stanford Hall’s sophomore tandem of Sean O’Neill and Jess Moore played well all weekend on both sides of the disc, as the Irish continue to build team depth.

Equestrian

The equestrians competed at Purdue this weekend in separate Saturday and Sunday meets. On Sunday, the Irish’ Molly Kopacz earned high point rider honors as she took first in Intermediate Fiffs and Intermediate Fences. Many riders had outstanding performances as Quin Swiney captured first in novice fences, and Meganne Hoffman and Jill Godbout second in open fences and novice fences respectively. Callie Willis earned third in novice flats as did Erin Hughes in advanced walk/trot/canter. Godbou’s fourth in intermediate flats was complemented by Mary Barter and and Kelly Gentile tying for fifth in the event. Barter also placed fourth in open fences.

In Saturday’s meet, Quin Swiney took second in both novice flat and novice fences, while Meganne Hoffman took third in open fences and fourth in open flat to pace the Irish. Kristen Jones and Barter placed fifth, sixth in open fences and Kopacz and Godbou took third and second in intermediate and novice fences respectively.

Ski

Twenty-four schools, including national powerhouse St. Olaf, St. Thomas, Minnesota, Northern Michigan, Michigan Tech and Marquette, faced off at the Regional qualifi­ ers at Marquette, Mich. in Saturday’s slalom, the Irish men captured 11th place, as the four fastest skiers earn points for their team. Joe PAYER led the Irish with a 32nd place showing, followed closely in order by Dan Block, Wes Jacobs and Eric Hanson. Jason Leucht and Sudheet Wul narrowly missed the top four, while Marc Pribacz, who had a first place run at Divisionals, was unable to finish his first run on the hard-packed snow.

The women’s squad, missing start Molly Munsterer to JPW, finished 16th as Danielle Clements finished first on the first run in 11th place. Also earning points for the women were Ellen Block, Lauren Dacey, and Leslie Schmidt. Anna Swiney, Caitlin Wood and Caityn Wolf both finished, but out of scoring.

In the giant slalom on Sunday, both squads finished 11th. Block, Payne, Leucht and Jacobs finished in the scoring for the men, while Clements Block, Dacey and Schmidt gained points for the women.

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At 8 p.m. on Saturday things were questionable for the Irish. On a court where they have a bad history without their go-to player, the Irish were unsure how they would play against the Rutgers Scarlet Knights. However, tonight as the Irish take their home court to face off against the West Virginia Mountaineers, the mood will be more settled.

After winning one game without leading scorer Jackie Batteast, it looks as if an Irish team that was unstable with Batteast early in the season has progressed enough that it can bring home the win even without her.

"I think the rest of the team, everybody's doing a little more," said head coach Muffet McGraw. "I think they all want to do well."

Batteast, who will be out again on Tuesday due to a partially torn knee ligament, may find it difficult to watch from the sidelines, but she's confident in her teammates' abilities to carry the team.

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Freshman Katy Flecky will again be starting in Batteast's usual spot. After having a solid game on Saturday with four rebounds and two blocks, she teamed up with fellow freshman Teresa Borton in a solid offensive and defensive effort and McGraw hopes to see that combination again tonight.

"I really thought [Flecky] played well," McGraw said. "She and Teresa played so well together, they're going to play a lot together."

Freshman Allison Bustamante may also get to see some more playing time in the wake of the Irish injuries. With junior point guard Jeneika Joyce sidelined again because of an Achilles' tendon injury, Bustamante may see some extra time at point guard, a position she started in against Seton Hall two weeks ago.

"Like Coach said, it's a great opportunity for a bunch of people to step up and show what they can do," Bustamante said. "I think we will do that.

With the increased leadership of Alicia Ratay and Ericka Haney, Notre Dame has a solid front to present to West Virginia. Ratay, who was named Big East co-player of the week, scored a season-high 25 points against Rutgers on Saturday, and Haney has scored in the double figures in four games since mid-January.

"I think [Batteast] just wants to win," McGraw said. "She's trying to do it any way she can and she's trying to contribute any way she can ... [Haney's] playing great. Ever since Connecticut, she's shooting well. She's scoring."

The Irish will have to face off against a Mountaineer team that presents several problems for them offensively. West Virginia (14-10, 6-7) can hit shots from the outside and drive inside, which will trouble a Notre Dame transition defense that struggled against Rutgers late.

"They problems they present for us defensively is really quickness on the perimeter ... it's a match-up problem for us," McGraw said. "On the inside I think Brandi Batch is a really big match-up problem for us." Tip-off is at 7 p.m. at the Joyce Center.

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CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: Justine Bateman, Sidney Robinson, Margaret Ham- ingway. Happy Birthday! You will be the one who moves into the role of leadership regarding personal financial affairs this year. You should take a serious look at your insurance policies, investments, wills at all other personal papers requiring updating. You should put some time aside to have hard copies made. Now is the time to play it slow and steady. Your number is 7, 5, 1, 1, 5, 4. ARIES (March 21-April 19): No one will be able to keep up with you today. Your manner way of getting everything accom­ plished will dazzle observers. Don't do so much that you bustle yourself. 00000 TAURUS (April 20-May 20): You may want to keep things to yourself for just a little longer. If you share your secret thoughts there should be a good chance that some­ one will be interested in your idea and see if it all has any sense. 00000 GEMINI (May 21-June 20): The more you contribute to a group you belong to, the better. You will end up in a position of leadership if you play your cards right. The responsibility you are given will fill your self-esteem. 00000 CANCER (June 21-July 22): Be sure to show some pride in your work this year. Don't be afraid to show your friends that you are prepared to be successful. 00000 LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Your day is favorable for changes in your attitude toward success. 00000 VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): You'll have money on your mind today. Figure out a good strategy regarding saving and invent­ ing and you will go ahead this year. 00000 LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Rela­ tionships will be hot. Whether you are building a strong connection to the one you are in love with or you are single, you will find your­ self in a favorable position in this part of your life around today. 00000 SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Focus on the people who can influence your future. If you put some effort into the things that you enjoy doing the most, you will find that you will be doing more of these projects as time goes on. 00000 SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You will have a forceful competitor today. Your skill coupled with your desire to make things happen will lead to a better future. 00000 CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): This is not the best day to make changes around your home. Focus on your work, where you can make a significant impact. 00000 AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): This will be a great day to travel. Drop in to see someone you don't have time to visit. A trip is on your mind. 00000 PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): The more creative you are, the better. You will find some great ideas for ways to make extra cash. Don't hesitate to start your own business. 00000 Birthday Baby: You need to possess and protect whatever you consider to be yours. You cling to those you love. You are sensitive with you today. Your surefire way of getting your way will be strong. Don't use your strong will. 00000
Lasorda pleases crowd

Former Dodgers coach speaks at baseball dinner

By CHRIS FEDERICO Assistant Sports Editor

Former Los Angeles Dodgers head coach Tommy Lasorda unofficially opened the 2002 Irish baseball season with a speech to Irish players and fans in the Joyce Center Monday night.

Notre Dame's season does not begin until Friday but the "ballpark style" dinner gave Notre Dame fans a chance to see the team before it travels to New Orleans to face Missouri in the first game of the season.

Lasorda cast a light-hearted tone on the evening, telling jokes about growing up Catholic and recalling humorous stories from his many years in baseball with the Dodgers.

The legendary coach and Olympic gold medal winner entertained the crowd of fans with numerous stories about baseball, Italians and Catholics before moving on to the more serious part of his speech.

"I've been to a lot of affairs throughout these great United States and I love to meet people because when I leave I always feel so much richer, and I know when I leave here I will feel so much richer," Lasorda said.

Lasorda spoke to many of the young people in the audience about what he considered

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Women's Track and Field

Grow leads Irish to Big East title

By DAVE COOK Sports Writer

Track and field is an individual sport. From start to finish, the individual is in total control of the outcome of the race.

But for senior sprinter Liz Grow, teamwork is most important.

It is what won the Big East Conference meet for the Irish this past weekend.

"This is my team. I've done it for four years, I love it. I love it so much to see how far we've come, and to watch these girls give it there all for this team. It's unbelievable," said Grow.

Freshman hurdler Tiffany Gun also feels the impact that Grow has on this team this year.

"She's awesome. She's one of those captains where if you're down, she'll put you on your back. But if you're not giving your 100 percent she'll chew you out. She's one of those people that if you're not performing your best, she's not going to be happy. She makes sure that I'm giving it my all, she leads by example," said Gun.

Grow's success on the track at the Big East Conference championship was equally important as her impact on the team.

Grow was in three events totaling five races on the weekend en route to setting a school record in the 500-meter and scoring 15 points for the Irish.


Grow took second in the 500 and eighth in the 200, and was on the mile relay team that took third place.

"I wish I would have won the 500, I really wanted those two points, I scored eight points where I would have scored 10 if I won," said Grow.

"Grow was probably the biggest surprise of the meet. A freshman 60-meter hurdler who was ranked eighth going into the meet, Gun snuck into the finals and took a fourth place finish for the Irish."

"I've kept improving each weekend. It helps practicing alongside Tameisha King,"

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SMC Basketball

Belles looking for upset

By JOE HETTLER Sports Writer

For three Saint Mary’s seniors, Elizabeth Linkous, Anne Blair and Jamie Dineen, Saturday’s 66-53 upset victory over Kalamazoo was a memorable way to finish out their careers at Saint Mary's.

Now they want more.

"On Thursday we got together, and we were talking about practice about how we want to make this last as long as we can," said Linkous. "With the bracket we're in the tournament, the only team we haven't beaten in our bracket is Adrian. So if we win this game we feel we can pretty much win the rest of them."

No. 3-seed Adrian has beaten the sixth-seeded Belles twice this season by scores of 81-76 and 70-57. Saint Mary’s hopes to break that streak in the first round of the MIAA tournament.

The last time these two teams faced each other was less than a week ago at home. Linkous believes that Adrian has the pressure on them to win because it is the higher seeded team, and because it has already beaten Saint Mary’s twice this year.

"Today we talked about how hard it is for their mentality coming into the game playing us," said Linkous. "They have to think they have to beat us three times in a row, and it's hard to beat someone three times in a row. So we're pretty much thinking upset."

For that upset to happen, the Belles must rebound better against Adrian.

Rebounding has been a consistent problem all year for the Belles, and head coach Suzanne Smith believes that aspect of the game is the key to the Belles advancing to the second round.

"They're a very good transition team, they really push the ball. We definitely have to do a better job of rebounding," said Smith.

Saint Mary's will also have to shut down the league's fourth leading scorer, Ra'Sheida Edwards, who averages 13.1 points per game.

If the Belles can shut down Edwards and play much like they did on Saturday, they will have a very good chance of