Republicans debate at ND

By ANDREW THAGARD
Assistant News Editor

They may have disagreed on campaign tactics and the value of experience versus a youthful perspective, but Republican primary candidates James Ehrhard and Carl Baxmeyer agreed on the importance of cutting government waste, creating jobs and improving education during a debate sponsored by College Republicans.

Ehrhard, a 27-year-old trial attorney in South Bend, and Baxmeyer, a 49-year-old Michigan, Ind., resident are running for the State House of Representatives seat against Democratic candidate Ryan Devorak.

The debate focused on upcoming state tax restructuring and slimming down government slack in all areas, including education and the corrections system.

"There's no more important time than now to have the Republicans in charge of the state legislature since tax restructuring is going on. I've spent time in the state of `Taxachusetts' and I won't let that happen to Indiana," Ehrhard said to the crowd of 20. "When you raise prices you get less customers, when you raise taxes you get fewer citizens."

"Property tax restructuring is going to hit the average citizen, agriculture and business extremely hard if we don't do something," Baxmeyer echoed. "We've lost 100,000 jobs in the last two years, think of how many tax dollars that is." Both candidates also endorsed the idea of using so-called "hidden funds," money that builds up in government accounts over time and sits unused, to ease the state out of the current recession.

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Prosecutor assumes rape case

By HELENA PAYNE
News Editor

The county prosecutor's office will take over the Saint Joseph County Police investigation of an alleged March 28 rape involving five Notre Dame students today.

State Prosecutor Chris Toth will decide whether or not to file charges against the four suspects after evaluating the case and evidence acquired from an April 10 search of one suspect's house where the alleged rape occurred.

The alleged victim is a 20-year-old female, and the suspects are three Notre Dame football players and one former team member.

Capt. Harry Seider of the County Police Detective Bureau said police generally send evidence to one of the four state laboratories.

ND to host UN global conference

By LAUREN BECK
News Writer

Notre Dame will host the first conference in the United States dedicated to the United Nations Global Compact next week.

The conference, "Meeting Expectations in the World Economy: The United Nations Global Compact," addresses the U.N.'s new initiative to diffuse the benefits of global economic development through voluntary corporate policies and actions.

Father Oliver Williams, director of Notre Dame's Center for Ethics and Religious Values in Business and the conference director, said, "Anybody involved in business needs to understand their responsibilities to the local community and the world."
Friends for the long haul

Everyone has heard the friends you make in college last a lifetime. And, most of your high school friends will quickly grow without you. For me, the College friends are true but there may vary a little bit. I for one know that the friends I have made over the past three years could not be any closer to me than my own family, in fact, they are my family.

Think about it, you wake up with these people, you eat with them and you see them in your best and worst moments. What does this describe? A family.

Over the past four years I have had a family away from my family in St. Louis. At high school, you do become close with people, but it isn’t the same. Spending all day with your friends at school, or hanging out with them after school, or even hanging out is not the same as living with them. During my four years in high school, like most, I had really good friends I knew I could count on. But let’s be honest, for the most part they did not mean much after we came to college. I just grew apart and priorities changed. Now I’m not saying that I still don’t have some really great friends in my life, but the select few that I still consider myself close with are again like my family and have been true to me.

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Storin heads new media department

By HELENA PAYNE
News Editor

Former editor of the Boston Globe and 1964 graduate, Matthew Storin, will oversee the newly created media department for public affairs and Notre Dame communication. Storin, Matthew Storin, will focus on the media-related operations of public relations for the University.

"In addition to being one of the nation's most respected journalists, Matt is an alumnus who through the years has demonstrated a genuine commitment to Notre Dame's institutional mission," said Namni in a press release. Along with Denny Moore, the associate vice president of public affairs and communication, and assistant vice president, Shannon Sullivan, Storin will contribute to the early stages of the office's recently announced reorganization.

As a veteran journalist for many U.S. newspapers, Storin said he looks forward to a new opportunity to find "the best possible ways to tell the Notre Dame story."

Storin retired from the Globe in July 2001, after eight years as the paper's editor, and a total of 22 years with the daily. Storin has covered news from the White House to Tokyo for the Globe. He has also worked for U.S. News and World Report, the Chicago Sun-Times, the New York Daily News, the Maine Times, and his hometown paper, the Daily News of Springfield, Mass.

"The job of an editor of a large metropolitan newspaper is an all-consuming job," said Storin. "It doesn't leave time for much else."

Following his retirement, Storin took time off for six months before entering a program at Harvard's John F. Kennedy School of Government.

Storin said he hopes to use his East Coast background to give Notre Dame a greater presence in metropolitan areas.

"I hope that we can solidify our relations with media centers like New York and Washington which are so important to any institution that has a national following," he said.

Storin, a member of the advisory council's of the College of Arts and Letters and the John W. Gallivan Program on Journalism, said he would like to teach classes at some point, although he will not teach in the fall.

"My first priority is to get to know the administration and the job," Storin said.

Storin and his wife, Keiko, have four children: Karen, 37, Aimee a '87 Notre Dame graduate, 36, Sean, 34, and freshman Kenny, 18.

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neurodegenerative diseases may be two sides of the same protein coin. "There might be a subset of proteins that move a cell either toward proliferation or cell death," D’Souza-Schorey said. D’Souza-Schorey’s findings were published in collaboration with Peter Peters, Ke Ning, Felipe Palacios, Rita Boshans, Alexey Kazantsev, Leslie Thompson of the University of California at Irvine and Ben Woodman and Gillian Rates of the Division of Medical and Molecular Genetics, Guy’s and St. Thomas’s School of Medicine. Contact Andrew Thagard at athagard@nd.edu.

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said he hopes the confer- ence will encourage An­ comunity involvement in the Global Compact. While over 200 European compa­ nies have joined the com­ pact, the initiative has not caught on as well in the United States, where only one or two companies have signed up.

"This conference is a good launching pad to get the idea started in the United States. ... We want to familiarize multi-national corporations with the Global Compact and to encourage them to sign up," said Williams.

U.N. Secretary-general Kofi Annan formulated the Global Compact in 1999 as nine principles that focused on human rights, labor rights and concern for the environment. Annan argued at the Davos World Economic Forum that shared values and an ethical culture provided a more stable environment for a world market and extended the prospect of globaliza­ tion to developing nations.

"The Global Compact attempts to level the playing field and to set some base lines to make world trade more fair," Williams said. After Annan spoke at Commencement and received an honorary Notre Dame degree in 2000, he contacted Williams for help in promoting the Global Compact.

"He was impressed with the number of business leaders who were graduate­ ing from Notre Dame," said Williams.

Williams said the confer­ ence fit in well with the University’s mission.

"Notre Dame is a world-­ class university, and it’s our mission to make the world a better place for our graduates having been there," he said.

The conference, which is sponsored by Notre Dame’s Center for Ethics and Religious Values in Business and the United Nations, will begin Sunday at 7 p.m. Georg Kell, senior officer of the Executive Office of the Secretary General and director of the U.N. Global Compact Office, will deliver the keynote address.

On Monday and Tuesday, several companies already practicing some of the Compact’s principles, including Hewlett-Packard Co., Mattel, Motorola, Inc., Nike, Inc. and Shell Oil Company, will present case studies dealing with their experiences.

More information on the conference can be found at www.nd.edu/~ethics.

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D’Souza-Schorey

Matha named student trustee

Matha, former stu­ dent body vice president, has been named as the new student trustee for the 2002-2003 school year. Beginning this weekend she will work with the Board of Trustees by observing current student trustee, Akmaral Omarova.

"I’m very excited that Kristen is going to be the new student trustee," Omarova said. "I think she will do a great job.

Matha plans to follow the steps of past student trustees, continuing mass e-mail, mailings and lunches to encourage interaction between the stu­ dents and the Board. Matha also intends to keep in close contact with student government, attending Board of govern­ ment meetings and working with student representatives.

"I think BOG is representative of student concerns and an active participant in all student endeavors and I’m very excited to work with Kim Jensen," Matha said. "I look forward to this interaction and I just hope to bring a voice and knowledge to the Board."

Matha brings a wealth of experience with her to the stu­ dent trustee position having been a student leader for three years. Representing her class and the student body has given her extensive knowledge about administration and stu­ dent government functions. "I’ve sat on the Education and Student Life committee, so I’ve had interaction with the Trustees before, but I have a lot to learn," Matha said. "Being a recognizable face on campus I hope students continue to talk to me and I’m excited to be stu­ dent trustee."

Students have the chance to interact with the Board, Omarova and Matha today at lunch and this afternoon at 4:30 p.m. when the official ground­ breaking ceremony for the new Student Center/Noble Family Dining Hall takes place.

The Student Life committee, which Omarova sits on, will be discussing the current alcohol policy, international students and diversity and catholic iden­ tity.

"We’re not looking at making changes to the alcohol policy," Dr. Linda Timm, vice president of Student Affairs, said. "I want to talk with them about a report that came out about women and binge drinking and about the change in Notre Dame poli­ cy and what the implications of that are."

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Applications are being accepted now for Summer Session I, May 20 to June 27, and Session II, July 1 to August 8. To apply online, go to www.hc-cd.edu/admissions.
**World News Briefs**

Al Jazeera shows Bin Laden again: The Arab satellite channel Al Jazeera aired additional excerpts Thursday from a videotape in which Osama bin Laden praised the Sept. 11 hijackers. Excerpts from the undated videotape were first broadcast Monday. On Wednesday, clips from a similar tape were aired on another Arab satellite station across the Middle East.

Annan: Troops needed in Mideast: U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan appealed to the international community Thursday to quickly deploy a "robust" armed force to halt the Israeli-Palestinian conflict's "descent into bloodletting." Annan told the U.N. Security Council in a closed session that a force large enough to take "decisive action" is essential to ending the deadly cycle of attacks.

**National News Briefs**

Atlantis crew ready to head home: Space shuttle Atlantis' astronauts aimed for a Friday homecoming after completing one of the most complex construction jobs ever at international space station. Good weather was forecast for the early afternoon touchdown. The seven astronauts installed a 44-foot girder at the time, have railroad tracks spanning the entire length, and support four sets of solar wings.

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**Indian News Briefs**

Indian ghost tracker club: About a dozen people — some armed with tape recorders and cameras, others with electromagnetic field detectors and night scopes — will gather Saturday in search of a most complex construction jobs ever at international space station. Good weather was forecast for the early afternoon touchdown. The seven astronauts installed a 44-foot girder at the time, have railroad tracks spanning the entire length, and support four sets of solar wings.

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**West Bank**

Troops pull out from Jenin area

Associated Press

Israel will complete its pullout from the town of Jenin overnight, an army commander said Thursday, after a curfew was lifted and refugee camp residents began searching for loved ones under the rubble. A U.N. envoy said the incursion caused "colossal suffering" and was unjustified. Brig. Gen. Eyal Schlein, the Israeli army's Jenin division commander, said his forces had destroyed the "infrastructure — explosive labs, organization heads and also terrorists." But he told Israel TV, "The attacks will continue — we haven't achieved any cease-fire."

After Israeli forces pulled back from most parts of Jenin on Thursday, Schlein said the withdrawal would be completed overnight, and the military would redeploy on the outskirts. Near Nablus, the Israeli military said it captured Husam Anuf Ali Badran, a leader of the Hamas militant organization who the army said was responsible for the deaths of more than 100 Israelis in some of the worst suicide bombings in the last year.

He reportedly had a hand in the March 27 Passover suicide bombing in Netanya that triggered the Israeli drive into Palestinian cities and towns. An army statement said his capture "is a significant blow" to Hamas. Witnesses said he was captured and three others were killed in a raid by helicopters firing rockets and machine guns outside the village of Beit Hassan. Jerje Roed-Larsen, the U.N. envoy, said 300 buildings were destroyed and 2,000 people were left homeless in the Jenin refugee camp, scene of some of the bloodiest fighting of Israel's three-week campaign to capture or kill armed militants in the West Bank.

"Not any objective can justify such action, with colossal suffering" to civilians, said Larsen, wearing a blue flak jacket and walking over a broad swath of pulverized concrete where hundreds of people once lived.

Residents found the remains of two bodies and said one of them appeared to be that of Mahmoud Tawalbeh, the regional leader of militant Islamic Jihad. He had admitted sending suicide bombers to Israel, among them his younger brother. On April 11, Israel reported it believed its forces killed Tawalbeh.

**Senators block Iraqi oil imports**

Associated Press

The Senate voted Thursday to bar Iraqi oil imports, while lawmakers separately proposed sanctions against Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat and actions to punish Syria.

The Senate, by an 85-10 vote, put into a broader energy bill a provision that would prohibit Iraqi oil from being imported into the United States until Iraq agrees to U.N. inspectors, stops giving financial help to survivors of suicide bombers and halts oil smuggling to avoid U.N. sanctions. If the measure remains part of a final energy package, President Bush could resume such imports only if he deems them important to national interests.

The White House has not commented on the measure by Sen. Frank Murkowski, R-Alaska. Sen. Jeff Bingaman, D-N.M., said he had some concern the measure might put President Bush "in an awkward position" if he wants to resume Iraqi imports.

House Democratic leader Dick Gephardt also cautioned against congressional attempts to shape U.S. Middle East policy, saying that Congress should be cooperating with the Bush administration.

Bingaman noted that sanctions against Iraq would not affect U.S. imports because Iraqi oil would be replaced by other world oil market sources.

Iraqi oil accounts for 8.6 percent, or about 780,000 barrels a day, of U.S. oil imports.

"This is a matter of principle for the United States," said Murkowski. "Saddam Hussein is fostering terrorism."
Abercrombie pulls T-shirt line after protests

**Asian-American groups argue shirts represent stereotypical Asians**

Associated Press

San Francisco

Clothing Abercrombie & Fitch is pulling a line of T-shirts that sparked protests from Asian groups who said they reflect negative stereotypes.

The T-shirts, some of which show smiling men with slanted eyes and conical hats, will be pulled from all of the company's 311 stores in 50 states, company spokesman Hampton Carney said Thursday.

“We’re very, very, very sorry,” Carney said. “It’s never been our intention to offend anyone.”

But more than 100 Asian-Americans protesting outside an Abercrombie & Fitch store in San Francisco Thursday said Carney’s apology wasn’t enough.

They read a list of demands including a public apology in four major newspapers, increased philanthropy and investment in the Asian community and the hiring of consultants to ensure sensitivity on Asian issues.

“It’s unacceptable for them to smear and continue to perpetuate racist stereotypes of Asian-Americans,” said Ivy Lee, an attorney who served as rector of a church in Jefferson City-St. Louis.

“I think it is our responsibility to do everything in our power to stop this,” said Christine Chen, executive director of the Organization of Chinese Americans based in Washington, D.C., planned to email several thousand Asian-Americans asking them to check that shirts are removed from stores, and to voice their opinions to Abercrombie.

In Minneapolis, Minn., Rao Phi, 27, was asking people to boycott Abercrombie until it pledges that such designs won’t be repeated.

“The fact is, they’ve already made money out of our exploitation,” Phi said.

activists in other parts of the country urged people to call or write the company to complain.

In Jefferson City, some of the company’s T-shirts reads “Wok-N-Bowl — Buddha figure with the word ‘Buddha’ in English.”

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Man sues Church for sexual misconduct

Associated Press

ST. LOUIS

Making use of a racketeering law, a man has sued the Vatican, a former bishop and four dioceses, accusing them of hiding the transgressions of a “web of predator priests” whose sexual misconduct spans at least three decades.

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Sanis honors Main Building restrooms

By ANDREW THAGARD
Assistant News Editor

Notre Dame bathrooms flushed the competition Thursday as officials accepted the award for "America’s Best Restroom." Sanis Company representatives presented the designation at a ceremony in Main Building.

"Thousands and thousands of people voted for these restrooms as the best in the country," Sanis survey editor Dan Cawley said outside one of the award-winning lavatories.

The Internet-based survey received nominations for restrooms in casinos with talking robots, private clubs with panoramic views and upscale department stores, but in the end the simple charm of the University’s Main Building restrooms won out, according to Cawley.

Voters commented on the facilities’ imported Victorian tile floors, solid oak stall doors and sinks with classical chrome and brass fixtures. Individual stalls are partitioned with marble and each restroom has a water fountain in a foyer area. Nineteenth century reflector bowls suspended from the ceiling illuminate the bathrooms.

Voters also praised the cleanliness of the lavatories, which are serviced at least three times a day.

"These restrooms are shinier than the Golden Dome for which Notre Dame is famous," said Alan Bigger, director of building services.

Lyphout used the opportunity to praise the work of University custodians.

"The easy part is building it, the hard part is keeping it clean," he said. "We’re very proud of our building, our staff takes great pride in what they do."

"The overall message is that hygiene is important," echoed Michael Wallner, brand manager. "I think that the University of Notre Dame is doing a good job of showing this."

"America’s Best Restroom" is hosted at www.thebestofUSA.com and sponsored by Sanis Company, a service provider of work-related garments.

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King, Franklin to headline fest

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS - The Indy Jazz Fest may be shorter this year — only a weekend instead of a week — but no one can complain when a king and a queen are showing up.

Blues guitarist B.B. King and Aretha Franklin, the queen of soul, will headline the fourth annual jazz festival on June 14-16. The festival has drawn more than 200,000 people since 1999.

Arturo Sandoval, Bela Fleck & The Flecktones and David Sanborn will also be performing, organizers announced this week.

The lineup has improved this year. A shorter program left organizers with more money to spend booking talent for each night, said Tasker Day, the organization’s executive director.

"The budget that we used to book our evening shows during the week last year, we’ve used that to strengthen the festival during days leading up to the headliners this year," Day said.

Festival promoters said they also had a much larger pool of talent from which to choose.

Last year the concert was held in July because the city was the host of the World Police and Fire Games in June. Other performers at this year’s festival include Norah Jones, Bruce Hornsby and Dianne Reeves.

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The United Nations Global Compact is a new initiative intended to increase and diffuse the benefits of global economic development through voluntary corporate policies and actions. Kofi Annan, secretary-general of the United Nations, addressing the Davos World Economic Forum in January 1999, challenged business leaders to join a "global compact of shared values and principles" and give globalization a human face. Annan argued that shared values provide a stable environment for a world market and that without these explicit values business could expect backlashes from protectionism, populism, fanaticism and terrorism.

Kofi Annan's top assistant will present the UN's vision and major multinational companies will offer case studies discussing issues of the Compact.

Schedule

Sunday, April 21 (Morris Inn Dining Room)
7:45 p.m. Georg Kell, UNITED NATIONS, "The Vision of the UN Global Compact"

Monday, April 22 (CCE)
9:00 a.m. NOVARTIS
10:45 a.m. DELOITTE Touche TOHMATSU
2:00 p.m. MERCK and MOTOROLA
4:00 p.m. SHELL OIL

Tuesday, April 23 (CCE)
8:30 a.m. FREEPORT-MCMORAN and HEWLETT-PACKARD
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Senate OK's border bill

WASHINGTON
A bill that would tighten restrictions on who can get into the country, and how closely they will be monitored by immigration and security agents, finally has Senate approval and may be on the fast track to the White House.

The White House-backed legislation, which would allow officials to track foreign students more closely and check passenger lists of incoming jetliners, had been in limbo in the Senate since December.

President Bush promised to sign the bill:
"Improving our nation’s border security is vital to protecting American citizens from future terrorist attacks," Bush said after it passed the Senate on Thursday.

I commend the Senate for passing this legislation that strengthens border security and gives our law enforcement officials additional tools to secure our homeland."

Sen. Robert Byrd, D-W.Va., blocked the legislation, in part because he thought it needed more debate. After senators allowed him to delay a subcommittee hearing and make minor changes to the bill, Byrd relented and allowed the bill to move quickly through the chamber.

"I am pleased that at least some public debate has been generated on this bill and that the right of senators to offer amendments was respected," Byrd said.

The Senate approved the bill 97-0 to send it back to the House for final approval. The legislation probably will pass the House quickly and head to the president’s desk for his signature.


The border security bill would increase the pay of border patrol agents and allow the Immigration and Naturalization Service to hire 200 new investigators and another 200 inspectors.

It also would require the INS to establish a foreign student tracking system that records the acceptance of aliens by educational institutions, issuance of student visas and enrollment of aliens at schools. Several of the hijackers involved in the Sept. 11 terror attacks were in the country on student visas. The bill also would require that passports issued after 2003 be harder to tamper with and visitor documents be readable by machines using biometrics technology, such as face recognition.

Byrd, still not completely satisfied with the bill, said it’s not enough just to pass the legislation telling security officials they have to make these changes.

"It is fine to authorize funds, but this bill will require the appropriation of funds and the support of its proponents for those appropriations if provisions are to be implemented," Byrd said.

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Despite their agreement on some issues, the debate became heated at times. Ehrhard seemed to suggest that the older Baxmeyer might be out of touch with younger voters in the district. Baxmeyer in turn accused Ehrhard of having "rash exuberance," which he contrasted to his experience. Baxmeyer also questioned Ehrhard’s honesty and promotional material that featured pictures of dead animals. He described new Republican leaders, saying such pictures could lead voters to conclude that these politicians endorse Ehrhard.

"We’ve had too many politicians say one thing and do another when they’re in Indiana or Washington," Baxmeyer said, contrasting his opponent to Bill Clinton. "You gotta shoot straight, say it the way it is. Your credibility is shot to hell.

The candidates both intended to complement no tax increases with reduced government spending, especially in what Ehrhard referred to as the "education corporation."

However the two agreed that the bureaucratic purgatory of the education and corrective systems should be reduced, and not other areas that more directly affect quality. Specifically, Baxmeyer called for an end to what he called "excessive" amounts of money being paid to out of state consultants.

Both candidates were also opposed to allocating more of the state lottery revenues to the education system and away from what Baxmeyer called the "build Indiana fund."

John Sadowski, College Republicans president, moderated the hearing debate.

The panel included WNDU news anchor Terry McFadden, Jack Colvold of the South Bend Tribune and Fredric McDermott, a sophomore and Morrissey Hall resident.

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This Weekend in the Department of Music
Fri. April 19: Seanghee Lee, violin & Kimberly Schmidt, piano 7:30 pm, Annessberg Auditorium. Free admission.
Sat. April 20: Jacqueline Schmidt, graduate piano recital 2 pm, Annessberg Auditorium. Free admission.
Sat. April 20: Katie Brown, senior piano recital w/Megan Walsh, piano 3:30 pm, Annessberg Auditorium. Free admission.
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labs, located in Indianapolis, Fort Wayne, Lowell and Evansville, but the evidence for the alleged rape has not yet gone to a lab. Sieder said police delayed the submission of evidence to an Indiana crime lab because of testing delays due to a statewide backlog.

"The state lab is backed up, so it would take eight months to a year," said Capt. Harry Seider of the St. Joe Police Detective Bureau.

Seider said that the prosecutor will decide whether or not to submit the evidence to a private lab, an option reserved for the police, but not frequently used. He added that the sense of urgency to submit evidence to a private lab is a "rare occurrence" that comes from the current backlog, as well as the need to conduct "extensive testing" for DNA, said Seider.

Sheriff Richard Senn of St. Joe County told reporters last week in a press conference that the fact that the suspects involved with Notre Dame football would not frequently use.

We are pursuing this as any other case that would come in," Seider said. In addition to the county investi-

tigation, the alleged victim has also presented her case to the University’s Office of Residence Life and Housing. A closed disciplinary hearing was scheduled for Wednesday, but WSIB-TV has reported that the hearing was postponed, according to the station’s interview with the alleged victim’s mother.

According to the University handbook, du Lac, a disciplinary hearing involves all parties, along with witnesses and one peer student for each charged student, as well as for the alleged victim. The parties present their case before two or three staff members of Residence Life or the Office of Student Affairs.

A disciplinary violation could result in sanctions as severe as permanent dismissal, which du Lac defines as "permanent separation from the University with no opportunity to apply for readmission."

In the case of student athletes receiving any of the several possible sanctions, the University reserves the right to prevent them from serving as a team captain or playing the sport for a fifth year or season.

Since spring football practice began April 6, no Notre Dame football players have missed practices for any disciplinary reasons.

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FTT needs improvement

This week's Department of Film, Television and Theatre's production of "The Life of Galileo" marks a step forward, but not a complete turnaround in the department's string of lackluster mainstage productions. Though "Galileo" showed a lot of promise for the dramatic talent and production skill of FTT, the show was still marked by conceptual blemishes that are chronic in the department's mainstage productions. The problems with FTT are not material; the University has enough student talent and interest in theatre to consistently produce top-notch shows. While student groups such as the Pasquelli East Musical Company, the Saint Edward's Hall Players and the Not-So-Royal Shakespeare Company put on high quality productions on shoestring budgets, FTT produces a line of disappointing or troubled shows while having superior and priority access to performance space and production resources. In the past two years, FTT mainstage shows have often been marred by conceptual failings or in-conflicts. Considering the fact that FTT has one of the largest pools of talent to pull from in its auditions, it seems strange that its productions do not come together to make a wholly entertaining performance. Indeed, it is often difficult to put a finger on the exact problem within a show because it is a general lack of proper theatrical focus that damages FTT shows. Too often, FTT mainstage productions appear to include elements merely because it is able to produce them and not necessarily because they belong or are fitting to the production. By doing so, the mainstage productions have produced theatre, but have failed to produce as entertaining or as poignant theatre as it could. While the addition of the Marie P. DeBartolo Center for the Performing Arts will certainly be a boon for the department and their mainstage productions, FTT needs to work on presenting entertaining and innovative theatre to the campus community. Notre Dame deserves more than well-produced but bland shows.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

View rape discussion fairly

Erin Kennedy, when did rape become the only crime in this country where the accused is guilty until proven innocent? In your April 16 vocal letter of "silent support" you address the accruser with, "I have not met you, nor do I need to, in order to know that you are telling the truth." How can you make such a bold claim without knowing the facts? As Memo Tiperis wisely advises, "In respect to a rape allegation, it serves neither party to make judgments prior to receiving any information." Unless you were privileged information that the rest of the world was not, you have no basis for this claim.

Quickly drawing conclusions in a case like this can be nearly as damaging as the supposed incident itself. Undecided are the fates of four men. The results of the accusations could potentially ruin their lives. If they are guilty, you can say they deserve that to happen, but if they are innocent, that will be a horrible injustice.

With that, don't slander and pass judgment unto the accused unless they are proven to be guilty.

Todd Mobley sophomore Sorin College April 17, 2002

'Terrorism' is an overused term

Let's talk about "terrorism" because everyone likes to use that word. It is a very powerful word these days as everyone from Palestinians to drug dealers are terrorists. Now let's stop using that word because it has been overused. Instead, let's talk about Jenin and the west in the Place Bank. Let's talk about 500 dead men, women and children in Jenin killed by the Israeli army with tanks, helicopter and other arms supplied by the United States.

Let's talk about violence and stop relying on the term terrorism to condemn those we disagree with. Death is death, and violence is violence. In terms of the number of deaths, the Israeli government has won the prize. Yes, there are groups of Palestinians who use senseless acts of violence against Israel. But let's not forget that Israel has killed a far greater number of men, women and children than any person with a vest of explosives could kill.

Let's stop using the word terrorism. Our government and media are using this term to sway us and persuade us. Let's wake up and call it what it is. Violence is violence, and those who wish to condemn the Palestinians should wake up and condemn Ariel Sharon and his military actions against civilians as well.

Brendan Egan senior off-campus April 18, 2002

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"The things most people want to know about are usually none of their business."

George Bernard Shaw playwright
What are you going to do with your life?

Each year, as final exams approach, I can believe never that another year in my career as a student has passed. The end of this year seems to have assumed extra significance. Now a junior, I have become a target for the dread-ed question, "So what are you going to do with your life after you graduate?" I do what I can to avoid giving an answer. Unfortunately, a quick "no comment" never sufficiently. The first day at my newspaper internship this semester, my editor posed the same question to me. He wondered if newspapers were really in my future, "I don't usually respond," he replied. An awkward pause arose as he waited for me to expand on my answer. "Um, well I like writing about people," I offered. He pointed out that I needed to make toward finding cures for diseases for "Perfectandcoolineveryway" and design the bridges and the cars that take you to "Fabulousville.

Defending the role of TAs at Notre Dame

TAs are people, too

This letter is in response to Katie Hughes' April 17 Inside Column. As a third-year graduate teaching assistant at Notre Dame, I was stunned when I read Ms. Hughes' column. In it, she claims that there are many TAs at the University who do the bare minimum, but these TAs are far and few between. I'm sure most of my fellow TAs would agree that we don't appreciate being stereotyped any more than the "binge drinking freaks" do.

I, for one, have worked very hard as a TA, spending literally hundreds of hours of my own time meeting with students. "Well of course," I replied. After two of my good friends from the Inshrehuk program won scholarships to teach in Austria for a year, I spent a week discussing how to apply and win my own trip to Europe. I ask friends who are headed to graduate school where they applied, what they will study and why.

After all of these conversations, I still have little clue where I am headed after next year. Yet, relatives, professors, family friends and distant acquaintances continue to pop the question. To all of you, I have only one request. Please stop and don't give an answer. The sainity of every undergraduate depends upon it.

First, the question itself is absurd. I don't know anyone who has asked me what I am going to do with my life, knew at the ripe old age of 20 years and eight months, where they would be or what they would be doing 10, 20 or 30 years down the road.

Secondly, it reduces life to series of destinations. The same adults, who on another occasion might offer the wisdom that life is an undefined journey, now want a minute-by-minute plan of my next 10 years. And lastly, the prospect of life beyond college instills inordinate fear in the hearts of undergraduates. I cannot escape the feeling that my education has failed to prepare me to deal with the "real world." Many of my friends and I feel anxious about the future. Is that really too much to ask?

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By C. SPENCER BEGGS
Scene Editor

From the beginning, humanity placed itself at the center of the universe, which made it feel safe, loved and special. When the Scientific Revolution began to question the ideals of ancient astronomy and Church dogma, it fueled a fire that would burn both the Church and her detractors. The Department of Film, Television and Theatre's spring production of Bertolt Brecht's "The Life of Galileo" examines the spark that ignited the fires of change.

"The Life of Galileo" follows the life of Galileo Galilei, the 16th century astronomer who is credited with confirming Copernicus' heliocentric model of the universe. The show details progression of Galileo's incorrectly credited discovery of Jupiter's moons and the rings of Saturn. The discovery would eclipse the long-held belief in Aristotlean cosmology and the Ptolemaic geocentric understanding of the universe.

The title of the show may be slightly misleading. Brecht's play is not, in fact, a biography of Galileo at all, but an anachronistic look at the conflicts between dogma and the scientific method using the story of Galileo as a starting point. A number of blatant and subtly argued letters, Brecht places the astronomer face to face with adversarial cardinals and monks. Brecht also includes Virginia, Galileo's daughter, in the whole of Galileo's life, when, in fact, she entered a monastery at the age of 13 and only corresponded with her father through writing. Furthermore, Virginia is written as a weak character, whereas the real Virginia was strong and witty.

Brecht's writing is somewhat inaccesible without a clear understanding of what he was trying to comment on. For example, "The Life of Galileo" is an affront to more than just the Church. Brecht was also commenting on the trends toward Nazism and Fascism in the 20th century. Ironically, Brecht was called before the House Un-American Activities Committee (HUAC) in 1947 to answer charges that his plays were Marxist propaganda—which, to an extent, they were. The famous recording of Brecht's evasive answers to the questions of McCarthy and HUAC are played during intermission of the FTE show.

Brecht used a technique he called "Verfremdungseffekt" to remind the audience that they were watching a play. This "alienation effect," as it is called in English, was a rejection of the Aristotelian dramatic promise that the audience should believe that the events they are watching are unfolding in time before their eyes. In keeping with Marxian, Brecht wanted his plays to appeal to his audience's reason rather than having the audience identify with the character. He accomplished this by using overly philosophic, anachronistically straight-faced performances and settings that didn't appeal aesthetically.

Assistant Visiting Professor and director Holger Teischke attempts to incorporate many of these ideas into the show. The show is intelligently put together and Teischke has his actors break many habits and conventions they have learned. "I've definitely learned to be more open-minded to different styles in taking direction and acting," Kertez said.

Tony Lawton is phenomenal as Galileo. His dynamism charges the rest of the cast, and he is able to make sometimes dry scientific explanations interesting to watch. Lawton portrays the astronomer with so much vigor that it almost appears as if he's about to spontaneously combust at any moment. Lawton, a visiting assistant professor who has acted professionally, certainly brings the cast up to his level, especially sophomore Katy Kertez, with whom he has a notable chemistry. "It was an amazing gift to work with him. He gave me so much," Kertez said.

Kertez, who has played predominantly masculine and male parts at Notre Dame, stands out with her extremely moving portrayal of Virginia as a strong feminine foil for Galileo. Kertez does a lot with her part and convincingly conveys her character mostly through subtle body positions, facial expressions and her captivating vocal quality.

Aesthetically, the show is a knockout. The Irish costumes and set, both designed by FFV Professional Specialists Richard Donnelly and Anne McAllister, were everywhere.

Lawton as Galileo (center) is given a tacit threat by Cardinal Bellarmin (played by freshman TJ McNally, left) and Cardinal Barberini (played by senior Luis Matos, right), the future Pope Urban VIII.
As we continue

More than 35 years and thousands of issues after it began, The Observer of today has strayed little from its founding editors’ premise: to seek out the truth and present it accurately to our readers.

As it was in 1966, that’s our goal now — and it will remain our goal as we advance further into the 21st Century. No doubt, the times and circumstances under which we publish change, but the ambition, sensitivity and adherence to high journalistic standards remain in tact.

Of course, the paper’s readership and leadership has changed since it was founded in the mid-1930s, The Observer primarily served the University’s all-male student body. A staff of about 250 writers, editors, photographers, designers and business personnel come together to produce an average 24- to 28-page daily paper. The urge and inspiration that were part of the original 12-page weekly Observer have not been lost with time.

Accurate, objective coverage of campus news and sports will continue to be the backbone of the publication. The Viewpoint section will serve as a forum for well-written, thought-provoking columns and essays to the editor — as well as week­ly staff editorials — that highlight the opinions and attitudes of our readers and the paper itself. And in Scene, campus arts and entertainment take center stage in creative features and enterprising stories about campus culture.

In 2002 and beyond, The Observer will keep alive the sound principles and independent voice that the paper was founded upon in 1966. And we’ll remain an indispensable resource at Notre Dame and Saint Mary’s as we continue...
In the age of the Information Superhighway, the country would be exposed to new cultures that had been silenced before. The '90s marked a new progression of the Civil Rights movement: multiculturalism and sexual orientation. Gay and lesbian rights organizations vocally broke into a culture that had uncomfortably looked the other way and in which they believed attitudes and experiences slowly began to be discussed in public forums across the country.

In 1984, a campus gay rights organization, Gays and Lesbians at Notre Dame and Saint Mary's College (GLNDSMC), formed. In 1992, the University forbade the group from meeting on campus after it advertised the group's location and meeting time.

The campus response was quick. A number of Notre Dame students protested following the announcement. Although the group's cause was met with fairly wide support, the repeated refusal and in-depth officials to recognize or allow the group to have a presence on campus led to a publicized struggle between student advocacy and the administration. The Observer documented the story in its news coverage, but few had guessed that the paper itself would be brought into the struggle.

On April 4, 1996, Father David Garrick published a letter in the Viewpoint section of The Observer in which he presented a Catholic perspective on homosexuality and called for an openly gay, celibate priest. Garrick published another letter in The Observer on March 17, 1998, this time to announce his resignation from the University because of his suspension from pastoral duties in the Basilica that he believed was a reaction against his open perspective on homosexuality and came out as an openly gay, celibate priest. Garrick published another letter in The Observer while working at the Beacon News in Aurora, Illinois.

The Observer's independent publication and the staff would spend an enormous amount of energy carefully setting editorial policy and keeping the staff united.

"I think there's one scene that sticks out in my mind," Krupa said. "We had a full staff meeting in the fall of '99. We invited every reporter, every copy editor and ad manager, everyone who was on the payroll. We said, 'Do you want us to quit?' And a guy, a junior, a transfer student, stood up and said, 'If we quit this fight and give up, why would I want to work here?'"

In the end, The Observer retained its independence, the administration refused to include sexual orientation in its 'Spirit of Inclusion' and members of the now defunct GLNDSMC formed a new group, OutreachND, which still remains unrecognized.

The addition of an online edition has allowed quick and easy access to Observer stories beyond the confines of the Notre Dame and Saint Mary's campuses.

The Observer's staff report can be found at observer.nd.edu.

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**Sports**

Dohrman strives for in-depth coverage

**By ANDREW SOURK**

Dohrman, who served as Sports Editor from 1993-1995, added a four-page special section to The Observer that winter. He expanded coverage of Notre Dame's athletic teams and added a Sports section to the newspaper's Web site.

"I didn't go to class — and my parents were probably like, 'Stay off probation,'" he told The Observer after winning the Pulitzer Prize for his investigative reporting of academic fraud within the University of Minnesota's basketball team. His first reported on the case in May 1999 after three months of interviews and research.

"There were times you just felt like pulling your hair out, because you knew what was there, but you just couldn't get to the bottom of it," he said.

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**The INDEPENDENT NEWSPAPER SERVING NOTRE DAME AND SAINT MARY'S**

Finding 'Pride at Notre Dame'

**By C. SPENCER BEGGS**

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March 19, 1998

7 Inauguration begins Eldred Era
Marilou Eldred was officially inaugurated as the first lay woman president of Saint Mary's College. Eldred succeeded Dr. William Hickey at the College's top post.
Oct. 7, 1997

8 Holtz resigns
Lou Holtz announced he thought it was the "right thing for him to do" to resign from his post as head football coach. Holtz left with the 1988 national championship and won more games than both Frank Leahy and Ara Parseghian.
Nov. 20, 1996

12 Swim team bus crashes
A bus carrying the women's swim team overturned on the Indiana toll road after losing control on a patch of snow. Two freshman students, Margaret "Meghan" Beeler and Colleen Hipp, were killed in the accident, and several others were injured.
Jan. 24, 1992

13 Flying High
The women's basketball team ended a dream season with a 68-66 win over Purdue for the national championship. Senior Ruth Riley hit two key free throws to preserve the win. The team returned to thousands of cheering students at Main Circle for a welcoming ceremony early the next morning.
April 2, 2001

18 Students elect female prez
In Spring 2001 Brooke Norton accepted a position no female before her had held — student body president. Norton and her vice president Brian Moscona won 56 percent of the vote. Norton is also the first incumbent vice president to win the role of president since 1973.
Feb. 15, 2001

19 Faust resigns
Gerry Faust's dream ended as he resigned as head coach of the Notre Dame football team. Faust reached the Irish for five seasons. His career record was 30-25-1.
Nov. 27, 1985

20 Police break up porn conf.
South Bend Police broke up a pornography conference at Notre Dame. The police arrested 35 students and seized the films. Students responded by punching police officers. The conference was intended to explore issues of censorship and pornography.
Feb. 8, 1969
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Merger hopes killed

Notre Dame and Saint Mary's officially called off a year-long plan to merge the two schools. The decision, made by both institutions' Board of Trustees, maintained Saint Mary's status as an independent institution, and set the stage for Notre Dame to accept women in the fall of 1972.

Nov. 30, 1971

Terror hits home

Terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center and Pentagon brought the nation to a halt on Sept. 11, 2001.

The following day's Observer featured wire stories about the day's events, stories about prayer services on campus and community reaction to the tragedy.

Sept. 12, 2001

Hesburgh suspends ND Ten

Student protestors who refused to disperse from the Main Building after a 15 minute warning were disciplined by the University. Ten students were suspended. The students were protesting Dow Chemical, manufacturer of napalm.

Feb. 27, 1969

Blizzard stops campus

A storm that ripped through South Bend Wednesday, Jan. 25, 1978 kept The Observer from publishing and canceled classes at Notre Dame and Saint Mary's for three days. The storm, which dropped 20 inches of snow, also closed local airports and streets.

Jan. 30, 1978

ND wins '88 national champ

Students returned to campus after winter break still celebrating Notre Dame's national championship win over West Virginia, 31-28 in Tempe, Az. The team was greeted at the White House by President Ronald Reagan before returning to campus.

Jan. 19, 1989

The party is over

Father William Beauchamp announced the University would change its alcohol policy to ban all dorm room parties. The policy was later rescinded after student protest.

April 17, 1984

ND preps for State game

Notre Dame tied Michigan State 10-10 en route to a national championship in 1966. The issue before the face-off of the two No. 1 teams featured a half-page road map for students traveling to the game, as well as game previews and team analysis.

Nov. 17, 1966

ND says 'no' to Big Ten

Fearing a loss of a unique identity as a University, Notre Dame's Board of Trustees voted in London not to join the Big Ten Conference. At the same meeting, the Board also voted not to include sexual orientation in the University's legal non-discrimination clause.

Feb. 8, 1999

Davie Fired

Bob Davie was fired the day after he concluded his fifth season with Notre Dame football with the third worst winning percentage in Irish history. His successor, George O'Leary, resigned after only four days on the job after admitting he had falsified statements on his resume.

Dec. 3, 2001
Almost merger defines early 1970s at ND-SMC

By Sarah Nestor
News Writer

The Observer is not always perfect. On Nov. 30, 1971, the day Notre Dame and Saint Mary’s swapped plans for a merger, The Observer published a single co-ed institution, The Observer. The first issue of The Observer was 1971-1972 school year, and the complete issue of The Observer was 1966-1970, with the merger completed in 1970.

DeSapio weathers 2 leadership crises

By Chris Federico
Sports Editor

The Observer almost didn’t make it to its third birthday. In the fall of 1969, Editor in Chief Tim O’Melia and several staff members quit after publishing just one issue. News Editor Guy DeSapio and executive editor Don Holloway were left to pick up the pieces.

“The time we get to 69-70, we were trying to run a daily paper, but we were trying to do it with a very marginal staff and without any University support,” said DeSapio, who was promoted to editor in chief. “In that year, I was a junior, and we had put out just two editions before the editor-in-chief and some of his friends said, ‘this is crazy. We can’t do it all and still go to school and get the education we’d supposed to.’”

In retrospect, he was probably right.

This ordeal left the already-small staff even further short-handed and with the odds of continuing the only year-old paper.

“We didn’t know how we would stay in existence,” said DeSapio. “But we pushed on, and we got enough people together to sustain it. The next spring, we had a similar crisis, but we again gathered enough people to carry it over to the next school year.”

In his senior year, DeSapio moved on to another role, and in that same year, he started the paper, and what he had hoped to accomplish with the project.

“The inspirational words of the founding editor were enough to convince those remaining staffers to give the paper one last run.”

“After that meeting, a junior, Glen Cuzzo, stepped up and said he’d take over as EC that year,” DeSapio said. “And I guess it’s been running smoothly ever since.”

Blizzard covers campus, halts Observer

By Helen Payne
News Editor

Most South Bend residents and Notre Dame students can attest to the fact that fluctuations in local temperatures are no anomaly. Yet, in 1978, one snowy day turned into a blizzard that caused the Daily and the Associated Press wire — and presented a challenge before the Jan. 25, 1977 night staff of The Observer.

Former night editor Sandra Colson, Saint Mary’s College editor, and her fellow staff members had to drive the paper to the publisher when all the main roads were closed.

“We never considered not doing it,” said Colson. “We would get harassed by the other staff for not publishing.”

During the late 1970s, The Observer office was located on the third floor of LaFortune. Colson, a Saint Mary’s student, would drive to Notre Dame around 9 p.m. and park in a reserved spot near LaFortune each night that the paper had to do layout for the paper. However, the night of the blizzard, Colson said she graduatedly became aware of the obstacle that the snowstorm posed.

“At about midnight, the snow was blowing horizontally,” said Colson. Shortly before the winds picked up, Colson said the paper was delivered to the publisher, Notre Dame closed down Friday, January 27, when the storm blanketed the city. The papers for Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of that week were also delayed. But the first page of the inside paper’s history that it failed to print an edition on a scheduled normal day. Classes did not resume until the following Tuesday.

With classes suspended, the Observer contained several photos of students playing in the snow and of the snowstorm. Colson said many students also frequented the formally popular Library, which was located within walking distance of the west side of campus.

“There was just this procession of people with sleds and things walking down to the Library getting covers of some sort,” Colson said.

Although the storm of 1977 was a complication for the staff workers, Colson said she did not want to be known as part of the staff that could not put out the paper because of a storm.

“We were an AP paper, so we kind of had the responsibility,” said Colson.
Students protest for parietals

By HELENA PAYNE

Protests and young adult angst flourished in the 1960s through the civil rights movement and the Vietnam War, but in addition to coming in terms with the larger issues, Notre Dame students in 1968 were waging their own battle: extending parietal hours. Parietal hours in the 1960s signified the times when female students from other colleges, commonly called “co-eds,” would be allowed to visit Notre Dame men. These visiting hours were only available for a short time during football weekends and other “special” weekends.

Students of the late 1960s were pushing to allow for parietals for every weekend. Led by student government, undergraduates went head-to-head with the administration, under the presidency of Father Theodore Hesburgh, currently president emeritus, about their desire for extended parietal hours.

“I was a time in which people wanted more control over their own lives,” said Richard Rossie, student body president for the 1967-1968 academic year. Along with student body vice president, Chuck Nau, Rossie presided over and spoke at several student government meetings about what he thought were the ills of the 1968 parietal rules almost immediately after they came into effect. Rossie was the successor of Chris Murphy, who promoted the extension of parietals and spoke out on behalf of four students who were suspended in March 1968 after they violated parietal rules. Hesburgh later reinstated the students shortly after, according to The Observer.

“The ultimate concept was that there shouldn’t be a role on parietals, that people should make their own decisions 24 hours a day,” said Rossie.

As far as female visitors were concerned, 1968 graduate Gary Rimlinger recalled that the parietal policy left little room for comfort.

“When your mother came to visit, you met her down in the lobby,” Rimlinger said.

Rimlinger, a former resident of Farley Hall, said Rossie and Nau, who also lived in Farley Hall when Rimlinger did, were actively involved in representing the student voice before the University’s administration.

“They were somewhat vocal all through their school years,” Rimlinger said.

However, the activism of Rossie, Nau and other student leaders was put to the test purely by the domest­ic issues in the U.S., as well as the “conservative student body,” according to Rimlinger.

“We were still in the very stereotypical Catholic school mentality,” Rimlinger said, adding that stu­dents were “much less active.”

Rossie said the University’s right to act as a parent in student matters, the concept of in loco parentis, was Alive on the Notre Dame campus of the late 1960s, but students were challenging it.

In loco parentis was a concept that was not acceptable anymore,” Rossie said.

The former student leader said students were ready to compromise on the parietal issue as long as the University would recognize students’ abilities to be socially responsible. He advocated a pari­tals solution that was somewhere in the middle of the two extremes of “monastic life” and having an apartment in Mishawaka.

Extending parietal hours was once again an issue on April 30, 2001, when 300 male and female students slept on South Quad in defiance of parietals, which now operate seven days a week.

“The students succeeded in getting the administration to budge slightly, changing the earlier hour that the opposite sex could be in dorm rooms from 10 p.m. to 9 a.m. Currently, parietal hours are between 9 a.m. and midnight Sunday through Thursday and 9 a.m. to 2 a.m. on Fridays and Saturdays,” said Rossie.

“I remember reading [The observer’s article on the 2001 pari­tals protest] and thinking, ‘What are you protesting about? You never had it so good.’” said Rimlinger.

Resounding Rimlinger’s senti­ments, Rossie said the parietals issue was relative to the times in which students are attending the University. He said the school should engage in informative and honest dialogue about the accepted behavior at a Catholic university and what types of policies are nec­essary to facilitate those behaviors.

“I would not want my child in a situation where there was no pari­etal rule, but at the same time, I would find it ridiculous if the Notre Dame said parietals only one week of the month,” Rossie said.

Observer founded to bring new voice to ND

By MIKE CONNOLLY

On Nov. 3, 1966, the first issue of The Observer landed on Notre Dame’s campus.

Pushing a “liberal policy” dedicated to “an all-encompassing search for the truth, both in fact and opinion,” The Observer ushered in a new age of jour­nalism at Notre Dame.

Stevens Fieldhaus, the editor in chief of The Voice, a University funded stu­dent paper founded in 1964, decided to kill the poorly funded and poorly edit­ed paper in 1966. Teaming with fellow seniors Robert Sam Anson, a sometimes Scholastic contributor, Fieldhaus sought to create a new paper — one that would challenge the student body with hard hitting news and radical opinions.

From the ashes of The Voice rose The Observer — an independent stu­dent newspaper. Fieldhaus and Anson became the first two editors in chief.

“We were against the war because it was immoral, against the Administration because it was so corrupt, and against Mishawaka because it was there,” 1966 news editor Pat Collins wrote in 1968 for The Observer’s 20th anniversary.

Collins became the second editor in chief in 1969.

The Observer included women in the staff box as early as the first issue but it was not the only paper at Saint Mary’s. A Voice Parietals Office and Saint Mary’s student workers for The Observer which covered news from both schools, there was another paper at Saint Mary’s: the Cruc. The Cruc focused on the Observer in 1968.

The first year at The Observer was filled with controversy, breaking news and experimentation.

A regular feature of earlyObserver coverage was “Parieties of the Week.” The feature ran once again an issue on April 9, 1966 where 300 male and female students slept on South Quad in defiance of parietals, which now operate seven days a week.

The defining trait of The Observer in its first year involved breaking the name of the “Patriot of the Year” before the university administration.

General William Westmoreland, the head of U.S. forces in Vietnam, was the University’s 1967-68 Patriot of the Year. The senior class gives the award to a person who displays great honor and integrity.

Accompanying the announcement of the award — a portrait of Westmoreland, The Observer printed an editorial slamming the entire concept of the award.

University President Father Theodore Hesburgh was not amused. According to an Observer editorial on the Feb. 9, 1967 edition, Hesburgh called the decision to print the story “the most irresponsible act in the histo­ry of Notre Dame.”

Fieldhaus and Anson were the only student editors on the paper. Anson said the Observer was founded to be in keeping with the liberal tradition at Notre Dame.

Anson gave Observer its liberal vision

By V. VAN BUREN GILES

Though he had considerable help, one of the major contributions to the vision of The Observer was Robert Sam Anson.

Anson, a Cleveland, Ohio native decided it was time to scrap the old Notre Dame student newspaper, The Voice, and replace it with The Observer.

The defining trait of The Observer as compared to the old Voice was the new paper actually had one. Anson wanted to give The Observer a magazine approach while being original and different. Students needed a definite attitude to the publication as an alternative paper. Only an independent administration that Anson and his staff would tackle the most political and controversial subject matter of the 1960s. Anson wanted The Observer to be in keeping with the spirit of “New Journalism” as epitomized by journalists like Jimmy Breslin, Tom Wolfe and Cap Golden.

W. Hudson Giles, ’67, the paper’s first executive sports editor, remem­bers when Anson approached him about writing for The Observer.

“I was eating in South Dining Hall when this guy with wild strawberry blonde hair sat down across from me. I knew he was an excellent student and he seemed very serious about giving the student body a real news­paper,” Giles said.

Late nights have always been the norm at The Observer, even in 1966. The staff worked and played hard.

Anson wrote a grant which allowed them to hire hired female editors which allowed them to hire in fierce opposition to the Vietnam War. He once compared Lyndon Johnson to Adolf Hitler and called the for­mer U.S. President “a moral slum.”

Anson was on his way to direct work for Time magazine when the University took the extraordinary step of sending him to Cambodia during the War where he was captured by the North Vietnamese. Anson was held as a pris­oner. He was released and later wrote a book about his choice for the “War News,” which was dedicated to the men responsible for bringing him home.

“He was a wonderful and positive force for journalism at Notre Dame,” said Giles.
A dedicated staff works around the clock to produce The Observer daily. Clockwise, from top left, the paper is prepared at the press in Milford, Indiana. After hitting the presses, it arrives on campus and is delivered by faithful driver Jack Radican. Office Manager Shirley Grauel keeps the office on pace during the day, and at night, Editor in Chief Jason McFarley begins to edit to make sure it all happens again the next day.

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impressive. This is especially evident in the Italian Carnival scene in which the cast trades their period character garb for Kafkaesque costumes. The surreal costumes also function to elaborate on the underlying conflict in the play. The richness of the costumes is enhanced with vivid, saturated colors, which create a stunning contrast.

"Because there are all these projects on Brecht, we tried to focus on the Italian aspect and make it cheerful and light-hearted," Teschke said.

"The Life of Galileo" is part of the Galileo Conference that is happening on campus this week. After every performance there is a talk-back session at which the cast and a speaker will answer questions from the audience. Teschke feels that the Catholic atmosphere at Notre Dame made the play worth producing.

"To be honest, I would not have been interesting to do it at a place that didn't have the Catholic background to do it... I was very surprised how open and interested everybody was," Teschke said.

Teschke's vision for the show unabashedly embraces the anachronisms in the show, the director added and subverts Brecht's attempt to manipulate the message.

While the production of "The Life of Galileo" embraces the anachronistic nature of its script, it goes much too far. To begin with, the show is given a framing prologue and epilogue. The story is told from the reverish dream of the historical Virginia in her convent. While this goes to reinforce the idea that Virginia is not a weak character it gives the play a rocky beginning and ending. It is obvious where Brecht begins and FTT ends. The framing of the play spoils part of Brecht's message; it is irrelevant if FTT agrees with the portrayal of Virginia as weak, or not.

And while Lawton shines as Galileo, it is a bit disappointing not to see a student in the lead role. Lawton is a wonderful choice for the cast, and he assumes a leadership role. Though this may be a wonderful opportunity to learn from an experienced actor for the cast, to the audience it appears to be a crutch.

The production has a number of other dubious choices. The idea of pop music such as R.E.M.'s 'It's the End of the World as We Know It,' during scene changes is laughable. The show has a gorgeous production value and a somber dramatic tone and yet as the scene changes the audience's ears are violated with bubble gum pop music. This idea even fails as "Verfremdungs-Technik" the FTT show is too highly produced to even consider rejecting the idea of portraying gravity on stage.

"The Life of Galileo" is currently running at Washington Hall. Performances are tonight through Saturday at 7:30 p.m. and on Sunday at 2:30 p.m. General admission is $10. $9 for senior citizens and $7 for students. Tickets are available at the door or in advance at the LaFortune Student Center Box Office. To order tickets call (574) 631-8128.

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Clark

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athletic. His speed, his hand-eye coordi-
nation and his ability to understand the posi-
tion have been enhanced by being a quarterback. I
think it was a good start for him today. Is there still a lot for him to learn?

Without question. Even as Clark leaves the battle for the starting quarterback position he moves into another fight for playing time at tight end. While the new offense allows for as many as three tight ends on the field at any given time, "right now we are a little short," Hibel said.

I think I have more fun at tight end. I just run out and hit people and catch balls. I think maybe I think about things too much (as quarterback) and now I can just play football.

Apparently, Clark isn't the only player in the process of making a position change.

After practice, Willingham said other players would be making position changes, but he refused to reveal who those players are.

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Linebacker Tyree Harrison has dramatically improved his stock in pro-
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Two ‘Shocker’ bombers enjoy 2nd-round wins

By ANDY TROEGER
Sports Writer

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Old Boys

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club team here. We made a con­
tinued effort into bringing rugby back to this campus," said Bishop. "We started building alumni support by writing letters and e-mail to former players. We sent a petition around campus and got 1,400 student signa­
tures. The next fall, we drafted an 11-page constitution and pre­
presented a proposal to Student Affairs and Student Activities." 

Slowly but surely, the trio's hard work began to pay off. Although the team was not rec­
ognized by Student Activities as an officially sponsored team sport at Notre Dame, Student Affairs did choose to recognize rugby as a club sport.

The ruling essentially meant that the trio was allowed to form a team that could practice on campus, but could not play offi­
cial games on campus. Furthermore, the team was not allowed to have any official affili­
ation with the University. Thus, in the fall of 2000, the trio formed the South Bend Old Boys Rugby Club.

"We got a lot of our friends to sign up at first," said McGinty. "We started having practice twice a week. Then it just caught on by word of mouth. By the end of the first year, we had 14 members. Anyone can just come to practice and give it a shot. Last year was kind of rough. Dave, John and I had to be the coaches and teach everyone the game. We had to just scrimmage a bunch of local rugby clubs and Penn High School for most of our games. We only had three games against other universities." 

One year later, the club is alive and well. The size of the team has now more than doubled to 30 members. Just as important, the national governing body of rugby in the United States (USA Rugby) recognized the Old Boys an official rugby organization.

Rugby: A Culture Unto Its Own

Imagine a full-contact sport with no pads, no stoppages of play, and no substitutions. Sounds tough, huh? Just ask the Old Boys. For the 30 members of the squad, rugby is more than just a game. It is a way of life.

"Rugby is a worldwide broth­
erhood," said Bishop. "I started playing rugby in high school in Canada. My parents now live in Australia where rugby is just huge. I could go in any city and wear my rugby shirt and be accepted. Last summer, a rugby club in Australia let me compete with them.

"There's no other sport like it," said junior Billy Hutchins. "You beat the hell out of each other for 80 minutes. Then after the game, you take the other team out to a party. There is no ani­
mosity out there. After the game, we're all friends."

Rugby originated in England in 1823. It is a popular sport in Europe, South America, New Zealand and Australia. Only in recent years has rugby caught on in the United States. It is now the fastest growing club sport in America.

Rugby is often compared to American football because of the scoring opportunities, but McGinty does not believe that is an entirely accurate comparison.

"The way you score is very similar to soccer," said McGinty. "But the style of play is much different. Rugby is a cross between hockey and soccer. It's like hockey, except without the skates, because there are no stoppages of play and you are supposed to constantly hit each other. It's like soccer because it is a rough game with no pads with them.

"Rugby is not a sport for the faint of heart. It is a very physi­
cally intense, brutal game. "It's the toughest game I've ever played," said sophomore John Terro. "It's hard but it's worth the effort.""

"The guys out there are crazy," said fellow sophomore Trey 'Dusty' Studer. "I thought I'd fit right in so I gave it a shot. The sport is the most intense sport out there. The brotherhood is unmatched in any other type of organization."

"Everyone gets hurt and injured at one point or another," said sophomore Stefan Borrow. "Everyone is sore after the game. My shoulder still hurts from last Saturday's game. There was a fight that formed between teammate­s, and some guys were playing through the pain."

"There are 2000 pounds of pressure on your shoulders and necks during the scrums," said McGinty. "There's a special bond between us, where we respect each other out there."

A Happy Ending

After only playing three games last season, team members worked hard to make sure that the team would have a chance to summer to contact other schools' athletic programs to schedule games. By the end of this school year, the team will have compet­
ed in a total of 12 games.

Despite not having a coach, and securing no funding, the Old Boys have an unbelievable record of 6-3. Even more impressive, this success is coming with some of the best pro­
gress in the land. This year's squad has developed from large enrollments and huge ath­
letic departments such as Michi­
gan and Tennessee.

I think a lot of teams take us lightly because we don't have any of the Notre Dame practice gear or uniforms," said McGinty. "They know we are Notre Dame, but we look like the Bad News Bears out there. We just recently saved up enough money to buy our own jerseys. We play totally out of love for the sport. Maybe because we are a self­
made team, we push each other harder than the other teams.

This weekend, the team will play its final two home games of the season, against Central Michigan and Michigan State. Game times are set for Friday at 6 p.m. and Saturday at 2 p.m.

For Bishop, who is set to grad­
uate this May, these final three games of his rugby career at Notre Dame will be bittersweet.

"This is for me what I'm leav­
ing this University," said Bishop. "Everyone has something to offer, and this is what I have to offer. Along with the other guys on the team, rugby will be our legacy at Notre Dame."

Although the team is not offi­
cially sanctioned, both McGinty and Bishop are hopeful that sometime in the future, Irish rugby will again be an NCAA sport. If not, both players are proud that their pursuit proves that there is an opportunity for other students to play rugby at Notre Dame.

"We take this opportunity to spread the word that we are here," said Bishop. "We're the Fighting Irish. If any­
one should have a rugby team it's Notre Dame. I know this club will continue to just improve. There are only two juniors and one senior on the team. The rest of the team is all freshmen and sophomores."

"I realize it won't happen dur­ing my time here," said Bishop. "It'd be nice to play our games at Stepan and wear 'IRISH' across our chests. It's my hope that someday my kids could come here and play rugby for Notre Dame."
N D T E N N I S

Men's team begins tournament with bye

By JOE LINDSLEY
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame men's tennis team, heading to Miami this weekend for the Big East Championship, will have an easy ride to the title match of the tournament.

That final match, though, could be a "collision of strengths," according to Irish head coach Bobby Bayliss.

The Irish, with a 19-6 record, are seeded first in the six-team competition. The 10th-ranked Irish dropped three places in the national standings after their upset loss to Kentucky last Saturday, but the team is still confident about its chances in Miami.

"Our goal is to win (the tournament)," Bayliss said.

Freshman Brent D'Amico said, "We're going to take every match seriously, but I don't think we're worried."

The team, which has a bye for Friday's first round, is confident of being able to survive the second round, in which Notre Dame will face the winner of the Boston College-Rutgers match.

The challenge will come in the top match, where Irish will take on either the defending champ Miami Hurricanes or the Virginia Tech Hokies.

The Hokies, ranked 35th, have achieved recent triumphs over No. 13 Virginia Commonwealth and No. 30 Tulane.

The Irish will play at 9 a.m. on Saturday, and the Hokies play at noon, so Bayliss and his team will be in the stands scouting them out.

"We'll be there, lunch in our hands, and taking notes, so we'll know what we have to do the next day," Bayliss said.

The Hurricanes are currently ranked 43rd, but they have been as high as No. 18.

According to Bayliss, the team has vastly improved recently and are fresh off a win over No. 25 Georgia Tech.

"They seem to be getting some momentum," Bayliss said.

The Irish have been making lineup changes for doubles play, but unlike Miami, Notre Dame has yet to find a complete lineup that works for them.

The only guarantee with doubles play recently has been the duo of seniors Javier Taborga and Casey Smith, ranked fifth nationally. The other combinations have not worked well for the Irish.

Bayliss expects to pair seniors Ashok Raju and Aaron Taleron, Taborga's doubles partner last year, as the team's No. 2 doubles pair. The No. 3 pair is yet to be decided.

If the Irish play Miami, 14th-ranked Taborga could be challenged by the Hurricanes' No. 1 player, freshman Todd Widom, who is ranked 22nd nationally.

Widom challenged Taborga at an indoor match at Notre Dame earlier this season, but Notre Dame's No. 1 player couldn't upset Miami's star player.

Bayliss believes their matchup in Miami will be tougher for Taborga.

"I think that match will be a little harder to win outdoors for Javier," Bayliss said. "I think the rest of the lineup, if we play Miami, we look pretty solid in the middle of the lineup, but down low, they're pretty good and we're pretty good, so there's a collision of strengths," he said.

The Irish, while confident, are expecting and hoping to be challenged, in order to better prepare themselves for the NCAA tournament.

"It's always a challenge to go down there," Bayliss said. "Their fans come to support their team and yell and scream, and it's 95 degrees and windy and hot and muggy, and it will be difficult, but we need that kind of challenge right now. We need to achieve something that we've worked on, and this is certainly a worthwhile goal to propel us into the post-season."

D'Amico said, "Our expectations are to win the tournament. We'd like to go out and take care of business."

Despite all of the challenges, the Irish are expecting to enjoy the experience.

"I'm excited. It'll be a lot of fun; we get to go to Miami," D'Amico said.

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Women return as top seed

Special to The Observer

The 20th-ranked Notre Dame women's tennis team will set out in search of its fifth Big East Conference title in the last seven years when it takes part in the 2002 Big East Championship this weekend at the Neil Schiff Tennis Complex on the University of Miami campus in Coral Gables, Fla. The Irish are the defending champions this season, having defeated Miami, 4-1, in last year's title match. UM is hosting the Big East Championship for the ninth year in a row.

For the seventh consecutive season, Notre Dame is the top seed in the tournament and has been rewarded with a bye through the quarterfinal round. The Irish will face either No. 4 seed Boston College or fifth-seeded Syracuse Saturday in the semifinal round. The championship and third-place match-ups are scheduled for Sunday.

For the second year, the format of the tournament will be a single-elimination tournament of the top six teams in the league, as selected by the conference, with the top two seeds gaining first-round byes.

The winner receives the Big East's automatic berth into the NCAA Championships, which begin at campus sites on May 11. The Irish have earned the No. 1 seed in each of their seven years in the conference, advancing to the final in each of the past six years to face Miami, winning titles in 1996, 1997, 1999 and 2001.

Five Notre Dame players have past experience playing in the Big East Championship. Most notably, Becky Varnum is 5-1 in singles and 4-1 in doubles, earning the title- clinching victory a year ago.

Senior Nina Vaughan also has done well in conference tournament play, going 5-1 in singles and 1-0 in doubles, while senior Lindsey Green is 3-2 in singles and 4-1 in doubles. Both Vaughan and Green were instrumental in last year's championship, teaming up for an 8-6 win at No. 3 doubles, which clinched the opening point for the Irish.

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season ended today, Ratay’s single campaign stroke average of 72.81 would be the lowest average in school history.
The senior will be looking to defend the share of the individual crown he captured last spring, but for him team goals are far more important than any individual success he might enjoy.

"I like our chances," Ratay said. "We’ve been playing better lately, and in a relatively small field, it’s easy to have one bad day, so I think on a given day you can beat anybody."

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"It’s a thinking man’s course," Jasinski said. "The approaches are demanding, and experience is everything. We really think it plays to our advantage."

Whether a good bit of local knowledge is enough to offset a sizable gap in talent between the third-seeded Irish and the unquestioned frontrunners remains to be seen, but Jasinski maintains his optimism.
His troops know exactly how much is at stake.

"You don’t even need to mention the NCAA berth," he said. "Everyone knows it’s there. It’s a huge motivating factor in the back of everybody’s mind."

The Irish may want to be armed with that motivation - and a slingshot - this weekend.

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Irish to face Pirates in crucial weekend series

By CHRIS FEDERICO
Sports Editor

The Notre Dame baseball team travels to South Orange, N.J. this weekend for a key three-game series with Big East rival Seton Hall.

The Irish and the Pirates are locked in the midst of a five-team tie for second place in the conference. The five teams each hold an 8-6 conference record, two games behind Big East leader Boston College.

"I really think it's going to come down this week to who wants it more. They are a really tough team, and they always play us tough," Irish center fielder Steve Stanley said.

"We've been playing very well recently," Stanley said. "It's going to lift the whole team. We've gotten so much better. From one through nine in the lineup. I think that helps out so much, because we can give our pitchers some confidence when we score runs."

During the three mid-week games, many Irish pitchers saw playing time. After allowing nine runs in the game against Central Michigan, the staff llocked down to allow only five runs combined against Ball State and Central Michigan. The team ERA is currently at 3.47, just slightly higher than last season's 3.22 ERA, which ranked fifth nationally.

Seton Hall is led at the plate by senior infielder Todd Crawford, batting .367 on the year with eight home runs. The Pirates are batting .278 as a team, compared to their opponents' .274. The Irish dominated the Pirates in their three-game series last season, winning the games by a combined 23 runs.

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Notes:
• Freshman pitcher Chris Niese is out of the lineup indefinitely due to mononucleosis. He last pitched April 7.

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Men's and Women's Track and Field

Irish men and women head to Indy, Mt. SAC invites

**Men hope to repeat first place performances in sprinting events**

By NOAH AMSTADTER
Senior Staff Writer

Last weekend, at the Tom Bosio Invitational in Columbia, Miss. the Irish men's sprint group had a coming out party, claiming first place in the 100 meters, 200 meters, 400 meters and both the 4x100 and 4x400 relay to boot.

This weekend it's time for the sprinters to prove last weekend wasn't a fluke. The Irish split up this weekend, sending a small group of runners to California to compete in the Pomona Invitational and the Mount Sac Invitational, while the rest of the team travels to Indianapolis for Butler University's Indy Invitational.

With the exception of freshman hurdler Selim Nurudeno, who will compete in the 110-meter hurdles and 400-meter hurdles at Pomona on Friday and Mount Sac on Sunday, the Irish sprinters will all head down US-31 to the state capital.

At Indy, sprints coach John Millar is hoping to see another strong outing from his 4x400 relay team, a team that ran a time of 3 minutes 14.75 seconds in Missouri.

Millar especially wants to see a solid weekend out of senior William Crocker, who ran a split below 48 seconds last weekend but has yet to crack 50 seconds in an open 400 during his career as an Irishman.

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Men's Lacrosse

Season draws to a close, Irish face must-win

By JOE LICANDRO
Sports Writer

It is do or die time for the Notre Dame men’s lacrosse team when they play host to Fairfield this Sunday at Moose Krause Stadium.

With a 4-6 overall record, the only chance for the Irish to qualify for the NCAA Tournament is to finish atop the Great Western Lacrosse League. Currently, the Irish are in first in the GWLL with an undefeated record of 3-0, but there is still much work to be done.

Notre Dame must defeat their remaining two GWLL opponents (Fairfield this Sunday and Ohio State two weeks later) to win the division. Luckily for the Irish, both of these contests will be at home. Although both the Stags and the Buckeyes each have one loss in division play and sit one game behind the Irish in the standings, Notre Dame cannot afford to lose either game.

“We’ve got to win these last two [division] games. There’s no question about it,” said Irish head coach Kevin Corrigan. “The number one criteria for a tie [in game records] is head-to-head competition. Even though we haven’t lost a division game yet, Fairfield will win this week. Fairfield will win the division if they beat us on Sunday. Their loss was against Air Force, who is not one of the three teams that still has a shot to tie for the division. The same thing applies for us when we play Ohio State. We have to be undefeated for the league.”

After last week’s disappointing 11-8 loss to Army, in which Notre Dame surrendered two-goal leads twice in the game, the Irish know they must recapture their intensity for this weekend. Prior to the loss at Army, the Irish were in the midst of a three-game winning streak.

Corrigan attributed last week’s loss to a lack of energy and preparation during the week of practice preceding the game. So far this week, the Irish have worked much harder in practice to correct their mental breakdowns from the week before.

“Practice has definitely been a lot more intense this week,” said sophomore attacker Steve Gaglio. “The coaches have really worked us hard. Against Army, we didn’t do all the little things well it takes to win a game, because we just did not practice hard the week before. When we practice well, we play well.”

Corrigan believes the key to this week’s game is the play of his defense. The strong Irish defense did not play to its usual standards against Army giving up 11 goals to the Cadets.

“It’s tough to win games when you give up 11 goals,” said Corrigan. “It is not one individual player’s responsibility. We all need to play better team defense. Our primary objective is to hold the score down to give our offense a chance to win. At the same token, our offense needs to start making plays.”

One player who has been making plays all season is attacker Dan Berger. The sophomore tied a career-high three goals this week, the Irish are looking forward to keeping their post-season dreams alive.

This game may depend on which Fairfield team shows up. The Stags enter the contest with a winning record at 6-4, but they have been inconsistent all season. They have had some huge victories against Ohio State and Holy Cross, but have also had some bad losses, most notably an 8-5 defeat at the hands of Air Force.

Sunday’s game marks the first time the Irish have played a home game in a month. After finishing a four-game road trip with an impressive 3-1 record, the Irish are looking forward to playing in front of a home crowd for the most important game of the season. Despite the high stakes involved in the game, Corrigan believes his Irish are ready to rise to the occasion this weekend.

“We’re concentrating very hard this week in practice on improving from our mistakes in the last game,” said Corrigan. “We can’t worry about anybody else but ourselves. We don’t need any extra motivation this week. Everyone knows the consequences of this game.”

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Belles look to win 2 more

By SARAH RYKOWSKI
Sports Writer

The Belles brought two wins home late Wednesday night, and are hoping for two more this Saturday, in their first home game since MIAA play began.

Saint Mary’s defeated Olivet’s Lady Comets 1-0, 3-1 in Wednesday’s doubleheader at Olivet.

“In the first game, Libby (Wilhelm) pitched a one-hitter,” sophomore second baseman Rebekah Solmos said. “It made it easier for the rest of us.”

Belles catcher Susan Kutz hit a single, and Solmos sent her home with a triple for Saint Mary’s game-winning run. Solmos, Mar innate Walsh and Katie Frigge each finished with two hits in the low-scoring game.

“We got the hits that we needed,” Solmos said. “We hit really well as a team.” Kutz’ run broke the scoreless tie in the second inning, and neither team scored in the final five innings.

In the second game, senior captain Kristin Martin pitched the Belles to victory to sweep the Lady Comets. Martin finished with five strikeouts and two hits of her own. Jill Clark, Erin Sullivan and Kathleen Wipapa each scored for the Belles.

“Erin Sullivan put us ahead in the second game, but everyone contributed to the win,” Solmos said.

Since the start of conference play, the Belles have focused on their batting, and according to Solmos, they will continue to do so in light of the key role their hitting played in Wednesday’s victory.

“We’re going to be hitting a lot in practice (Thursday),” Solmos said. “It is something we will continue to work on.”

The Belles, now seventh in the MIAA after displacing Olivet, with a conference record of 2-6, and an overall record of 7-10, look to move another step in the standings when they face Kalamazoo Saturday.

“We’ve been playing really well,” Solmos said. “We took control hitting-wise.” Kalamazoo will be looking for redemption after a dual defeat at the hands of Hillsdale Tuesday, 5-0, 9-1.

In their last conference game, they lost to Hope. Earlier in the season, Kalamazoo defeated Olivet, 4-2, and junior pitcher Emery Engers closed the game, allowing no hits and striking out three batters. Engers, junior Sarah Martyn and sophomore Elii Toskey have swapped pitching duties for Kalamazoo this season under head coach Tracey Cicciu.

Kalamazoo brings a 2-4 conference and 6-12 overall record to Saint Mary’s Saturday. The teams face off for the first game at 1 p.m.

“We did really well in the last game against Alma,” Solmos said. “The momentum should carry us through. I definitely think being at home will be an advantage.”

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SMC SOFTBALL

Pair of top ten rivals square off Saturday

By CHRIS COLEMAN
Sports Writer

Thus far, the women’s lacrosse teams of Notre Dame and Georgetown have been perfect in Big East play. They will both put up their 4-0 conference records on the line when they meet this Saturday.

The second-ranked Hoyas present a huge challenge for the ninth-ranked Irish, but have already faced Duke, Yale and Syracuse, the Irish feel ready to take on the Hoyas.

“But being able to be right there with [Duke], they were ranked as high as two on the year. ... We’ll be fine for Georgetown,” captain Tina Fedarcyk said.

The Irish beat Syracuse for the first time in school history and came within one post shot of beating Duke last Friday. They came back from the Duke loss by beating No. 5 Yale by a three-goal margin.

The 9-3 Irish are having the best season in their six-year history. While seven seniors lead the team, the Irish have been offensively effective because of a multitude of weapons and the fact that any one on the team can score when called upon.

“Our composure right now is unbelievable,” said senior Natalie Loftus. “But we’re confident in ourselves and in each other out there. It doesn’t matter who is handling the ball out there, whoever it is they’ll get the job done. We are ready.”

Georgetown is coming off its best season ever, making it into the national championship game last year and losing in triple overtime to Maryland. The Hoyas lost six starters and three All Americans from that team but retained Erin Elbe, who has been an All American the last three years.

Elbe was the preseason Big East offensive player of the year, and is currently offensive player of the week for her 10-point effort against Boston College.

However, Elbe is facing the top-ranked defense in the nation, led by two of the three top defenders in Kathleen Lam and Tina Pedarchyk. The defense, along with goalkeeper Jenny White, has been consistent for Notre Dame all year, and it is looking for redemption of the 2-10-0 Georgetown loss.

“It’s a big game, we’re ready. We want the Big East, we want everything,” White said. “We have got to go out with a lot of heart like we did today [against Yale]. We’re going to have to go out with a game like it’s a big game, but having confidence in the big game. ... We can play with them.”

The winner of the game will become the Big East champion, as each team only has one conference game left.

“We want to win the Big East, that brings all the focus to Georgetown on Saturday," coach Tracey Coyne said.

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Falcons soar high, fall short of Irish upset

By MATT LOZAR
Sports Writer

Bowling Green came to Ivy Field Thursday with nothing to lose against Notre Dame.

The Falcons brought an energetic and loose squad to play the Irish knowing they were the underdog. The Irish gave the Falcons a chance to win the game, but when it mattered, the Irish offense came through.

After losing an early 4-0 lead, Megan Ciolli's bases-clearing triple completed a four-run sixth inning rally for Notre Dame (25-13) and gave them an 8-5 victory over Bowling Green.

"I think they came here with nothing to lose and they went after us," said head coach Deanna Gumpf. "We thought we had a nice lead and we sat on it. You can't sit on it with a team like that. They do that to teams all the time.

With nothing to lose, the Falcons used a relaxed approach in hoping to upset the Irish.

"This would have been like the World Series win for them, so we just had to show them who Notre Dame was," said Ciolli, whose triple was her center field fence putting the Irish lead to 4-3.

"Heidi Krehel went off with a single and Kari Hoag pinch ran for the first baseman. Hartmann laid down a sacrifice bunt but the Falcons tried to get Hoag at second. Hoag beat the throw and put two Irish runners on base with nobody out.

"I think Ashley Dopp's sacrifice bunt moved the runners into scoring position. Pinch hitter Annie Dell'Aria worked to earn a walk to load the bases for Jenny Kriech.

"Kriech singled to right, tying the game at five. Ciolli knew what she had to do to put the Irish ahead.

"When Jenny got a hit, that fired me up," Ciolli said. "It was just a point of picking out a good pitch. My pitch selection wasn't too hot all day, but she threw a ball at my hands, which is my favorite pitch, so I hit it back at her."

Ciolli sent a 1-0 pitch to the center field fence for a three-run triple and put the Irish in front 8-5.

"She stepped up when we needed her," Gumpf said. "That was huge on Megan's part. It was perfect.

Wisen (11-4) pitched the seventh and earned her third victory in as many games.

"Returning to Big East action this weekend, Notre Dame plays Virginia Tech in a Saturday doubleheader. The Hokies are 29-13 overall and 5-5 in the conference."

"Virginia Tech is a great athletes team and they can hit. They are one of the best hitting teams in the Big East," Gumpf said. "They have solid pitching. They are a solid team. They are just good. We have to come out and play great ball."

On Wednesday against Tennessee, Virginia Tech pitcher Ashlee Dobbe threw her fourth no-hitter of the year and eighth of her career. Dobbe is 20-9 with a 1.93 ERA on the season.

Shortstop Carmen Farmer leads the Hokies with 47 hits and a .389 batting average. Catcher Amy Voorhees is first on team with five home runs and 28 RBI.

Notre Dame plays Virginia Tech at Ivy Field Saturday. The first game is scheduled to start at 11:00 a.m.

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Sports Writer

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Putting on a Blues jersey was a great opportunity for all three students to continue playing rugby, but it was not the same as having a team on Notre Dame’s campus.

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Leaving the red jersey behind meant Clark had to adjust to full-contact drills in practice. And instead of throwing passes during the first 20 minutes of practice, Clark had to get used to tackling them.

But it doesn’t matter what he has to change — Clark’s eagerness to learn and adjust is what leads to his constant improvement.

“I think you can see the progress almost instantly,” Irish head coach Tyrone Willingham said. “He jumped in here and did some very good things today because he is very adjust to full-contact drills in practice. And instead of throwing passes during the first 20 minutes of practice, Clark had to get used to tackling them.”

FOOTBALL

Clark to make switch to tight end

By ANDREW SOUKUP
Sports Writer

For the first time in a long time, junior Clark had a giant grin on his face after practice Thursday.

This was because the biggest tight end on the Irish roster wasn’t wearing the red jersey, typically reserved for quarterback for the first time since arriving at Notre Dame.

After spending two seasons behind Carl Byrne and Matt LaVecchio on the depth chart, Clark decided he had enough. He approached coach Charlie Weis after Tuesday’s practice and asked if he could switch positions. They readily agreed.

“I looked at the situation and evaluated my play, and after evaluating the other two, it was easy to see those two were doing better than me,” Clark said. “I didn’t want to spend another year on the bench and I want to do whatever I can to help the team out.”

The switch is a dramatic one for Clark, who has never played tight end before. As long as he’s played football, he’s played quarterback. He played some defensive end during his high school career, but it was his strong arm that attracted college recruiters.

But even though the only position Clark knew in college was quarterback, he wanted to get playing time even more. Clark, who sat out his entire freshman season, only played four snaps at quarterback during the 2002 season. He even approached the coaching staff last year about the possibility of moving to the special teams units just so he could earn playing time.

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