Proposed common tailgating park for Notre Dame fans was turned down on Tuesday by the St. Joseph County Council. The park was to be constructed by South Carolina-based Go Park Enterprises.

By MELISSA LOU
New Writer

The St. Joseph County Council has voted down a measure that would allow South Carolina-based Go Park Enterprises to develop an off-campus tailgate parking lot for Irish fans. The site for the proposed Irish park is located between Willis and Burdette Streets, off Douglas Road, and is a 10-minute walk from Notre Dame.

"The project amounts to a commercial venture in a residential area," said Gary Woods, director of asset management for the University. According to the Go Park Web site, the Go Irish Park would provide a brick gated entry, a landscaped park, key swipe access and a 6,000-square-foot clubhouse that would have ample restrooms, cable TV, a social area and shelter for inclement weather.

Each parking space would be about 10-by-20 feet, purchased by fans for between $10,000 and $15,000. The idea is that fans would purchase the lot for life, much like one would purchase a condominium, except instead of a wall between units, fans would receive a permanent, private tailgating area.

"It was not for the project because we always try to be good neighbors in the areas surrounding our campus. To put a commercial venture in the middle of a residential area where there are no sidewalks in a heavily traffic in a good idea."

The council voted 8-1 against granting Go Park a special-use status. Under current South Bend zoning laws, the status would have allowed the company to establish the commercial enterprise in the residential location, said Councilman Dennis Schafer.

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During the Christmas break, instead of abiding the controls for online registration, you jetted off to the Caribbean and left many students in the dark. You had the responsibility to remain online and functional throughout the break so students could have second thoughts about registering and the process.

The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and do not necessarily those of The Observer. Contact Justin Krivickas at jkrivickas@nd.edu.

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Reckers: making south side smile

By CHRISTINA CEPERO
News Writer

Reckers, the only 24-hour restaurant on campus, revamped its menu over winter break to offer students new and improved items.

University staff decided it was time to make Reckers into something fresh, said junior Katie Hunter, a student manager.

Mike Davy, operations manager of Reckers since it opened in 1998, said the restaurant on campus.

The restaurant focused on revamping its menu over the last year, modeling its items for four years. The Reckers menu needed a try, Reckers staff began making the changes.

After six months of planning and studying student questionnaires, trade journals and trends in the restaurant industry, Reckers staff began developing new recipes for its menu from other campus restaurants.

The new menu offers more than 1,500 possible sandwich combinations, including five favorites, all baked in its own wood-fired oven.

"It's a nice change from regular bread," said senior Crystal Martinez.

Students have a choice of cabbed grilled chicken, grilled tuna, grilled veggies, sliced beef or ham for $4 with one ingredient, for $4.50 with two ingredients or for $5 with three ingredients.

Although prices have increased, the sandwiches "taste and cost as much as you want," Davey said. Students can customize their sandwiches by choosing from nine flours, five sauces, five spreads and five cheeses.

Senior Ryan Steel, a student manager, said, "They are unique to sandwiches anywhere else on campus or in the dining halls."

Reckers also wanted to provide a savory alternative to the newly opened Subway in LaFortune Student Center.

In order to offer such a wide variety of gourmet sandwich es, Reckers had to eliminate certain fillings. "Students can get turkey and egg salad sandwiches anywhere on campus," said Davey.

Reckers staff have also had to re-train its employees, including 70 students.

"It was a little afraid of it at first because there are so many different things, but I think it's going to work well," said Hunter.

Students have had a very favorable response toward the new sandwiches.

"Most students are very willing to try something new," said Davey.

Reckers has also added a grilled Portobello mushroom sandwich ideal for vegetarians, a new line of Freshen Farms high-quality ice cream and burger patties increased from a third of a pound to a half-pound. Reckers staff has the same wood oven-baked pizzas, side dishes and drinks as before.

The restaurant remodeled its order-taking area as part of the first phase of changes. The cash register is now in the middle of the counter, so students can see the fruit and pastries while in line and serve themselves, speeding up the process. And to pick up their food orders, students now take beepers to the right side of the counter to relieve the congestion that used to develop around the cash register.

To pick up Show Me The Money ice cream or Jamaican Jerk burger, students now take beepers to the right side of the counter to relieve the congestion that used to develop around the cash register.

In the future, Reckers plans to undergo a second phase of remodeling. That will include re-upholstering the furniture, changing the carpet and painting the walls in the dining area.

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By MATT BRAMANTI
News Writer

Ask a Notre Dame student about the Hanmes Notre Dame Bookstore, and you'll hear a lot of words, but "cheap" likely will not be among them.

"[The prices are] ridiculous and confiscatory," said junior Megan Oliver.

Two Notre Dame sophomores agree, and are solving the problem. Chris Kelly, a business major, and Aaron Wenger, an engineering major, have created NDBay.com, a free online service that allows students to buy and sell textbooks online.

The two students began their career in software development while they were high school classmates in Harrisburg, Pa.

Their company, Elite Technology Solutions, develops Web sites for local businesses.

NDBay users can employ a simple search program that matches up would-be buyers and sellers via e-mail. Payment is handled privately rather than online, making the site secure and simple to operate, Kelly said.

The Web site was rapidly gaining popularity since it went live in early December, Kelly said.

"We've signed up over 10 percent of the undergraduates at Notre Dame," he said.

The site has even gained corporate sponsorship. Notre Dame Food Services finances the operation of the site, in exchange for advertising space for the Huddle's Burger King.

Kelly is also considering plans to expand his site's offerings.

"We've considered adding a football ticket exchange," Kelly said. However, NDBay.com will stay true to its motto, allowing students to "Buy for less, sell for more."

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Pax Christi members protest the upcoming conflict as a result of the rising tension between the Middle Eastern nation of Iraq and the United States.

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how the influx of up to 5,000 people would affect the community and who would clean up the garbage left behind on residents' front yards. Homeowners from the community were also present at the meeting where they vocally opposed the project, the bot- toms of those who opposed the project, the bottom line was that the proposal was a good idea in the wrong location with unsafe condi-
tions. Go Park Enterprises, based in Greenville, S.C., has yet to decide what it will do with the property. The company is also looking to create a tailgate park in West Lafayette, Ind., for Purdue University fans.

For example, Food Services declined to release information for the fall semester's Flex Point usage, Foley said, questioning why officials would think students could not inter-
pret this data. "I have also seen a lack of respect in my own deal-
ing with administrators who fail to recognize the intelli-
gence, thoughtfulness and maturity of Notre Dame stu-
dents."

Foley said students are capa-
bly of making contributions and decisions and that their input should not be disregarded. Senators Kevin Conley, chair of the Residence Life Committee, and Jeremy Staley, chair of the Academic Affairs Committee, supported Foley's remarks. Conley said senators cannot effectively do their job and make contributions if administrators refuse to help them.

Staley said the University is not fulfilling its responsibility and commitment to students by not listening to their concerns. He said he understands that administrators are busy, but he does not see how they cannot return multiple messages when the University exists for the sole purpose of its students.

"Sometimes there will be those who want to help, but those that are extremely resistant to wanting to hear what our committee has to say," said Staley.

Foley said the issue of disre-
spect will be highlighted and actively discussed at upcoming Senate meetings. "While I am deeply disturbed by what can only be character-
ized as an institutional lack of respect for student opinion, I do believe that we still have a chance to reverse this trend," said Foley.

In other Senate news:

- Senate unanimously approved a resolution to send a letter to Dean Angel Chamblee from the First Year of Studies, along with other administra-
tors, asking that First Year of Studies review its policy on International Baccalaureate credits for incoming students.
- Senate distributed the Sexual Assault Awareness posters to senators to post in bathrooms and outside RA rooms. Courtney Kohout, Radin Hall senator and member of the Gender Issues committee, worked with the Sexual Assault Advisory Committee throughout the fall semester to discuss details of the poster's presenta-
tion.
- Kaitlyn Redfield replaced Kate Schlosser as Pangborn Hall senator. Schlosser went abroad this semester.
- Danielle Ledeisna, Judicial Council president, nominated Betsy Schrader, Megan Bears, Laura Beauchamp, Maureen Ritche, Brandon Bludau and Mike Dolson for the Judicial Council Executive Committee. The committee will review any campaign violations during the fall semester and vote on the nomin-
ations at its next meeting.

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Judge rules sniper suspect may be tried as adult

Associated Press

FAIRFAX, Va. — A judge ruled Wednesday that 17-year-old sniper suspect John Lee Malvo can be tried as an adult, making him eligible for the death penalty.

Juvenile Court Judge Charles Maxfield issued his decision after a two-day hearing in which prosecutors said evidence connected Malvo to three fatal sniper attacks and that he tried to extort $10 million from authorities in last fall’s killing spree.

Malvo and John Allen Muhammad, 42, are accused of killing 13 people and wounding five others in Alabama, Georgia, Louisiana, Maryland, Virginia and Washington, D.C., last year. They are being tried first in Virginia.

On Wednesday, a detective who interviewed Malvo for six hours after his arrest identified his voice on tape recordings of two threatening phone calls to authorities following the attacks.

"I talked to him long enough to know he’s very smooth and well-spoken," the detective said. "I heard his voice immediately," Fairfax County police Detective June Boyo testified. She described Malvo as calm, relaxed and even "jovial on occasion" during their interview.

Defense lawyers challenged whether the caller was even male.

FBI agent Jackie Dalrymple testified that she monitored one of the calls, made Oct. 21, from someone claiming to be a sniper who laid out non-negotiable terms for ending the killings.

The call, received two days after a patron was shot and critically wounded as he left an Ashland restaurant, ordered police to hold a news conference and say they believed they had caught the sniper "like a duck in a noose."

Otherwise, the caller told police, "be sure to know that we will not desist from previous threats to kill more people."

Montgomery County forensic expert David McGill testified that a note left at the Silver Spring, Md., location where bus driver Conrad Johnson was slain Oct. 22 read: "For you Mr. police, call me God. Do not release to the press. Call us now! Do not play these childish games with us. You know our demands."

The note reiterated that the sniper "respects police" and that "the duck in a noose" phrase at a news conference "to let us know you have received our demands."

Montgomery County, Md., Police Chief Charles Moose read the cryptic message at a conference during the search for the snipers.

Fairfax County prosecutor Robert F. Horan Jr. said the note also said that Johnson was killed because police hadn’t responded quickly enough to earlier demands for money.

It told police, "Your incompetence has cost you another life," Horan said.

The extortion allegation is a key element of Virginia anti-terrorism law that allows the death penalty for killers convicted of attempting to intimidate the public or coerce the government. Malvo is also charged with the Ashland shooting.

As the sniper investigation continued, a disturbing pattern of using the rhetoric of diversity as a substitute for real progress on a civil right.

Bush opposes affirmative action at University of Michigan

Associated Press

WASHINGTON President Bush, stepping into a politically charged affirmative action case, asserted Wednesday that a program of racial preferences for minority applicants at the University of Michigan is "divisive, unfair and impossible to square with the Constitution."

Despite his and civil rights leaders sharply attacked Bush’s position in a Supreme Court case that could put a generation of affirmative action programs in jeopardy.

"The administration continues a disturbing pattern of using the rhetoric of diversity as a substitute for real progress on a civil right," said Sen. John Kerry, D-Mass., a candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination.

"Sensitive to such criticism, the White House said a brief was being filed Thursday on Bush’s behalf is narrowly tailored to address affirmative action in college admissions," the administration would file a brief. "But the method used by the University of Michigan to achieve this important goal is fundamentally flawed."

The Bush administration "amounts to a quota system that unfairly rewards or penalizes prospective students solely on the basis of race," Bush said.

He said the undergraduate admissions program awards black, Hispanic and Native American students 20 points, one-fifth of the total normally needed for admission. At the law school, some minority students are admitted to meet percentage targets while others with higher grades are passed over, Bush said.

"Quota systems that use race to include or exclude people from higher education and the opportunities it offers are divisive, unfair and impossible to square with the Constitution," Bush said. "Declined to take questions.

The last Supreme Court case that addressed affirmative action in college admissions banned the outright use of racial quotas but still allowed universi- ty admissions officers to use race as a factor. The case, the 1978 Bakke ruling, involved a white applicant rejected for medical school in California.
VENEZUELA

Currency hits all time low

Associated Press

CARACAS A seven-week-old opposition strike against President Hugo Chavez hit Venezuela's currency to a new low Wednesday and sent Venezuelans in the capital scrambling to banks to buy dollars.

Support for Chavez's adamant refusal to negotiate early elections showed signs of crumbling as three pro-Chavez lawmakers unveiled a plan for an early vote on his presidency.

The strike has slashed oil exports to a trickle, depriving the government of half its income. Venezuela's bolivar currency closed at 1,716 to the U.S. dollar, down 6 percent from Tuesday. In Caracas, hundreds of citizens waited in long lines at banks and exchange houses to buy dollars.

Trying to calm fears of an economic crash, the government denied speculation that it plans to devalue the bolivar so it can balance its $25 billion budget. Most government income is in dollars and a weaker currency would increase the oil-striking government's budget. Most government plans to devalue the bolivar so far.

President Hugo Chavez, who has 54 percent of vote in recent polls, said he had little success in mediating talks since November 2002.

The solution must be democratic, constitutional, and, it seems, electoral.

Gonzalez Sanchez de Lozada Bolivian President

VENEZUELA GERMANY

Thursday, January 16, 2003

Associated Press

BERLIN Germany's top law enforcement official outlawed an Islamic group on Wednesday, citing the spread of anti-Semitic and anti-Israeli propaganda to explain the third such ban since Sept. 11.

Little is known about the organization and structure of Hizb ut-Tahrir, but German authorities say the group - whose name means Liberation party advocates the destruction of Israel and has called for the killing of Jews.

In conjunction with the ban, police raided 30 properties in five of Germany's 16 states, seizing propaganda but making no arrests.

Interior Minister Otto Schily expressed particular concern over the spread of propaganda, noting that several of the Sept. 11 plotters studied in Germany. "I will not tolerate organizations here engaging in anti-Semitic and anti-Israeli hate propaganda," Schily told a news conference.

In Germany, inciting racial or religious hatred is outlawed. Expressing particular concern over the spread of propaganda, Schily said it has been active in Germany distributing leaflets with anti-Semitic messages at mosques, Islamic centers and universities. He also has a German-language magazine and Web site, delivering the same propaganda.

But authorities have no reliable information on how many people in Germany belong to the group, or whether it has links with other Islamic organizations. "We are following some trials," Schily said.

The university said Wednesday it had canceled the registration of the association that had allowed members of Hizb ut-Tahrir to speak at the university.

It remains unclear how successful the group was at recruiting at universities a concern for German authorities since revelations that the Hamburg cell of Sept. 11 plotters posed as ordi-

nary foreign students for years before the deadly mission.

Hizb ut-Tahrir rejects accusations of extremism and says its aim is to promote the Islamic way of life in the Muslim world.

Schily wonders for the group in Britain said Germany's action was "tantamount to thinking of freedom. "We are not against Jews or Christians. We are against the state of Israel," Imam Waleed said by telephone. The group doesn't believe in the use of violence and armed struggle to achieve its aims.

The group has been under observation by officials in Germany since at least 2000. In November, federal authorities raided 27 apartments belonging to members of the "Hizb ut-Tahrir" across the country on suspicion of founding a radical Islamic organization.

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**In Brief**

Bank of America 4Q earnings rise

Retail banks reported earnings at all analysts’ expectations on Wednesday, with profits driven by gains in mortgages, credit card portfolios and other areas. Bank of America reported fourth-quarter profits of $2.61 billion, or $1.69 a share, up 27 percent from $2.05 billion, or $1.28 a share a year earlier. Analysts surveyed by Thomson First Call had expected the bank to earn $1.63 per share.

The bank, which is based in Charlotte, N.C., said earnings were fueled by growth in consumer banking revenue and tight expense controls. In trading, shares fell 3/8 to close Wednesday at $71.45 on the New York Stock Exchange.

Bank of America said gains in mortgages, debit and credit cards, and deposits, were offset somewhat by continued losses in revenue from the weak stock market.

Wholesale prices remain constant

Wholesale prices held steady in December as the spurring economy made it difficult for some companies to charge more. The flat reading in the Producer Price Index, which measures prices paid to factori-ers, farmers and other producers, came after wholesale prices fell by 0.4 percent in November, the first decline in seven months.

Excluding energy and food prices, which can swing widely, core wholesale prices dipped by 0.3 percent in December for the second straight month, suggesting some good deals are out there.

The Federal Reserve, meanwhile, painted a picture of a lackluster economy in its latest survey of business conditions. It cited "sub-dued growth" in economic activity from mid-November through early January and little change in overall conditions.

**MARKET RECAP**

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In two lengthy dissents, Justices John Paul Stevens and Stephen Breyer said the court was making a mistake.

"The serious public harm and the virtually nonexistent public benefit are not more clear," Breyer wrote.

Copyright holders stand to collect about $400 mil-

len more a year from older creations under the exten-

sion, he said. The limit on "Steamboat Willie."

A contrary ruling would have caused huge losses for entertainment giants like Disney and AOL Time Warner Inc. AOL Time Warner had said that would threaten copyrights for such movies as "Casablanca," "The Wizard of Oz" and "Gone With the Wind."

Also at risk of expiration was protection for the ver-

tion of Mickey Mouse por-

trayed in Disney’s earliest

Disney CEO Michael Eisner answers questions Sunday during a press conference launching Hong Kong Disney. The Supreme Court ruled Wednesday that the compa-

ny could receive extended copyright protections over its creations.

"The winners are folks who hold valuable copy-

rights. The losers are everyone else," said Erik S. Jaffe, a Washington attor-

ney who filed arguments in the case. "Everyone is going to pay more for things they would have had for cheap or free."

But Jack Valenti, president of the Motion Picture Association of America, said that copyrights encourage the creation and preservation of works.

"That is why this ruling is a victory not only for rights holders, but also for con-

sumers everywhere," he said.

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Associated Press

WASHINGTON Mickey Mouse and The Walt Disney Co. scored a big victory Wednesday as the Supreme Court upheld longer copyright protections for cartoon characters, songs, books and other creations worth billions of dollars.

Companies like Disney breathed a collective sigh of relief with the 7-2 court ruling giving Congress permission to repeatedly extend copyright protection.

The decision was a blow to Internet publishers and others who wanted to make old books available online and use the likenesses of Mickey Mouse and other old creations without paying royalties.

Hundreds of thousands of books, movies and songs were close to being released into the public domain when Congress extended the copyright for 20 years in 1998.

Justices said the copyright extension, named for the late Rep. Sonny Bono, R-Calif., was neither unconstitutional nor overreaching by Congress, nor a violation of free-speech rights.

"We are not at liberty to second-guess congressional determinations and judicial judgments of this order, however debatable or arguably unsound they may be," Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg wrote for the majority.

In two lengthy dissents, Justices John Paul Stevens and Stephen Breyer said the court was making a mistake.

"The serious public harm and the virtually nonexis-
tent public benefit are not more clear," Breyer wrote.

Copyright holders stand to collect about $400 mil-

len more a year from older creations under the exten-

sion, he said. The limit on 

"Steamboat Willie."

A contrary ruling would have caused huge losses for entertainment giants like Disney and AOL Time Warner Inc. AOL Time Warner had said that would threaten copyrights for such movies as "Casablanca," "The Wizard of Oz" and "Gone With the Wind."

Also at risk of expiration was protection for the ver-

tion of Mickey Mouse por-

trayed in Disney’s earliest

Disney CEO Michael Eisner answers questions Sunday during a press conference launching Hong Kong Disney. The Supreme Court ruled Wednesday that the compa-

ny could receive extended copyright protections over its creations.

"The winners are folks who hold valuable copy-

rights. The losers are everyone else," said Erik S. Jaffe, a Washington attor-

ney who filed arguments in the case. "Everyone is going to pay more for things they would have had for cheap or free."

But Jack Valenti, president of the Motion Picture Association of America, said that copyrights encourage the creation and preservation of works.

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JERUSALEM

Israel closed two Palestinian colleges on Wednesday and pumped cement into three east Jerusalem houses to destroy apartments belonging to Palestinians convicted in a series of deadly bombings.

Also Wednesday, three Palestinians were killed in scattered clashes with Israeli soldiers in the West Bank — two teenagers and a man said by relatives to be mentally ill, according to Palestinians and the Israeli army.

The United States criticized Israel's closure of the Islamic University and the Polytechnic Institute, both in the West Bank town of Hebron.

Israel was responding to a Palestinian suicide bombing that killed 23 people in Tel Aviv earlier this month. But State Department spokesman Richard Boucher said the action was not in the interest of either side.

Palestinian Education Minister Naim Abu'! Humus accused the Israelis of attempting to sabotage the education process, which already has been badly affected through sieges, closures and curfews.

Several thousand students attend the two colleges. The army said some are using the facilities to plan and launch attacks in mostly Arab east Jerusalem. Israeli police, accompanied by cement trucks and Asian workers, filled three houses with barrel after barrel of wet cement. They also punched holes in opposite sides of the houses and placed long steel beams through the houses at chest level to further discourage anyone from returning.

"The Israelis are continuing their military escalation against our people, lands, institutions, women and children everywhere," Yasser Arafat, Palestinian leader, said Wednesday.

Palestinian colleges on Wednesday were the first time Israel said it destroys the homes to deter Palestinian attacks but Palestinians condemn the tactic as collective punishment.

Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat said Palestinian factions were trying to reach a consensus on a possible ceasefire but Israel was making it difficult. The Israelis "are continuing their military escalation against our people, lands, institutions, women and children everywhere," he said after Wednesday's violence in the West Bank.

Arafat aide Nabil Abu Rdeneh said that Egypt is to host a series of meetings next week of Palestinian factions, aimed at forging a common program. Earlier meetings in Cairo between Arafat's Fatah and the violent Islamic Hamas, aimed at an end to suicide bombings in Israel, ended inconclusively.

Israeli soldiers shot a Palestinian who detonated several bombs as they were trying to arrest suspected militants in a refugee camp in Tulkarem, the army said. Mouhi Aldin Hamza, 16, was killed, Palestinian hospital officials said. A second 16-year-old Palestinian was killed by Israeli troops in stone-throwing clashes that erupted later in Tulkarem, Palestinian witnesses and officials said. The army said soldiers shot a Palestinian hurling firebombs at troops, but had no information on his fate.

In Kabaita, a village in the northern West Bank, Israeli troops fatally shot a Palestinian man who approached them, despite their warnings to stop. They identified him as Ribhi Zakar. They were among more than 20 suspected militants arrested in West Bank sweeps Wednesday, the army said.

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On the Mediterranean coast of Egypt, there lies the ancient city of Alexandria. Named after its founder, Alexander the Great, the city was once home to a library whose greatness was not rivalled throughout the world. The Library of Alexandria was more than a place where books were collected and studied; it contained lecture areas, gardens, a shrine to each of the Muses (the original meaning of the Latin word "museum") and even a zoo. At one time the library was thought to have held more than half a million documents from Greece, Persia, Egypt, Assyria, India and elsewhere.

Scholars from around the Mediterranean flocked to it to study. It was at the Library that Euclid wrote his geometry, Archimedes made the first discoveries of what may meanfully be called science, and at the request of Ptolemy II a team of 72 rabbis translated the Pentateuch into Greek.

It is difficult to know when or by whom the Library was destroyed. Amongst those accused are Julius Caesar, Theophrastus (Patriarch of Alexandria from 385 to 412 AD) and Caliph Omar. Inevitably, the question of whether the Library was destroyed by a pagan, a Christian or a Muslim has never been able to escape an ideological dimension, and since what evidence we possess is tantalisingly inconclusive this will no doubt remain the case.

Whoever was to blame, it is known that when the Library was destroyed, countless great works of antiquity were lost forever. All but seven of the 90 plays of Aeschylus, the second book of Aristotle's Poetics, and countless other works of literature, philosophy and history were lost to us. James Billington, the librarian of Congress, has said, "One ghastly image haunts all of us charged with preserving the creative heritage of humanity: the specter of the great, lost Library of Alexandria."

Whoever was responsible, the books of the Library were destroyed by fire, and the destruction of the Library forms part of the long and terrible history of book burning. The most famous book burnings in modern history took place in Germany after the Nazis rose to power. In one of the most notorious acts of persecution to which poets are sometimes prone, a century earlier Heinrich Heine had written that, "Wherever they burn books they will also, in the end, burn human beings."

The Nazi book burnings and the Holocaust were not unrelated atrocities. The destruction of culture is integral to the genocidal program, which is not simply to kill a people, but to obliterate (the word literally means "to erase") them from human history.

The connection between genocide and the systematic destruction of culture was officially recognised by the Genocide Convention of 1948. As the century continued the enormity of the Holocaust gradually entered into Western consciousness with the effect that Nazism is now perhaps the only universal symbol of moral evil, the touchstone we reach for when we need to reassure ourselves that not everything is relative or a matter of subjective opinion.

Holocaust education is undoubtedly important, but the fact that we continually turn to Nazism for our examples of absolute evil shows that many of us have yet to hear the news that the 20th Century was the bloodiest in history and is replete with examples of human brutality. Some scholars estimate that between the October Revolution and the fall of the Berlin Wall, 100 million people were killed under communist regimes, a number that defeats the imagination, like the distance to the stars.

The largest single act of book burning in history took place in our lifetimes. On August 25, 1992, Serb nationalist forces began a three-day incendiary assault on the National and University Library of Bosnia. Estimates of the amount of books destroyed approach 1.5 million, including 151,000 rare books and manuscripts, along with the state archives. During the attack, the people of Sarajevo formed a human chain to save books from the flames. They did this while under fire from snipers. Last October, on the Mediterranean coast of Egypt, the new Bibliotheca Alexandrina opened on what scholars believe to be the site of the original Library. The opening is the culmination of a 20-year project supported by the United Nations. Compared to the Library of Congress or the British Library in London its book collection is currently modest, but it is set to expand rapidly and the Bibliotheca Alexandrina should eventually become a center of learning for scholars from around the world.

The new Library of Alexandria is already a symbol of hope for those who have not despaired that the inverse of Heine's dictum may also hold true and that in the future mankind, having learnt to treat books with due reverence, will finally do the same with human beings.

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Graduate school causes woes

I'm applying to graduate schools right now. I am at a different psychology major. My two options in life are graduate school or spending the rest of my time living like people if they'd like fries with that. Actually, I have a third option: I can go into business. This is also the only thing you can do with every other BA in the College of Arts and Letters. That's how the business majors get their revenue on us for making fun of them for four years — they're the ones who provide our pubic attempts to sell out.

Applying to graduate school is not like applying to college. For one thing, graduate schools, at least in psychology, do not appear to want students. They have a 3 to 5 percent acceptance rate. These are not people who want to teach. These are people who want to hole up in their offices and play Snood.

So, you pick the Clinical Psychology program and click. You are then taken to a page that talks about the program. After five minutes of searching, you finally find a link involving word admissions. It does not, however, have the application, because this is about getting admitted, not about applying, two obviously separate things.

So you hit the back button and begin combing the page for a link. Aha! There are many links, and one says it is the link to the graduate application. It is, however, actually a link back to the graduate school page that says that the graduate application is available from the department.

Back button again. Another link. A different page that eventually links you back to the one you started from. That says that the graduate application is available from the department. This time the back button doesn't work, so you are forced to re-log in to the University's webpage and go through all 16 steps again. Try to sort the last link you see, and the application is beginning to load when the computer crashes.

So you try giving the department a call. Maybe they will send you a paper application. The receptionist picks up, and you politely request a paper application.

There is a pause. "A what?"

"We don't have paper applications."

"They're all online now. It's much more convenient. Just check the website."

And she hangs up.

Now, if you're smart you're applying to graduate schools because even then, with your top estimate of a 5 percent acceptance rate, you only have a 53.7 percent chance of being accepted anywhere at all, with a 46.3 percent chance of being accepted in the immediate aftermath of graduation. So you have to do this hide-and-seek with 15 different graduate applications.

You also have to do it again with 15 different departmental applications, because you have to apply to both the graduate school itself and the department. Apparently departments are not capable of good choices about who to let into their program.

I guess the grad schools are worried that the department will be overwhelmed by great research records or fabulous essays that they will fail to notice students. Perhaps if the departments were left to their own devices they would accept 6 or even 8 percent of the applicants, and then where would the University be? I'm really worried about getting into grad school, though. My family never throws anything away, and I know for a fact that they have very large boxes in our garage. Maybe my parents will give me one for graduation.

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MOVIE REVIEW

‘Lord of the Rings’ schmaltzy but visually stunning

By C. SPENCER BEGGS
Some Movie Critic

The second installment of Peter Jackson’s adaptation of J.R.R. Tolkien’s saga of the struggle for Middle Earth, “The Two Towers,” follows in its predecessor’s footsteps and sets a new standard in fantasy films and seamless CGI integration.

“The Towers” continues mild Hobbit Frodo Baggins’ quest to return a ring of evil to the fires of the volcano in which it was forged and destroy its evil legacy forever. Separated from his fellowship of protectors led by the dauntless Aragorn (Viggo Mortensen), Frodo and sidekick Sam Gamgee (Sean Astin) are menaced by the evil wizard Saruman (Christopher Lee) and his monstrous Uruk-Hai warriors.

Jackson’s artistry using cutting edge computer-generated images really shows its teeth in “Two Towers” with the addition of the all-CGI character Gollum, an emaciated and tormented former possessor of the ring. The digital Gollum plays a number of scenes in which his split personalities emerge to argue with each other; the effect is startlingly convincing.

Though Jackson has created a cinematic masterpiece, the movie eats up a good part of its three-hour runtime with stoic, John Woo-esque slow motion shots of its heroes looking bravely toward the endless throngs of advancing monsters. Such dashing heroics are expected in a fantasy epic, but with six of an estimated nine hours of the trilogy already will certainly be up for multiple Oscars this year.

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MOVIE REVIEW

‘Chicago’ paints the town red

By JACK WATKINS
Some Movie Critic

Critics have claimed that “Chicago” will revive the movie musical. Some have even called it the year’s best film. Others, closer to the mark, have called it the movie event of the year.

Whether the movie musical can really be revived is debatable, but the other claims are undeniable untrue: “Chicago” is neither this year’s best film nor biggest movie event. What it might be, though, is the most fun movie of the awards season.

Two women, sultry flapper Velma Kelly (Catherine Zeta-Jones) and straying housewife Roxie Hart (Renée Zellweger), have committed murder and vie for headlines, while paying sleazy lawyer Billy Flynn (Richard Gere) to get them out of jail.

“Chicago” has several great musical numbers, a fantastically talented supporting cast (Queen Latifah and John C. Reilly are the standouts) and a remarkably competent script, given that the musical was long considered to be inadaptable to film. The script has its flaws — a cast of fine actors should not be given such clichéd dialogue, and certain conventional themes are belabored — but it serves its purpose of linking the songs together coherently. The “Dancer in the Dark”-inspired strategy of turning the musical numbers into fantasy sequences achieves this admirably.

Director Rob Marshall deserves quite a bit of the credit for the success of the film. “Chicago” demands a garish, showy style. If Marshall had been more self-indulgent, he might have produced something akin to Baz Luhrman’s “Moulin Rouge,” which frequently had the effect, both musically and visually, of yelling in the audience’s face. Instead, Marshall has made sure that the showmanship in the musical numbers reflects the media’s glamorization of the female killers. This makes the film’s most garish moments also its most subtle.

“Chicago” may not be art, but it is enjoyable, and, after all, what more can we ask?

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Scene Movie Critic

It's said that good things come to those who wait. Well, moviegoers have been waiting 25 years for acclaimed director Martin Scorsese to finally get "Gangs of New York" through production. And it was certainly worth the wait.

The movie is a revisionist look at American history. Opening in 1846 in an underground labyrinth of the tenement slums of New York, an immigrant Irishman called Priest Vallon (Liam Neeson) gathers warriors to form the Dead Rabbits, a fearsome gang of ruthless Irish brawlers. Bursting into the daylight they meet their opponents, the Nativists, led by William "Bill the Butcher" Cutting (Daniel Day-Lewis).

The rivals settle with blood and iron which gang will control the ghetto they live in on the Lower East Side of Manhattan known as the Five Points. The melee turns against the Irishmen and the Butcher cuts down Vallon in front of his own son.

It will be 16 years before Vallon's son returns to the Five Points from hiding in a Protestant seminary. The young man (Leonardo DiCaprio) takes the name Amsterdam and returns to Five Points, which has fallen under the tyrannical iron fist and suspicious glass eye of the Butcher. The wily Amsterdam infiltrates the Butcher's organization and broods on his revenge even as his boss takes the boy under his wing. But draft riots, pressure from Boss Tweed's (Jim Broadbent) Tammany Hall and a developing romantic interest with a beguiling thief named Jenny (Cameron Diaz) complicate Amsterdam's certainly self-destructing scheme to murder the Butcher.

"Gangs of New York" is a dark movie and Scorsese seems to revel in it. Day-Lewis turns in a spectacular performance, delicately balancing the Butcher's animalistic bloodlust with a darkly cynical yet poignant philosophy and a deeply poetic sense of justice.

"At times the movie can seem a bit preachy, like in a scene where the Butcher slings a hatchet into the back of a newly elected Irish official and then screams manically into the camera, 'Here's the minority vote.'"

But this is exactly the effect Scorsese wanted. He points out that the history of America was founded partially on the poignant philosophy and a deeply poetic sense of justice. "Gangs of New York" ethereal ideals imbued with words such as freedom, liberty and equality but constructed corporeally with greed, crime and violence.

"Gangs" is historical fiction and Scorsese took great pains to paint the period broadly even down to the nitty gritty details like having an expert on vintage fighting techniques help choreograph the action sequences and rebuilding a number of New York neighborhoods.

With $100 million spent on details like these, Scorsese manages to make the film more of a hyper-realistic Kafkaesque impression of the period rather than a traditional historical portrayal. While venturing too far into the fictional realm of historical fiction is one of the best ways to ruin a perfectly good movie, Scorsese shows why he is often considered America's most talented living director by rewriting the rules of cinema.

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"Bill the Butcher" (Daniel Day-Lewis) and Jenny Everdeane (Cameron Diaz) embrace in "Gangs of New York."

Amsterdam Villon (Leonardo DiCaprio) struggles with his infatuation with the wily thief Jenny Everdeane (Cameron Diaz) as he seeks to avenge his father.

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Sixers snap 6-game streak with win over Nets

**Associated Press**

**PHILADELPHIA**

Keith Van Horn waited five months to play this game. It took him 31/2 quarters to show up.

Van Horn scored eight of his 16 points in the first 5:06, and Allen Iverson had 34 points, including five free throws in the last 1.5 seconds, helping the Philadelphia 76ers snap a six-game losing streak with a 108-107 victory over the New Jersey Nets on Wednesday night.

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Pierce had 95 points and 30 of Boston's first 14 points against Atlanta this season. Antoine Walker, who earlier this season had a triple-double against the Hawks, had 20 points and seven rebounds for Boston.

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"We just need to get back to winning our way," Walker said. "We had a rough road trip so we wanted to get off the bench.

But Boston opened up a 47-32 lead, its biggest of the first half with 1:08 remaining, courtesy of a pair of free throws by Pierce.

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Indianapolis 104, Miami 81

It wasn't a surprise that Jamison Brewer played in the fourth quarter. After all, that is a sure sign of an Indiana blowout victory.

But playing in the first quarter? That was a sign his extra practice was paying off.

Brad Miller scored 21 points and Ron Artest had 18 as the Pacers beat the Miami Heat 104-81 Wednesday night for their fifth straight victory.

The Pacers (28-10) are off to the best in their NBA history and improved to a league-best 17-1 at home. But with six of their previous seven games decided by five points or less - including three overtime games - coach Isiah Thomas said earlier this week he wanted a chance to reward the other players.

So he told Brewer he would play early, and he did, coming off the bench late in the first quarter.

All 12 players scored, and the starters rested the entire fourth quarter.

Brewer was happy to get those guys in the game," Thomas said. "Jamison is one of those guys who really been working hard behind the scenes and really trying to get his game together. I wanted to put him out there early so I could let him know that I respect what he's doing.

Brewer, Primoz Brezec and Fred Jones each scored two points.

The other day I helped a friend of mine get out. It's a bit easier than helping someone move.

It's just not the same without carrots made you drunk, rabbits

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Hey girls - it's just me again with a pair of free throws. As the third quarter came to a close, Bryant got the ball on a break and muscled the ball up into the hoop even as Wesley bear-hugged him. Bryant made the ensuing free throw and the Lakers led 74-69.
Hurricanes continue slide, lose 2-0 to Penguins

**Caron records first career shutout in win**

Associated Press

RALEIGH, N.C. Rookie goalie Sebastien Caron is making it look easy in net for the Pittsburgh Penguins. Then again, who isn't these days against the struggling Carolina Hurricanes.

Martin Straka scored in the first period and Caron recorded his first shutout in his third NHL game as the Penguins beat the defending Eastern Conference champions 2-0 Wednesday night.

Caron, who won his first start 2-1 at Boston on Monday night, stopped 26 shots against the Hurricanes, Carolina, which lost its fifth straight game, fell to 4-12-2-1 since Dec. 3.

The Hurricanes have been outscored 16-6 during their three-game losing streak.

"The bottom line for us is we're on the outside looking in and we have to understand that," Carolina captain Ron Francis said of the playoff picture. "We're on the outside looking in and we have to understand that, we've got to be aware of that and the urgency has to come from within our room," Carolina captain Ron Francis said of the playoff picture.

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After 6 seasons, Niners nix Mariucci

Associated Press

SANTA CLARA, Calif. Coach Steve Mariucci was fired by the San Francisco 49ers on Wednesday after years of growing division with owner John York. Just a few days after Mariucci's fourth trip to the playoffs in his six seasons ended in a 31-6 loss to Tampa Bay, York released Mariucci from the final year of his contract. The men hugged Wednesday morning after a 90-minute meeting at team headquarters. "It's a very emotional and unpleasant situation for both of them," general manager Terry Donahue said. "Dr. York has a very strong idea about how he wants the 49ers structured ... This is a philosophical split between what John wanted to do and what Steve wanted." According to Donahue, Mariucci wanted a bigger role in the 49ers' football decisions, including the position of vice president of football operations. But Mariucci's agent, Gary O'Hagan, said Mariucci never made those demands.

York and Mariucci had a phone conversation Monday that went poorly, and York flew from his home in Youngstown, Ohio, to California to complete the first coaching change since he took charge of the team in 1998.

The Jacksonville Jaguars have the NFL's only other coaching vacancy, and Mariucci was thought to be a prime candidate for the job. But Jaguars spokesman Dan Edwards said the team doesn't have any plans to interview Mariucci, and he isn't considered a candidate.

"I was as shocked as anyone else," Jaguars owner Wayne Weaver told The Associated Press. "His agent told us that Steve's interest right now is taking some time off and doing some broadcasting."

Dennis Green, who coached the Minnesota Vikings from 1992-01, is a logical candidate to replace Mariucci. Green was on 49ers consultant Bill Walsh's staff when Walsh was coaching the NFL team and Stanford.

Mariucci went 57-39 in San Francisco, with a remarkably brief rebuilding period sandwiched between four seasons of double-digit victories. This season, San Francisco went 10-6 and reclaimed the NFC West title before making the second-biggest comeback in NFL playoff history to beat the New York Giants 39-38.

But no matter the owner or the circumstances, ruthless firings are nothing new for an organization that always expects to add to its collection of five championships.

San Francisco parted ways in 1997 with George Seifert — who won two Super Bowls — after the 49ers lost in the second round of the playoffs.

For as much success as Mariucci had, Walsh and Seifert led San Francisco to a total of five Super Bowl championships, the first in 1982 and the most recent in 1995.

Mariucci made $2.1 million this season, 19th among the NFL's 32 head coaches and a bargain rate for a coach with his track record. But he angered the 49ers' front office last winter by campaigning for a new contract through the media, and then talking to Notre Dame and the Buccaneers about their vacancies.

Steve Mariucci grimaces during the 49ers' 39-38 victory over the New York Giants in San Francisco on Jan. 5. The 49ers fired the head coach on Wednesday, days after the team's 31-6 loss to Tampa Bay. Mariucci compiled a record of 57-39 with the 49ers.

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Major League Baseball

Whites Sox acquire Bartolo Colon

Associated Press

NEW YORK—Bartolo Colon was expected to be traded to the New York Yankees or Boston Red Sox, but was obtained by the Chicago White Sox in a complicated trade with the Montreal Expos.

Phelan to retire at end of season

Mount St. Mary's basketball coach Jim Phelan will retire after this season, following a remarkable 49-year career in which he amassed more than 800 wins.

The school called a press conference for noon Thursday, and Phelan will announce his decision to retire at that time, according to a source close to the school who spoke to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity.

No one has coached more college basketball games (1,339) over more seasons than Phelan, whose 824 career victories is the most among active coaches and fourth on the career list behind Dean Smith (979), Adolph Rupp (874) and Clarence "Big House" Gaines (828).

All but Gaines coached at least part of their careers at the Division I level.

Before beginning his 49th consecutive season at the Mount in November, the 73-year-old Phelan was asked what factors would go into his decision to retire.

"Sometimes, it's just time," Phelan said. "I'm not going for 50 years just for the sake of making 50. That's just a number. It just means I'm feeling old."

The Mountaineers are 5-7, a vast improvement over their 3-24 mark last season. Although The Mount had endured three straight losing seasons before the current one, there was no push for Phelan's dismissal.

Since his arrival at The Mount, Phelan has taken his team to the NCAA Tournament 16 times, including five trips to the Division II national semifinals. He led The Mount to the 1962 College Division title. After the school moved up to Division I in 1988, he guided the Mountaineers to the NCAA Tournament in 1995 and 1999.

Ferentz to stay at Iowa

Kirk Ferentz has decided to remain at Iowa as head football coach and will continue to pursue a job with the NFL's Jacksonville Jaguars.

Ferentz and Iowa athletic director Bob Bowlsby made the announcement Wednesday.

"The attention I have received regarding an NFL head coaching position with the Jacksonville Jaguars has been flattering, especially because I have the utmost respect for Wayne Weaver and the entire Jacksonville organization," said Ferentz. "However, my heart continues to lie with the University of Iowa, and I will remain the head coach of the Hawkeye football team."

Ferentz will receive an eight percent increase in salary. Ferentz's contract has been restructured and will take effect July 1. The restructuring of the contract permits primarily to incentive clauses.

"I am very pleased that we have been able to restructure Kirk's contract in a way that meets his needs as well as those of the University," said Bowlsby. "The increase which goes into effect on July 1st is additional recognition of the outstanding work he has done for our program."
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Cornette entered the game to neutralize the scoring threat of Wright and Lambrazza in the middle, and the 6-foot-9 sophomore all but eliminated the post threat of the Scarlet Knights, forcing them to the perimeter, where their weaknesses were exploited and the Irish were able to pull away.

“We’ve got to have a big guy who can guard another big man one-on-one,” Irish coach Mike Brey said. “Tom [Timmermans] and Torin [Francis] could not do that Tuesday, but we found a big guy who could — Jordan certainly could. I think Jordan has played that role for us. He likes to guard, he’s got a presence about that now.”

Using his long arms, quickness and awareness, Cornette blocked eight shots and grabbed seven rebounds in 33 minutes of play. He even made a couple of nice assists, one on a crosscourt pass that found Carroll wide open for a 3-pointer in the corner and another on a blind pass to Torin Jones beneath the basket that finished the play with a momentum-grabbing jam.

But if Notre Dame, new 14-2 and 2-1 in conference play, is to remain successful, it’s going to need to see the solid performances out of Timmermans and Francis on a regular basis. Even though Cornette has played well in that capacity through the first half of the season, Timmermans and Francis are the big bodies at that position and they are the ones who will likely be looked toward to stop a Sweeney or an Okafor type of a defense, and we’re starting to prove that Wednesday night before the middle en route to another two points.

“We have the presence to be a physical team,” Timmermans said. “We can bang with them, and we can rebound with them and everything. I don’t think it’s really a challenge; we just have to go out there and do it.”


HOCKEY

Senior named finalist for award

• Wroblewski is one of 15 finalists

Special to The Observer

Notre Dame hockey standout John Wroblewski (Sr., Neenah, Wis.) has been selected as one of 15 finalists for the college hockey Humanitarian Award. The award is presented every year to college hockey’s finest citizen for their contributions to society in all areas.

This is the eighth year for the award that will be presented on April 11, 2003 in Buffalo, N.Y., at the NCAA men’s ice hockey championships.

Wroblewski is a senior alternate captain for the Irish. He is in the midst of his best season ever as he is tied for second on the Notre Dame scoring list with 10 goals and 12 assists for 22 points in 22 games. He has turned in career-highs in assists (12), points (22) and power-play goals (4) so far this season.

Off the ice, Wroblewski has been involved with Notre Dame athletics community service programs since joining the team in 1999. He is a member of the team’s five-man leadership committee and was the team organizer for Notre Dame’s ‘Buddy Walk’ to benefit kids with Down Syndrome last September. He has also participated in the other various university sponsored community service projects including Christmas in April, the team’s annual Power Play Run/Walk, and the team’s annual Christmas party with local cancer patients.

ND WOMENS TENNIS

Three players travel to Las Vegas tourney

Special to The Observer

LAS VEGAS Three Notre Dame women’s tennis players will participate in one final individual tournament this weekend before the team opens its dual-match slate next Wednesday, Jan. 22, versus Western Michigan at 4:00 p.m. in the Eck Tennis Pavilion.

Senior captain Katie Cunha and freshman Kelly Nelson will both compete in both singles and doubles in the UNLV Invitational, while junior Caylan Leslie will play singles in her return to the court for the first time in 14 months after recovering from a shoulder injury. The tournament runs Friday-Sunday.

Cunha and Nelson will be teaming together for the first time in doubles. The first-year player will try to continue the success she had in her first collegiate fall, when she led the Irish in singles victories with a 12-5 mark, including the gold flight singles title in the Eck Classic.

Cunha, who led the Irish in clinching victories (six singles, six doubles) a year ago, was 6-4 in the fall in doubles play and advanced to the round of 16 in the Omni Hotels Midwest Championships.

Leslie, who was 30-12 as a freshman playing mostly No. 4 singles in 2000-01, was expected to play near the top of the Irish lineup a year ago, but suffered a shoulder injury in late fall and missed the entire spring season after undergoing surgery. Her last collegiate appearance was in November 2001 when she was 3-0 in the Eck Classic, playing only in doubles. Leslie’s last singles match was Oct. 19, 2001, when she dropped a close three-set decision to Anita Loyd of USC at No. 4 singles in an exhibition dual match.

The UNLV Invitational will serve as a last-minute replacement for the National Collegiate Tennis Classic, which was cancelled earlier this week due to sponsorship complications. All the players originally committed to that tournament will instead participate in the UNLV invitational, making it a prestigious event featuring competitors from many of the top teams across the nation.

The Irish players will participate in a 32-player singles draw and a 16-team doubles bracket, all contested on hard courts at the Trask & Vicky Ferrita Tennis Pavilion at UNLV and the Red Rock Country Club.

Weather permitting, many matches will be contested outside, giving the Irish a head start on adjusting to outdoor hard courts, on which the NCAA championships are contested, though Notre Dame may not compete on them again until a road trip in mid-March, leaving most of their early-season matches indoors.

Notre Dame, 22nd in the preseason national rankings, returns five letterwinners from last year’s team that finished 14-14 and 23rd in the nation.

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SMC BASKETBALL

Hornets defeat Belles, 60-53

By HEATHER VAN HOEGARDEN
Sport Writer

Going into Wednesday's game, both Saint Marys and Kalamazoo had a lot on the line, as each team looked to go over the .500 mark in conference play.

From the start of their game Wednesday night at Saint Marys, both teams played intense man-to-man defense. The Hornets man-to-man press kept the Belles guards on their toes, but Saint Marys's put up a fight before falling just short in a 60-53 loss.

Saint Marys's forward Emily Creachbaum established herself early, netting seven points in the first nine minutes. However, Kalamazoo forward Amanda Weishuhn and Ashley Riley answered every bucket with one of her own.

"We have to come in tomorrow and be ready to practice with intensity. Our games will only be as intense as our practices," said Suzanne Bellina, coach.

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SMC SWIMMING

Belles perform well over semester break

By ERIK POWERS
Sport Writer

The Saint Mary's swim team was traveling and racing across the country the past couple of weeks. The Belles competed in a pair of meets over winter break with mixed results.

"We knew that Kalamazoo was a stronger team this year... This was going to be a major battle," said Greg Petcoff, coach.

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CLARE O'BRIEN

JUMBLE

That scrambled word game
by Henri Arnold and Mike Argirion

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1 Old ship's cargo
2 Like saddle horse
3 Or to a stray
4 Mars Pathfinder, for one
5 Research papers, abbr.
6 Tennis's Mandelkova
7 Neighbor of a Turk
8 Center of Catholicism
9 Extra, in ads
10 Neighbor of a 26 R-V interior?
11 Slab or plate
12 "Yadda, yadda, ...

DOWN
1 Role played by everyone, it's said
2 "Salivuous" author
3 Got around
4 Follow-up: Abb.
5 Instant
6 Four years, maybe
7 Looking down from
8 Bikini women
9 Puts into position, in a way
10 Altel's cousin
11 Detroit's fountain
12 Yadda, yadda, yadda
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Taurus (April 20-May 20): It's a good listener and you will gain respect. It may not be apparent today, but in the long run, you will discover that the more you do for others, the more you will get back in return. ****

Gemiini (May 21-June 20): Although opportunities to make financial gains are evident, you mustn't take on too much of a burden in the process. Don't let someone put pressure on you. ****

Cancer (June 21-July 22): You'll feel guilty today.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): You will experience difficulties if you are working with others today. Be extra careful not to ruffle feathers or push others into doing things your way. Pitch in and do the best you can. **

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Financial gains can be yours if you are willing to push a little harder and invest yourself for a change. Don't pay for others' mistakes.****

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You may take things the wrong way today. Refrain from making statements that you'll regret later. Ask for help and guidance before making a decision. **

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): You will get the cold shoulder if you have not been doing your share. Listen to the complaints of others and assure those around you that you will do your best.****

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): If you find yourself in a difficult financial position because you haven't been saving money, it's never too late to start. You can cut yourself a break by setting up a strict budget. ***

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Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): You may want to lay low today. Difficulties with the people you are dealing with may be disconcerting. You need to spend time sorting out your own life. **

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20): Check out the possibilities for the upcoming weekend. You should be making plans early on to see if you won't be disappointed. Don't let by the world. *****

Birthday Baby: You will be sensible, caring and always there for others. You will make decisions based on all sides of any issue. You will help those less fortunate and you'll be highly regarded for your kindness and generosity.


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**Mens Basketball**

**Banging around in the Big East**

- Irish must get physical inside against strong conference foes

By CHRIS FEDERICO

Through much of Notre Dame's preconference season, the story for the Irish had been perimeter players and ball handlers such as guards Chris Thomas and Matt Carroll and forward Dan Miller. But as Notre Dame's season transfers into the very physical Big East play, the focus of the team's style of play, especially on the defensive side, may need to shift as well.

"I think nonconference is nothing like the Big East," Irish forward Jordan Cornette said after his eight-point, eight-block performance in Notre Dame's Tuesday night victory over conference rival Rutgers. "The Big East is one of those special conferences where a lot of games are won in the paint."

The Big East Conference in basketball is much like the Big Ten used to be in football. There is often nothing very fancy about the style of play. Two teams line it up and shoot it out, and whoever has the bigger guys generally wins.

The unassuming heroes of those football games are the offensive linemen. They are the guys doing all of the dirty work, scrapping it out in the middle and getting almost no credit.

In the Big East, the centers and power forwards — the big uglies in the middle, the offensive linemen of the hardwood — are the ones who have the biggest impact.

As the Irish enter their conference schedule, it will be up to their big men like Torin Francis, Tom Timmermans and Cornette to control some of the better big men in the college game such as Georgetown's Mike Sweetney, Connecticut's Emeka Okafor and Syracuse's Carmelo Anthony and Hakem Warrick.

In its Big East opener against No. 5 Pittsburgh, Notre Dame's vulnerability in the middle became obvious as the Scarlet Knights' Herve Lamizana and Kareem Wright dominated play in the middle for much of the first half.

But a big defensive change in the second half showed the Irish would not be dominated on their own floor, and that they can hustle it out with some of the bigger bodies in the Big East.

"We don't want to be a team known as the pretty boys in the Big East who can just knock down a jump shot," Cornette said. "Teams out there have to know that that is not the only facet of our game. We're a heck of a bunch of well-built kids out there — every day we go out and play with that mental toughness and we want to show that we can compete on that level."

Jordan Cornette
Irish forward

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Tom Timmermans reaches to block Kareem Wright's shot during Notre Dame's victory over Rutgers on Tuesday.

**Cancelled tournament means no Vegas**

- Irish will face Indiana at home next week

By JOE LINDSEY

Sports Writer

Six members of the 27th-ranked men tennis team were planning on beginning their spring season in Las Vegas this weekend. Instead, they will wait until Indiana comes to the Eck Tennis Pavilion on Jan. 24 at Notre Dame.

The health problems of the organizer of the National Collegiate Tennis Classic forced the cancellation of the tournament, which was supposed to include some of the nation's best talent.

"It's a disappointment, but you move on," Irish head coach Bobby Bayliss said. Three sets of the players' parents already have nonrefundable airline tickets to Las Vegas.

Bayliss said. Some of the teams who were to participate tried to "throw up a shake-and-bake tournament at UNLV," Bayliss said, but the Irish opted not to participate. Instead, they have added another national tournament to their schedule — the Pacific Coast Doubles, held in La Hoya, Calif., on Feb. 28. However, this weekend's loss could turn out to be Notre Dame's gain next week.

"It gives us a little more time indoors to prepare for our opening match with Indiana," Bobby Bayliss
Irish coach

Bayliss said. The reason Bayliss wanted to participate in the Tennis Classic was to give some of his best players the opportunity to play against other collegiate stars, but he acknowledged that moving from indoor practice to outdoor play with only one day of preparation would have been a "difficult task."

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**SMC Swimmimg**

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Belles fail to upset conference opponent over weekend.

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The Belles fall to 5-9 with loss to the Hornets.