Report: Davie is new Irish head coach

By TIM SHERMAN
Sports Editor

The winds of change surrounding the now-vacant Notre Dame coaching situation are swirling again. This time, they are swirling in the direction of current Irish defensive coordinator Bob Davie. Even with the James Preller-led media outlet to break the story that Lou Holtz would be stepping down, reports last evening that Davie will likely soon be named as the 28th coach in Notre Dame history.

Reporter Keith Olbermann cited "a Notre Dame program" that indicated Notre Dame wanted to make a decision soon and that the decision will be Davie. Just 24 hours ago, it was widely assumed that Northwestern head coach Gary Barnett would be named the new coach. Notre Dame officials had contacted Barnett and it seemed the job was his for the taking. But it was never taken, and quite possibly, never offered.

"I am very humbled and flattered that Notre Dame has asked me to be a candidate for their head coaching football position," Barnett said in a released statement. "However, for very personal and private reasons, I have informed Notre Dame officials that I wish not be considered as a candidate. Regardless of the rumors, an offer was never extended to me by Notre Dame. This is all I will say about the matter."

University administrators offered little detail, other than the timing of the process. "Our search continues to go well," reported Athletic Director Mike Wadsworth. "Nothing has changed in the course of our search. We said we wanted to make a decision by the first week in December and we are on course, if not making better time."

Davie wasn't so concerned about the timing as he is about the end result of the situation.

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Friday Feature

A loyal son marches on

Saturday's band performance will cap a senior's return from losing a leg to cancer

By RUSSELL WILLIAMS
Assistant News Editor

When watching the Band of the Fighting Irish during this weekend's Rutgers game, pay special attention to the saxophone players. That is where you'll find Kurt Weiss, a senior from North Hills, Pa., who has displayed tremendous amounts of courage and tenacity in battling bone cancer. He later fulfilled his dream of marching with the Notre Dame band despite having a prosthetic right leg.

As a freshman in high school in 1989, Weiss was diagnosed with osteogenic sarcoma, or bone cancer. He was a member of his football, basketball, and swimming teams. After physical education class one day in May 1989, he noticed that his shins were aching. Displaying what he describes as the "jock mentality," he dealt with the pain for about one month until his mother finally forced him to seek medical treatment. "The cancer was very well-progressed. By the time we found it, it had spread to my lungs," Weiss said, adding that doctors informed him he'd be lucky to live five more years.

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Tensions surrounding freshmen flyers ease

By CAROLINE BLUM
Saint Mary's Editor

It was only an oversight. Or at least that's what the freshmen class council at Saint Mary's and Notre Dame will remember. Some women noticed the signs posted in Notre Dame dorms as they walked out of church. Others saw the flyers posted in their own dorms, while still others heard about them by word of mouth.

"My father was over at P.E. visiting my cousin," Saint Mary's junior Courtney Reagan said. "He saw the signs before I did. He ripped it down and showed it to me. I knew it was just a joke, but I'm not sure he did." But where or when students saw the posters advertising a bonfire sponsored by the freshmen classes at Notre Dame and Saint Mary's, most of the reactions were the same. Shock.

The flyers posted in the Notre Dame female dorms, created by the Notre Dame freshman class council, read "Hey freshmen girls: fight back. Don't let the SMG girls take all your guys. Come to the bonfire at 9:30 and reclaim your men."

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Three Years Ago...

...Game of Century left lasting memories for Class of 1997

By MATTHEW LOUGHRAN
Assistant News Editor

On Nov. 13, 1993, the Class of 1997, as freshmen, watched what the media had billed as the "Game of the Century." Despite the three years passed since that contest against Florida State University, many students say no game has come close in intensity and excitement.

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Schedule of Events

Friday, November 22

9-11 a.m. The Alumni Hospitality Center welcomes all Alumni and Friends

9:30 a.m. Pom Pom Squad (9:30) and Cheerleaders (9:15) Performances

10-11 a.m. ND Air Force ROTC Color Guard

10-10:30 a.m. Shamrocks Performance, Huddle Club, Saint Mary's women's basketball, and Notre Dame women's basketball, Notre Dame vs. Michigan, Notre Dame vs. Wisconsin, and Notre Dame women's basketball vs. Wisconsin.

10:30-11:45 a.m. Jam Club - Notre Dame is in Review

11:11-12:15 p.m. Marching Band Pre-game Show at the Stadium

12:15-1 p.m. Marching Band Post-game Show at the Stadium

JACC Arena, enter Gate 10, Joyce Center, North Dome, Main Building (Step off at 11:45), and Notre Dame Stadium.

Sunday, November 24

11 a.m. Men's Interhall Football

12 p.m. Women's Interhall Football

1 p.m. Men's Soccer vs. Wisconsin (2nd round NCAA)

1:30 p.m. Women's Basketball vs. Marquette

Joyce Center, North Dome, Main Building (Step off at 11:45), and Joyce Center, North Dome.

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Multi-purpose ID card still in planning stages

By HEATHER COCKS
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Notre Dame may radically change its ID card system in future semesters.

Though nothing concrete has been established, a special committee has undertaken the specific task of devising an "all-campus card," a concept which could open up numerous possibilities for Notre Dame students.

The ultimate ideal is to develop a card which serves not just as a student ID, but as a detention, meal card, and a debit card of sorts.

"Nothing is clear yet," Dave Prentkowski, director of Food Services, said. "A lot of it depends on finding a company that provides a system which is integratable with the existing campus system."

Fellow committee member and assistant registrar Pam Johnson said, "Right now, we're sifting through proposals from various companies, but we haven't found the perfect one."

Prentkowski said that, to an as-yet undisclosed degree, The Huddle would begin accepting the revamped ID cards, using a special account system. Arguably the most relevant change for students, it would allow them to buy snacks at the convenience store or food from the fast-food bars.

"Basically, we want to increase the flexibility of the entire meal plan," he said. "Feedback indicates that people want the option of using their cards at other times, not just the three standard meal times."

Prentkowski stressed his desire to make the dining halls as easy and accessible as The Huddle, citing the addition of "Grab-n-Go" as a successful step in that direction. "People can eat from the dining halls during the 'off hours' if they can't make it there at the usual time," he said.

His biggest concern was the limited seating capacity of LaFortune. "It is just not designed for the volume of people."

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Renovation stays on track

By DEREK BETCHER
Assistant News Editor

On Saturday, ten scaled-down weeks of stadium renovation will come to an end along with the home football season. Full paced construction will resume the following Monday with the goal of finishing the new Notre Dame Stadium before the 1997 season opener.

Although progress slowed to accommodate Saturday's crowd, construction supervisors noted that not only was their full productive, but the stage has been set for winter work that will bring the renovation to completion.

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"That's going great guns right now," Wyant remarked.

Demolition work, centering around the old scoreboards, original parapet, and interior concourse floors will represent the greatest pick up in activity, though.

Finally, Wyant anticipates major strides in renovation work, where portions of the original stadium are razed and replaced. As an example, he told of plans to remove existing concrete floor and asphalt so that foundation and plumbing work can proceed unimpeded.

Currently Castel has 175 workers on site, and 30 to 35 more are expected in coming weeks to help handle the expanded operations.

There's just a lot of people pushing in the same direction," Smith noted.

The stadium expansion project is expected to be finished for next season's Sept. 6 home opener against Georgia Tech.

Filling in Notre Dame Stadium's press box shed will be one of several projects Castel Construction plans to tackle this winter.
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Wohlberg’s public apology in the Nov. 20 issue of The Observer eased the situation. In the apology, Wohlberg stated, “We thought we had designed a humorous and attention-grabbing flyer design that would create interest in the bonfire. We not only failed...at this attempt, but potentially created an intimidating environment while setting back gender relations at Notre Dame. The administration and student body at Saint Mary’s have accepted this apology, and we view Wohlberg’s gesture as whole-hearted and sincere.”

“He will make a great representative of the University,” Bert Berry said. “He may not have the quick jokes like Coach Holtz but he is morally upstanding. His track record speaks for itself.”

That record included a role as Holtz’s defensive coordinator since 1994 and a similar stint under your shirt.

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“The right decision will be made because I have the utmost confidence in the people making the decision,” Davie stated. “Fans shouldn’t worry about the timing. The bottom line is that they (University officials) make the right decision.”

If Davie is, in fact, the decision, “Davie stated. “We thought we had the timing. The bottom line is that...”
News Writer

By BILL UNIOWSKI

In addition to sweatshirts, T-shirts, hats and jackets, officialy licensed Notre Dame ice cream to your bookstore shopping list.

Ice cream? Bonnie Donn Ice Cream, headquarters in Elkhart, has released four new Notre Dame ice cream flavors. The flavors are available in pint containers.

“Tanya Lenko can’t get enough of Notre Dame ice cream,” said President John Cohosat, a 1976 Notre Dame graduate. “When we bought the company, I was observing how many different flavors of ice cream the companies were coming out with,” said President John Cohosat. “I thought it would be neat to try Notre Dame ice cream.”

In order to become an officially licensed product of the University, Bonnie Donn had to go through committees that approved the concepts. Following the initial committee, the company had to submit flavors and packaging, as well as pass strict quality standards.

The product has experienced moderate success thus far. “It sold really well, then fell off a little after a couple of losses,” Cohosat said, alluding to the Ohio State and Air Force football losses.

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ND expands licensing to new item: Ice cream

By BILL UNIOWSKI

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ND hockey players read to students at Mishawaka's North Side to community youths

ND athletes reach out to community youths

By ANNE HOSINSKI

This week, the students of North Side Elementary School in Mishawaka were treated with a few guest speakers — Notre Dame student athletes. The athletes volunteered their time to read stories to students in kindergarten through sixth grade, and speak about what it means to be a student athlete at Notre Dame.

The North Side School Read Week program ran this week in conjunction with National Read Week in schools throughout the country. Sponsored by the Athletic Department's Life Skills program, approximately 40 student athletes and coaches got a chance to make a difference in the lives of the children at North Side. The Life Skills program helps student athletes develop a balance between academics, athletics and community service.

According to Judy Harper, an administrator at North Side, the students were delighted with the athletes. "The children got so excited to meet the athletes," says Harper, "that they went crazy with autographs." Harper also noted that many of the kindergarteners got a treat when members of the ice hockey team stayed for recess and "had a good time playing on the monkey bars" with the children.

Frances Shavers, director of the Life Skills program, stressed that the athletes did more than just read to the students. They gave them insight on the entire college experience, not just athletics. They also spoke about the importance of reading, studying, and the benefits of staying in school. According to Shavers, this is only one of the few programs through the Life Skills program that teaches the lives of children in the Michiana area.

Carla Fornelos, a member of the Women's Lacrosse team, commented that the entire experience was a great time and that she would love to do it again. Fornelos read to sixth graders, and then gave them a lesson on the sport of Lacrosse, including drawing a diagram of the sport on the chalk board.

Chrissy Holmberg, a varsity swimmer, remarked that the fourth and fifth graders that she spoke to were especially responsive to her message. "The girls in particular," remarked Holmberg, "were responsive to the fact that I was a female athlete. It gave them more to relate to."

November, Figures estimated that hundreds of thousands journeyed to campus just to be near the game. ESPN broadcast their "GameDay" show from the Joyce Center, and every network was using the phrase "Game of the Century," to describe the contest.

"The game hype was phenomenal," Teegardin offered. "I've never had a campus so excited."

"I felt like we were going to win from the get-go," Joss said. "You could sense it in the air, and I think the players felt it too. It still gives me chills to remember."

Wooden's deflection ended the game and catapulted Notre Dame to the number one spot in the Associated Press polls. The football team lost that ranking the next week by losing to Boston College and has never regained the top position.

"The fans overlooked BC, we all thought that we were head and for a rematch in Phoenix," said Teegardin. "While it wasn't the end of the world, it was very disappointing. I was shocked to see that I'm on top of Grace Hall go out!"

"No one took the BC game seriously," said Joss. "It was seen as a pushover game — it was no Florida State. Ever since BC though, we have never been invincible like we were that day against FSU. Ninety-three was a perfect season and every other season... we were always playing catch-up."

"Our class didn't have any star players," Fleming said. "The hype about Ron Powlus, who was a passing quarterback in an option-oriented offense, brought the team down because he wasn't as good as everyone said he was going to be."

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"We have seen glimpses of the sort of intensity displayed, but never for an entire game," said Matt Joss, a senior in Commerce.

The last second had already ticked off the game clock when Charlie Ward, whose team trailed Notre Dame by a score of 31 to 24, threw a pass from the 14 yard-line to the end zone. The pass would have tied or won the game for FSU, but Notre Dame backup cornerback Shawn Wooden not jumped in the way.

The crowd erupted.

"I remember being in the aisle for that game and rushing down on the field," said Callie Teegardin, a senior from Farley Hall.

"I'm just glad I didn't get trampled," recalled Abigail Fleming, a Saint Mary's senior who lives off campus. "On the field, people were going nuts, trying to tear down the goalposts and jumping around."

"I was screaming so loud that I was about to pass out," said Joss. "Then we were down on the field, basking in the win."

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■ Correction

Laura Richter was misidentified as the former Residence Hall Association president. Monday's story "Illusimplements change, creates strong council" should have stated that Tara Hooper held the office last year.

The Observer regrets this error.

Results of the election for next year's Residence Hall Association office bearers are as follows:

President: Laura Richter
Vice President: Chris Simon
Secretary: Ashley Likeness
Treasurer: Lauren Faffect

The Student Council is made up of the following: President: Jason Hoopes, Vice President: Zachary Knecht, Treasurer: Lisa Johnson, Secretary: Amanda Hodgkins, Senior Vice President: Peter Mischak, Junior Vice President: Matt Joss, Sophomore Vice President: Luke Zaleski

The Residence Hall Association is made up of the following: President: Hector Miss, Vice President: Brian Bence, Treasurer: Onaide Davis, Secretary: Karina Varela, Senior Vice President: Francis Shave, Junior Vice President: Mike Rickard, Sophomore Vice President: Matt Myer.

The women's basketball team leaves for its next scheduled game against the Central Michigan Chippewas today. The women are currently 9-4 on the season and are working hard towards the end of the year. The men's basketball team leaves for its next scheduled game against the Central Michigan Chippewas today. The men are currently 7-6 on the season and are working hard towards the end of the year.

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Olmos shares struggles and success

The Saint Mary's College Women's Choir will host the 12th Annual High School Women's Choir Festival today, in the College Women's Choir.

For the hundreds of teenagers sitting spellbound in the auditorium of Washington High School Wednesday, the man on stage represented more than the Hollywood dream with which most stars have come to be associated.

"I'm not naturally gifted, I'm not naturally talented, I'm not smart and I'm not good looking," he claimed, speaking out over a crowd of students, parents and teachers.

"And I make $2 million a picture. Now how does that work out?"

While the audience erupted in laughter, they also grasped his message. The man speaking was famed Latino actor and dedicated humanitarian Edward James Olmos, who knows all too well the hard work and determination it took to make his career and life as successful as they have been.

He attributed it to his call to share his message with others.

"I get more out of this than the students do," he insisted, and stressed how important it was to give back to the community.

Olmos' message reflects his own life. He began giving free motivational speeches in high schools, immigrant camps, Indian reservations, and prisons in 1972 at the bequest of a teacher. A struggling actor at the time, he balked at the idea of talking to students about a life in the arts.

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He told of his early days of film acting and his day jobs as a cab driver, work as an electrician and work in a meat packing plant.

"I went into an acting class in my first year of college, not because I wanted to be an actor, but because I wanted to get rid of this problem of reading aloud," he said, revealing a history of dyslexia that often made it hard for him to speak in front of a class.

The acting class paid off; he just finished filming his role as father of slain Tejano superstar Selena in the soon-to-be-released film based on her life and is currently at work on Rain of Gold, a project that promises to be the first-ever Latino-themed mini-series to debut on network television.

But it is Olmos' social work that seems to matter most. Self-spoken in person, dynamic on stage, he yells, pantomimes, whistles and holds the audience captive but never fails to mention the importance of giving back what he counts himself blessed with. As an ambassador for UNICEF, Olmos has worked as an election supervisor in Poland, Bosnia and South Africa.

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At a stop at El Taco Tipico during the afternoon, the newest Mexican restaurant to open in the burgeoning Hispanic community on the west side, Olmos acknowledged the edge of Latino community over tortillas and cafe con leche. He talked with area leaders of the League of United Latin American Citizens in the area with the owner's seven-month-old granddaughter balanced on his knee, stopping for more photographs and signing menus.

Eventually, during his speech at Notre Dame Wednesday night, the actor used a phrase to describe his admiration for Mexican-American civil rights activist Cesar Chavez that suits him just as well.

"A saint is a person who has the courage to give and not ask anything in return," modestly and unassuming, Olmos has become the kind of person that does just that.
"It was very trying emotionally, spiritually, and physically," he said of the initial stages of his fight with the cancer. "But, my family is wonderful and helped a lot."

Weiss went through chemotherapy for over a year, but, the bone cancer had left his right leg severely damaged and it required drastic medical attention.

In 1989, Weiss underwent his first operation, a procedure called an allograft, to repair damage to his right leg. Weiss had given serious thought to attending Notre Dame since long before his battle with cancer. His older sister, Gretchen, is a 1988 graduate and a former member of the band that Weiss first visited the campus.

"I was hooked on Notre Dame after the first couple of football games," said Weiss. "I didn't think there was any other place in the world I wanted to go."

Once Weiss realized that his hope of continuing on with sports participation was over, he decided to focus on other interests, particularly the saxophone. In 1990, the Make-A-Wish Foundation of Western Pennsylvania contacted Weiss, and he expressed his desire to have a new tenor saxophone and to play with the Band Of The Fighting Irish. The organization fulfilled his wish, and as a high school sophomore Weiss played with the Notre Dame band in the 1990 Orange Bowl.

Despite a serious infection in his leg, Weiss enrolled at Notre Dame in the fall of 1992. He ran into more problems in October and was forced to withdraw for medical reasons. "My knee basically collapsed in mid-October of 1992," said Weiss, and he left school November 1 to go home and have more surgery and rehabilitation.

Weiss returned in the fall of 1993 and remained at Notre Dame for the rest of that academic year. Weiss spent most of the summer of 1994 undergoing surgical procedures and rehabilitating.

In 1994, Weiss had his first opportunity to fulfill his dream of actually marching with the band as a Notre Dame student, during the Navy game. Weiss marched in the following two games, including the USC game and the Fiesta Bowl game against Colorado.

Weiss returned for the 1995 year consuming anti-biotics to fight the infections in his right leg. Despite the difficulty and pain, Weiss marched with the band the entire football season. "I wanted to fulfill my duties as the president of the University Band, so I decided to march that year and put off more surgery," said Weiss.

The Alumni Hall resident was informed during the summer of 1995 that there was far too much damage to the leg and it required amputation. "The doctors told me that if I don't get it amputated, I could be in danger," Weiss said.

"Until I had no other options, I wanted to keep the leg." Ironically, Weiss marched in the Orange Bowl in 1996, the same place where he fulfilled his wish as a sophomore in high school. Following the game, Weiss went home and had surgery on Jan. 16 yet again to undergo amputation of the leg, and took off all of the Spring semester of 1996 to recover and adjust to life with a prosthetic limb.

"I went through a ridiculous amount of rehabilitation," said Weiss, describing the adjustment and rehabilitation period spent at Hemaville Rehabilitation Center.

Weiss set the lofty goal of being able to help me to learn how to march, jog, and ride a bike."
Student-run course generates excitement at SMC

By ANGELA CATALDO
News Writer

A new, student-run course being offered at Saint Mary’s next semester is causing a lot of excitement.

"Sister Madeleva Wolff, C.S.C. Catalyst for Contemporary Women’s Issues," is the first class in Saint Mary’s history to be initiated and led solely by students. Under the direction of Dr. Gail Mandell, the course will be taught by humanistic studies majors Abby Johnson, Janet Kelley and Ashley Ratcliffe.

Madeleva was the College’s president from 1954 through 1961 and was a visionary in women’s education. She was responsible for making Saint Mary’s one of the first residential institutions to be racially integrated. Also, at a time when only priests could receive a graduate degree in theology, she initiated a graduate theology program for women at Saint Mary’s. Madeleva not only challenged the integrity of the institution, but also changed the physical shape of the college. "She was responsible for the creation of the gardens and a great supporter of the building of Moreau," added Kelley.

Inspired by a lecture given by Mandell on Madeleva’s life, Johnson, Kelley and Ratcliffe began discussing the possibility of a class. "We found her life to be so exciting that it seemed natural that there be a class," said Kelley.

The students will have the class discuss the College in light of current women’s issues and how they relate to Madeleva’s vision of the College.

Mandell is proud of the students’ work:

"They are rephrasing her vision and interpreting it for a later generation, and by being visionaries themselves, they are continuing the tradition," Johnson, Kelly, Ratcliffe and Mandell all feel that it is important that the students of Saint Mary’s take this course. "For most people she (Madeleva) is just a building," said Mandell referring to the classroom building that bears Madeleva’s name, "and that is sad." What they hope is that by taking this course, students will realize the rich history from which their school stems and appreciate the environment in which they live, the education they receive and how the values expressed at the institution were shaped. "We’ve inherited that tradition (Madeleva’s) and don’t know what we’ve got," stated Mandell. Kelley agrees: "It is important to know where we come from in order to know where we are going. By understanding our history we can then strengthen our identity as a Catholic women’s college...and this will benefit everyone in the community."

The class is entirely experimental with all research being done by Johnson, Kelley and Ratcliffe as an independent study. Kelley believes that this in itself is an example of how Madeleva’s presence is still alive today. "The school has been extremely supportive of this experimental project. It just goes to show the power and the flexibility of an institution like Saint Mary’s. It is wonderful that we have been given this responsibility and received so much encouragement. I can’t imagine finding it anywhere else."

As a guide, the students are using one of Mandell’s published lectures to lead the class. The lecture on Madeleva’s life and work titled, “One Woman’s Life,” was one part in a series of lectures sponsored by the College. Also being used as a reference, a manuscript of Madeleva: A Biography, by Madeleva which is in print now and will be available in soft cover and hard back in the late spring.

Mandell dreams that the class will eventually become a course for first year students which is taught by seniors as a "way to initiate the students into the college." Students of all majors and from Notre Dame are encouraged to register for the course, not only humanistic studies majors. "It is important that all fields are represented in order for the course to be beneficial. We must have many voices," said Kelley. The class is a one credit course and will be held on Mondays. As for next semester’s schedule, the students have not made any decisions concerning the course should be directed to the Saint Mary’s humanistic studies department at 284-4465.

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**EDITORIAL**

Holtz departure timely, leaves shoes to fill

At some point in the last three years, we all said it. At some point in the last three years, we all thought about it. It is time for Lou Holtz to step down. And yet as we realize set in, as we crowded around our TV's Tuesday afternoon and watched him say it, we could not help but feel sorrow in our hearts. It was referred to a "safetley net". And as we turn the page of the book of Notre Dame football history, we will remember Lou Holtz as a symbol of all that represents Notre Dame.

Holtz has never been one for self-aggrandizement. In fact he is known for his lack of ego. He has always been more concerned with the success of the team he coaches. He has always been more concerned with the welfare of his players. He has always been more concerned with the development of young professionals. He has always been more concerned with the development of young leaders.

But we do. And the successor has some big shoes to fill. The now-famous Lou Holtz Masks which benefitted the South Carolina Gators. The masks which benefitted the University of Notre Dame. Holtz' s record speaks for itself, but one of the more special moments in Notre Dame football history is the "Masks". But we do. And the successor has some big shoes to fill. Holtz has never been one for self-aggrandizement. In fact he is known for his lack of ego. He has always been more concerned with the success of the team he coaches. He has always been more concerned with the welfare of his players. He has always been more concerned with the development of young professionals. He has always been more concerned with the development of young leaders.

**GUEST COLUMN**

ACE provides educational experience for all participants

The "ACE Gators"? asked the cashier. "Um, I'm going to need to see a driver's license with this check here... You're from California?" How and why did you end up here in Napoleonville, Louisiana? I, too, often wonder why I and the three other ACE Gators arrived at the rural, southern Louisiana town. Because EVERYTHING here in the Bayou is referred to as either "Gator" this or "Cajun" that, we at ACE Napoleonville decided, as our checking account testifies, to name ourselves the "ACE Gators."

Since that time not only have we increased this town's population from 800 to 804 and turned heads with license plates from Colorado, Oregon, and Washington, but we have sparked many questions beyond those of the perplexed cashier: "Why Napoleonville?"

How we got here is easy to answer in one sense. Napoleonville is just one of the many new sites where The Alliance for Catholic Education (ACE), now in its third year of service, places teachers throughout the Southern United States. While it may not resemble the quaint place our Southern friends have come to know as Napoleonville, this small town of 880 people will have indeed marked us with a strong sense of place. It does, but Covington occupies a kind of interstice in our experience for all participants.

While we find ourselves enjoying life after college in service with ACE for two years here in Napoleonville, we are still in between places in our development as teachers and as individuals. When the four ACE Gators return to their four cities in four different states, this small town of 800 people will have indeed marked us with a strong sense of place. I only hope the next time I am asked "Why Napoleonville?" I can begin to give a sufficient answer.

Ann Strehler is a 1996 Notre Dame graduate currently participating in the The Alliance for Catholic Education.

**QUOTE OF THE DAY**

"A ll farewells should be peculiarly sad, but none more so than the one which must be paid to an old friend with whom you have shared the comforts and the difficulties of life, and who has been your companion in your most trying hours."

—George Gordon, Lord Byron
Dear Coach Holtz:

During the past eleven years the names of Notre Dame and Lou Holtz have become synonymous with each other. Over the past eleven years you have grown with the University, and the University has grown with you. As stated earlier, you have enjoyed your stay at the University; well, I'm sure I speak for all when I say that the University has enjoyed your stay.

Coach Holtz, I have grown up over the past eleven years, becoming not only a Notre Dame fan, but also a Lou Holtz fan. Lou Holtz is a class act individual. In being one of the most visible teachers on campus and around the country, you put yourself in a position where what you said and did affected the entire campus. However, you have never done anything to compromise the values that you believe in nor the values that the University believes in. You talk of how the Notre Dame football team is a class act.

This campus is one entire family, and like any other family, we like to see a cohesive plan of things to accomplish in life. Dedication can be seen in the students attending class, members who stay the extra ten minutes after class to help others understand. But I with mournful tread,

0 Captain! My Captain! Fies up and hear the bells;

But I with mournful tread,

0 the bleeding drops of red,

And God Bless you. Before, Sir, take care of yourself, and God Bless you. Before.

This occurred within the jurisdiction of the British officials in what we could today fairly describe as crimes against human- 

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and landowners. The Nazis exterminated the Kulaks by violent extermination, but also by culpable indifference.

Not the soup kitchens, access to food, work, schools, and medical care were redundant in their native land, 

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were substantial resources of food which... could have been diverted, even as a short-term measure, to supply a starving people. Instead, the government pursued the objective of economic, social and agrarian reform as a long-term aim, although the price paid for this ultimate... goal was privation, disease, emigration, mortality and an enduring legacy of disenchantment... (Kinealy, This Great Calamity (1994, 323, 359)

The localized shortages that followed in Ireland rather than by interventionist ideology and compounded by disease for the Irish as a whole...

A New York law and the New Jersey Commission on Irish Famine... have recently mandated inclusion of the Famine as an example of genocide in the high school curriculum in all public and private schools of those states. According to New Jersey Congressman Bob Menendez, who introduced a federal law to require Famine education, "The Irish famine teaches an important lesson on issues of intolerance, and inhumanity and the indifference of the British Government to the plight of the mass starvation of one million people."

The Genocide Convention, approved by the United Nations in 1948, provides the first juridically codified definition of genocide which has been a source of guidance throughout history. Obviously, the Convention is not itself applicable to the Irish famine which occurred a century before. But British policies in the Famine could seriously be argued to fulfill the Convention’s definition of genocide as including “any of the following acts committed with intent to destroy, in whole or in part, any national, ethnical, religious or other group, as such:”

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8. Causing serious bodily or mental harm to members of the group;

9. Deliberately inflicting on the group conditions of life calculated to bring about its physical destruction in whole or in part;

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Drum Majors

By JACKIE MARTINEZ
Accent Copy Editor

I t's just minutes before game time. Ahead lies a blurred sheet of blue and gold spotted with the laboriously sketched signs of "WE LOVE YOU, LOU!" and "GO IRISH!" Behind stands a polished, stone-faced wall of over 300. As the attention whirle blows, out of the tunnel arises the Band of the Fighting Irish led by the gleaming white facade of the joined trio we call the drum majors.

The first ones to charge onto the field and into the house that洛克基 built, it is the drum majors whose first steps trigger the wave of gusher yelling that escalates to a thundering roar heard throughout the campus as they approach the goal line. In addition to their crowd-pleasing cadence and hike step however, the responsibilities of a drum major extend far beyond great footwork.

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However after this year, Wojcikiewicz says he'll never forget "the feeling of going out there and being the first on the field with all of that field ahead and the crowd yelling.

Assistant Drum Major, also an Assistant Drum Major, shares Wojcikiewicz's excitement in holding such an esteemed position in the band's overall makeup. Dell'Oso's responsibilities include taking the latest dance moves and incorporating them into a halftime show that keeps the fans coming back for more.

Dell'Oso points out that, "A lot of times, the students don't get to give much input (on the band's performance except for with the dance."

As Assistant Drum Majors, Wojcikiewicz and Dell'Oso conduct the traditional pre-game performance for the stadium with throngs of Notre Dame fans on its heels. So the next time you gaze upon the field and find yourself wondering about those in tall white hats with maces in their bands, on which every band member's eyes are fixed, they are the true and proud. They are the Band of the Fighting Irish drum majors.

Concessions

By LESLIE FIELD
Accent Copy Editor

A s this historical season-ending home game nears, it's time to pay tribute to the people behind the great eats surrounding the stands. They are there at 5 a.m. preparing for the 59,000 fans who will, undoubtedly, get the halftime munchies.

Notre Dame Stadium sells 60,000 of their best-selling food items, the illusive hot dog, per game. That's 1,011 hot dogs per hungry fan. And Oscar Meyer's claim to fame is only the beginning of Notre Dame Stadium's concession menu. After all, what is a hot dog without a Coke to wash it down?

According to Fred Kraus, Stadium Operations Concession Manager, not much. "What really gets mind-boggling is the amount of liquids we go through; a million ounces per game," he said. "Can't beat the feeling.

And for those fans who must have their traditional gameday popcorn, the stadium addition will include a room dedicated to you, guessed it, popcorn, popcorn and more popcorn. "We sell as much popcorn as we can make," Kraus said. This addition will be a great help in keeping the popcorn coming to all of the twenty one inside concession stands, seven outdoor concession trailers and the portable unit as well.

Hot pretzels will also grace the stadium next year. (Always good with mustard.)

And on hot days, the Ben and Jerry's peace pops are a big seller. The cookie dough ice cream is nearly impossible to keep in stock. This year, the expected ice cream sales near $60,000. Unfortunately, hot chocolate replaced the Lemon Chills and English Toffee Crunch, as the warm weather was cut short by an unexpected cold snap. It was bought in $14,000, which still seem like solid earnings to most people.

With millions of ounces being dispensed and thousands of dogs being doted out, there has to be an efficient and brave staff of workers. There are 400 volunteers and seventy five paid workers. The volunteers are given a percentage of the total amount of money earned from the game at which they worked. They, in turn, take that money back to the organization they represent. "If they have a tax-exempt organization they can make around thirteen hundred dollars in a day," Kraus commented. And 200,000 is given back from food sale profit at the end of each football season.

"We have a bigger per capita than anyone else in this region. The only time any other school comes close is during hot games when cold beverages are the biggest sellers. We are the leader, thanks to our great fans," Kraus said.
No tributes, just memories

This is not a eulogy. Only a few memories. One man's images. My images. Images that will only be memories in three short games. As Lou Holtz, coach, has his final game this Saturday at Notre Dame Field, he must continue to do what he does best; motivating people to achieve some end. There was no media build a team in the classroom.

Lou Holtz, the Fighting Irish head coach, leaves the Notre Dame campus as his team's play this season. Lou Holtz is just a man. A man made successful by the Alliance for Catholic Education (ACE) program. The keynote speaker did not directly discuss the program, but broader issues. Issues such as the importance of teaching. Why discipline is necessary in the classroom. As his team's play this season. Les Brown's departure was as mysterious as his team's play this season. He was the duck who is exiting. Les Brown walked out the door and certainly not as athletic director Michael Wadsworth closed it behind him. As a great speaker and a tremendous motivator, Irish head coach Lou Holtz is more than one of the most successful coaches in college football history. He has won more games than he lost. He has three short games. As his team's play this season. His is not a eulogy. Only a few memories. One man's images. My images. Those are not my memories. My memories are of him making as much of a difference off the field as on it.

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**Key Matchup**

With three consecutive games of over 300 yards rushing, the Notre Dame offensive attack is playing its best football of the season. Autry Denson needs just 97 yards to reach the 1000 yard plateau for the first time. Backup Randy Kinder is out with a separated shoulder, but Robert Farmer has been on a roll, running for a career-high 140 yards in the win over Pittsburgh. Fullback Jamie Spencer responded well in his first career start last week.

The key to success for the Scarlet Knights will rest on their ability to stop the run. Defensive tackle Russh Swiger has been outstanding for Rutgers, leading all Big East linemen in tackles. Chris Cebula is undersized but has notched four sacks this season. The group will have to play the game of their lives to have any chance of staying with the Irish on Saturday.

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Way out in the darkness, in an abyss beyond the shadows, lurks a truly dangerous specimen.

Kinnon Tatum doesn’t just tackle; he makes a many as “The Hitter,” the middle linebacker leads the ond on the Notre Dame defense. In fact, of the four starting linebackers, he is often lost in the shuffle, taking a back seat to the bigger names and the higher profiles.

But it seems that no matter how many tackles he records or how many players he sends crawling to the sidelines, Tatum always manages to hide in the shadows of the more heralded Cobbins, Berry, and Minor. It’s hard for me to explain,” said defensive coordinator Bob Davie. “Cobbins has had the opportunity to get his hands on a lot of ball, so his name always comes up. But Berry and Kory Minor play the rush linebacker position where they can get a lot of sacks. And sacks seem to attract attention.

“I will say one thing. Since I’ve been here, I don’t think a player on this team has improved more than Kinnon Tatum.”

Assistant Sports Editor

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Friday, November 22, 1996

Beyond the shadows

Out of the spotlight, Irish linebacker Kinnon Tatum has emerged as a star

By MIKE DAY
Assistant Sports Editor

Kinnon Tatum  doesn’t just tackle; he makes a many as “The Hitter,” the middle linebacker leads the ond on the Notre Dame defense. In fact, of the four starting linebackers, he is often lost in the shuffle, taking a back seat to the bigger names and the higher profiles.

But it seems that no matter how many tackles he records or how many players he sends crawling to the sidelines, Tatum always manages to hide in the shadows of the more heralded Cobbins, Berry, and Minor. It’s hard for me to explain,” said defensive coordinator Bob Davie. “Cobbins has had the opportunity to get his hands on a lot of ball, so his name always comes up. But Berry and Kory Minor play the rush linebacker position where they can get a lot of sacks. And sacks seem to attract attention.

“My job is to go out and compete to the best of my ability. I know the rest will just take care of itself.”

“1 have a lot of playing time for a freshman, and I’ve just tried to take advantage of them,” said Tatum. “In our style of defense, the middle linebackers have to make plays, so that’s what Lyron and myself have tried to do.”

Playing in the shadows is nothing new to Tatum. As a defensive back out of Fayetteville, North Carolina, Tatum followed in the footsteps of current NFL standard for me to reach,” said Tatum. “I’ve never tried to be anyone else. I just want to be myself and reach the goals that I set out to accomplish.”

Recruited as a safety, Tatum was switched to linebacker just after he arrived at Notre Dame. The switch paid immediate dividends for the Irish as Tatum started four games as a freshman when starter Jeremy Sample went down with an injury.

Following a successful freshman year, Tatum was forced to take a smaller role in 1994 with the return of Sample. Despite the setback, Tatum did not give up and even benefited from the tutelage of Sample and fellow inside linebacker Justin Goheen.

“I had a lot of playing time for a freshman, so it was a pretty frustrating sophomore year. I learned a lot though, and I never gave up. I think that the experience benefits me in the long run.”

As starters over the last two years, “The Headbangers” have formed a close-knit group, feeding off each other’s success. And by hanging the most heads on the football field, “The Hitter” does not take a back seat to anyone.

“1 can’t begin to describe how much he delivers punishing blows that can be felt throughout the stadium.

“It is definitely something I take pride in,” said Tatum. “1 just try to give it everything I’ve got and never let up. If you let up, you’re cheating yourself. A big hit to me means that you’re giving your all and didn’t let up at any point in the play.”

The ma andy for himself. After ranking sec ond on the Irish in 1995 with 82 tackles, Tatum has elevated his game to another level. Referred to by many as “The Hitter,” the middle linebacker leads the Irish with 68 tackles and has tallied a sack and one interception this season.

“The opportunities to make plays have been there, and the last home game for Coach Holtz. We want to go out giving it our best. And with that, he slips back into the shadows again.

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Often overshadowed by the likes of Bert Berry, Lynn Cobbins, and Kory Minor, (4), linebacker Kinnon Tatum (2), also pic­
tured here with Alton Maiden (42), quietly leads the Irish in tackles and has earned the nickname “The Hitter” for his knock of making the big hit.

Accessing his ability. Tatum has earned the nicknam e “The Hitter” for his knack of making the big hit.

Tatum’s tenacity and intensity in every game and practice is what makes him a great linebacker...And nobody hits like Kinnon Tatum.”

Without him, this defense would not be what it is.”

I know the rest will just take care of itself.”

“I can’t begin to describe how much he

mean to this defense,” said Davie. “To be successful, we need Kinnon Tatum to have a big game. He disrupts a lot of things that the other offense is trying to do, and we can capitalize on that.”

“He is a great player, but he is a fantastic person too,” said Berry. “He’s kind of a jokester, and he helps keep the guys loose. And I say this from deep down. I am a better person from knowing Kinnon Tatum.”

As he prepares for his final home game this saturday against Rutgers, Tatum realizes that it will be a moment he remembers for the rest of his life.

“It will be an emotional time for me and the rest of the seniors,” said Tatum. “It’s our last home game and the last home game for Coach Holtz. We want to go out giving it our best.”

After missing last season’s contest at Purdue, Tatum returned with a team-high eight tackles in a 35-0 victory over the Boilermakers.
Wednesday afternoon, and he’s like any other junior in high school and then as a student athlete. Of Notre Dame. Gee, a junior, has really studied at Notre Dame. “It’s not that more of our fans appreciate the game day questions that you always wanted to ask, but couldn’t.”

At 5 a.m. on Saturday, security begins barricading the fields and lots in effort to get ready for the masses of people to enter Joyce South, Red West, the baseball field and the infamous RV land. They are all prepared for an onslaught of beer cans, dips and fried chicken.

By 7 a.m. everything is in place.

Student Managers

By JOEY CRAWFORD
Accent Copy Editor

The alarm clock flashes 6:29 a.m.; just one more minute of sleep. On this Saturday, the days start early for the student managers at the University of Notre Dame. The student managers represent what being a true Notre Dame fan is all about: volunteering their lives and time for the pure love of football.

“I wanted to be part of Notre Dame athletics,” explains senior head manager Kevin Haggard, who spends up to seventy hours with the football team. As early as the days begin on Football Saturday, those interested in joining in this group, must begin equally as early.

The process begins in the spring of freshman year. Freshmen managers work the spring practices and learn exactly what it takes to be a student manager. They learn quickly that the organization eats up a great deal of time which does not leave “a lot of time to go around.”

Sophomore year is even more cumbersome for this group of students, but this is also when the perks begin. Sophomore managers are invited to work two home football games a year. Their responsibilities become more involved as well. They work other sports: tapping practices, shagging balls, working in-game plays, and working closely with other coaches.

Sophomores also participate in the heralded activity of painting and buffing the legendary golden helmets of the Fighting Irish. This activity, which is just one event in a collective group called “game prep,” begins early Friday afternoon and can continue well into the night. The sophomore managers also set up the locker room the night before a home game.

The next morning, they take the field with the team and help out the coaches when they can, moving the cords that connect the field crew to the coaches’ box high above the stands, tracking plays and supplying footballs when needed. At the end of the school year, each manager fills out a peer evaluation judging the other managers’ performances. The top twenty are asked to come back and are involved solely with football.

The twenty junior student managers go with the team to their pre-season practices and get paid up to $1,000 for their involvement. They help run practices and oversee the younger managers. The juniors have the opportunity to go to every game as well.

Following the rigorous season is yet another peer evaluation. Here, the twenty managers are ranked and then given the opportunity to choose what sport they want to manage the next year. The top three managers work football and the next two manage basketball. After that it’s a free-for-all to pick their favorite sport.

Last year’s top manager honors went to Joe Freitticks, a sophomore manager, maintains. “If you work hard and have fun and basically enjoy what you are doing, it can be very rewarding. It makes you feel like an integral part of the University.”

And what are those rewards? With all of the time they spend together, the managers became very close. “The friendships you make with the other managers is one of the great rewards of the job,” explains junior Christy Grady. “They’ll do anything for you. We’re really close.”

Being a member of the student manager organization is rigorous indeed, but the experience can be golden. They are given the opportunity to do things that other people would pay to do.
**Husker arrested in hit and run**

By ED HOWARD

LINCOLN, Neb.

Nebraska lineman Terrell Farley allegedly hit two parked cars and tried to run away before he was arrested.

Farley was suspended for one game because of alcohol abuse and had not regained his right to drive after post-arrest testing.

The player had been arrested Aug. 30 near the campus. Police said his blood-alcohol level was 0.17 percent.

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BASKETBALL

By COURTNEY REAGEN
Sports Writer

To follow in the footsteps of a legend such as former basketball coach Marvin Wood, is not an easy task. However, Saint Mary's new head basketball coach, David Roeder, is striving hard to create his own footsteps. As of this moment, Roeder has the Saint Mary's basketball team hard at work preparing for the opening of their season, hosted by Kalamazoo College.

Saint Mary's ended last season with a record of 7-15, but that does not keep Roeder from having a positive and enthusiastic attitude towards his team. He stressed that the Belles strengths are, "perimeter shooting, quickness, hustle and desire" and will serve as a threat to any opposing teams. They are bound to dominate. "We expect key playing time from our starters, however, she responded positively. "He has brought a new intensity to our program. He has been working us very hard and has taught us a lot of things in a small amount of time."

January
When Nicole Giffin was asked about having a new head coach she responded positively. "He has brought a new intensity to our program. He has been working us very hard and has taught us a lot of things in a small amount of time."

St. Mary's will count on a blend of youth and experience for success. Saint Mary's will count on a blend of youth and experience for success. With the strong talent Saint Mary's possesses on their team they are bound to dominate.

Coach Roeder explained that he expects key playing time from Darcy Nikes, Nikes is a 5'4 guard/forward. By COURTNEY REAGEN
Sports Writer

Swimmers looking to earn individual honors

By DEBRA DIEMER
Sports Writer

Saint Mary's Belles travel to Olivet College in the double dual swim meet Wednesday, however they chalked up a loss to Albion College. As the Belles had predicted, they dominated the waters against the smaller of the teams.

The three schools met earlier this season in an invitational and the results remained the same. The Belles, with only seven swimmers competing, placed at least one swimmer in most of the events. But, each swimmer dominating their event wasn't enough to defeat Albion. On the other hand, the Belles proved unbeatable to Olivette.

It has been a slow season, but the Belles record doesn't show all of the teams accomplishments in such a short time. The swimmers' devotion has contributed to seconds shaved off times and broken school records.

More improvement is expected to come.
Again, junior Allison Smith placed first in the 1000 freestyle. Smith's work has paid off this season as she continues to dominate the events meet after meet.

With only seven swimmers on the team, everyone is expected to do their share. The Belles freshmen, Nancy Midden, Michelle Samreta, and Laurie Healy have stepped up to the collegiate competition creating success for the team.

"Wednesday night went really well. Our win over Olivette was the first of the season. Everyone is ready to work harder in order to create more wins," said Midden.

The Belles expect more time in the pool will help improve their record. Yet, the record is not the main focus this season. Coach Angela Addington is focused more on individual improvement for the team.

"I think that we are doing well. We only had seven swimmers competing last night against Albion, a team with 25 members. "We don't have the depth in numbers, but we have one strong swimmer in each event and we count on them for the 1-2 expected," expressed junior Natasha Mitchener.

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Interhall championship to be end of several eras

By ADRIAN WILKERSON
Sports Writer

An emotion-filled weekend is on tap at Notre Dame Stadium. Two eras will be coming to an end. Of course there is the obvious one, but this Sunday will mark Planner’s last football game. All that stands between Planner and the perfect ending is the Off-Campus Crimewriter.

Quarterbacks: Even

The finals will pit two of the most impressive quarterbacks in the league. The Crime’s Scott Lupo and the Cock’s Mike Daigler are both dangerous runners and passers. Lupo has been successful in eluding the pass rush with impressive scrambling ability. In fact, in last Sunday’s game against Sorin, Lupo had most of the Crime’s rushing yardage. Against Sorin, Lupo had most of the Crime’s rushing yardage. The Cock’s scrambler in his own right, is the more accomplished passer than Planner, but Planner has shown promise in key game situations, but the Off-Campus offensive plan has limited the action they have been involved in. If Planner can outmaneuver the Crime’s secondary, it could be the Cock’s in a surprise.

Defensive Line: Edge Planner

This has been a category won through experience, not just talent. On the surface, both teams have impressive offensive lines. However, Planner has routinely put down the best defenses in the league in the postseason. The Gamecocks’ line has stopped the potent Zahn line cold and surprised a Fisher defensive line that showcased the Alumni running game.

Defensive Line: Edge Off-Campus

The Crime’s defensive line has been impressive throughout the season, only cracking once in the team’s loss to Morrissey. This is the line that had shut down the Planner running game earlier in the season. If Off-Campus can do the same, the improved Planner running game will be in deep trouble.

Linebackers: Edge Planner

The linebacking corps of Planner is the best in the league. This will be decided early in the game. If the Off-Campus backfield can field can remain alert, they can shut down a good portion of the Planner offense.

Secondary: Edge Planner

While not as important to the interhall game as in other football leagues, special teams could be an important aspect of this Sunday. Planner’s unit has consistently outperformed and out-ckicked the Off-Campus special team unit. So in a one or two point game, it would be advantageous to Planner.

Intangibles: Even

Quite a few things are on the line this Sunday, besides this year’s interhall football championship. For Planner it is the hall’s last game before splitting into Siegfried and Knott. What better way to close out the hall’s legacy with a championship? This game is also the Cock’s chance to exact revenge on the Crime for an earlier loss this season. This game could also be redemption for last year’s heartbreaking championship game.

Off-Campus is playing for most of the same reasons as Planner. Most of the Off- Campus team are members of last year’s Planner team and also remember well the disappointment of last season. This game could also serve as the Crime’s crowning achievement in a season they have dominated. Both teams will definitely be playing their hearts out in the last game of the original stadium.

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By JOE CAVATO
Sports Writer

When one thinks of the Notre Dame volleyball team and the Big East conference, two words come to mind, dominance and perfection. They also hope to dominate the Big East banquet as junior Jaime Lee and freshman Mary Leffers are up for conference player of the year and rookie of the year, respectively.

Lee has been a key element this year as she played setter with the injury to Carey May. Leffers has been dominating at the net with her 6-4 frame. Senior captain Jenny Birkner won the Big East player of 1995.

Lee will be at 100 percent as she worried about things on their side of the net as they are in yet another transition. Besides the injuries, Brown has switched Briggs and junior Jamie Lee. Brown is also hoping that Lee will be at 100 percent as she spent some of yesterday at the infirmary.

But dealing with adversity and adjustments is nothing new for Brown's squad as they have been shaken up all season but their plethora of talent has been essential.

"I think that depth was one of our strengths heading into the season," Briggs explained. "We have had so many hurdles since the beginning of the season this is just one more thing we need to get through." Sophomore Lindsay Treadwell, Briggs and Powell have combined to fill in for Rouse and Harris. Briggs and Powell have done the job as they each took a turn in thrilling Connecticut and St. John's last weekend while Treadwell has provided consistent offense from the frontline.

"Mandi has been doing a great job and I have a lot of confidence in Mandi," Brown expressed. "She's a very good passer and I think her hitting has improved since earlier in the year."

One of the six-footer's best assets is her ability to come off the bench, prepared for action at a crucial moment and just play. She doesn't get rattled and is very dependable which is kind of hard to come by in a freshman. She's been really important this year."

Brown echoed these sentiments saying, "It's good to have her on the bench knowing that I can substitute her in any situation she's very solid."

Powell spoke about her chance to contribute: "Being a freshman I didn't expect to get very much playing time if any at all. So, I am very excited that I am in this position even though it is because of injuries. It's a good time for me to prove myself."

Powell and the rest of the squad will get their chance to continue their dominance and perfection this weekend.
HOCKEY

Irish Icers seek consistency
By CHARLEY GATES
Sports Writer

A storyline for a typical Notre Dame hockey game would go something like this: in the first period, play very sluggishly and spot the opposing team a lead; in the second period, start to come around and play a little more aggressively; in the third period, realize that the game is on the line and play extremely intensely.

Sometimes this formula has worked for the Irish, as it did against Bowling Green earlier in the season. Sometimes it does not work, as it failed against Ferris State last Friday.

In any event, playing consistently at a high level will be the main focus for the Boys of Winter when they hit the road this weekend to take on Bowling Green and Miami of Ohio in Central Collegiate Hockey League action.

The Irish have already skated with each of these teams. On October 26, the Irish dropped a heartbreaker to Miami, 2-1, after Miami scored twice in the first two minutes of the third period. On November 2, Notre Dame won a wild, 7-5, shootout in which the lead changed hands three times in the third period.

A strong start seems to be slipping out of the Irish's hands. They are in the midst of a losing streak, having dropped five of the past six games.

"It's the mistakes that we repeatedly make," said Coach Dave Poulin. "That worries me the most. We have to stop playing in bursts. We need to dominate the game for longer stretches."

What did Poulin say to his team this week?
"Basically that he needed more out of us," stated junior captain Steve Noble. "He said that we need to dominate the game for 60 minutes and that we need to play a full game."

Consistency is indeed what this young team seeks. To accomplish this, the Irish "returned to the fundamentals this week in practice," said freshman center Ben Simon. "We worked on our stops and starts in skating and just went over the basics."

"We also made a few minor, technical changes on the power play," stated Noble. A big piece in this consistency puzzle lies in the players' mental states. "I think that a lot of it is psychological," agreed Noble. "Everyone just needs to come mentally prepared to play. We also need to be a little more aggressive out there, but again, a lot of that is mental." "Guys need to show up to play, that's all," said Simon.

This is a critical weekend for the hockey team, with four points in the CCHA standings hanging in the balance.

"We'd obviously love to win both games," said sophomore defenseman Steve Noble. "But we'd be happy with a split."

The future looks very bright, but now they need to play consistently smart and intensely.

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Hoops

coach John MacLeod appraised. "We’ve gained a great deal of experience; we’ve learned that this team has excellent chemistry and we all like each other, and that they care for each other which goes a long way in really performing like a team. Of all the games, this is a team game, and the better the team plays, the more unselfish they are and the more times the ball goes to the open man. The more times you help your teammate when he’s in trouble, that embodies team play. “That’s what this team does.”

Senior center Matt Gottlieb, slated to start in this Sunday’s season opener against Monmouth, is pleased with the change from last season to the present.

With four seniors returning, we have a lot of people who are leaders. It’s also going to help this year that our offense isn’t going to have a single focus on one guy; we’re going to play much more as a team,” Gottlieb predicted.

The difference between the two seasons may be in a single position change: from Doug Gottlieb to Admore White at point guard.

"It’s a good job this thus far, he’s really getting everyone on the floor involved in the offense," Doug Gottlieb is not a problem; there’s a much better team attitude this season," Gottlieb explained.

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Manner’s role at small forward will include both having to defend several conference athletes while trying to spark the offense and keep the focus off Garrity.

"We had Gary Bell slated into the starting lineup but he’s been out for four weeks now, and he’s just started doing some limited running, it’s hard to say when he’ll be back," MacLeod said.

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of competition," said senior captain Cindy Daws about this weekend's contest. Both teams have matured since their first encounter this season. The Badgers suffered a couple of tough losses this season. They succumbed to North Carolina and just a couple of weeks ago, the Badgers lost to University of Indiana in the Big Ten championships.

"One of the things that we have improved on is maturity," said Wisconsin head coach Dean Duerst. "We have lost some games since we first played them. We had a loss to North Carolina and to the University of Indiana losses. The losses taught us that we are human. These losses give us a chance to go in with a great attitude and upset them."

Wisconsin will provide a challenge for Notre Dame, just like they did in September. The Badgers feel that they are ready for the Irish, and they have been preparing for them all week.

"The key is to shut down the attack," said Duerst about his team's game plan. "In order to do that we have to stop wing play, challenge everything that they serve into the box. It will take a great defensive effort from us.

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knocked down a hook shot to tie the score. The play sparked a 15-6 Irish run, and suddenly the Irish were nine. Notre Dame frosted the cake by hitting nine of 11 free throws in the second half.

"We proved that we're capable of beating the top-ranked teams," Gaither insisted. "Coach McGraw just put us in the right mind frame, but we can still improve.

"We upset two ranked teams this week, so we feel pretty good about the start to our season," McGraw said.

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earned Notre Dame its third invitation to the "Big Dance" in the last four years. "We kind of dipped a little bit at the end of the season," acknowledged coach Mike Becticelli. "A couple of losses can follow." Coach Berticelli added, "We've had some ups and downs." agreed Irish head coach Mike Berticelli. "A couple of losses can follow." Berticelli pointed out.

The Irish certainly are together at this point in time, as they find themselves in the midst of a three-game winning streak, just three wins away from a trip to the Final Four in Greensboro, VA. Notre Dame's first tournament challenge is a big one. On Sunday, the Irish will find themselves in Greensboro, N.C., facing the No. 3 seed Spartans. The matchup is an intriguing one, regardless of the fact that UNC-Greensboro is actually the second-ranked team in the country, and that they own the highest ranked opponent Greeneboro will be facing. It was also 13 years ago, to the day, that the Irish last faced the 1985 UNC-Greensboro Spartans. In fact, Greensboro will be the highest ranked opponent Notre Dame has faced this season. In previous matchups with Top 10 opponents, Notre Dame is 3-1-1. They split a pair of games with Rutgers, taking the all-important Big East Championship game after dropping a late-season decision in New Jersey.

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2 Across: Delicious on site "89
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8 Across: Popular stuffed carnival prize
9 Across: Very wet
10 Across: Contaminated sour beer
11 Across: Plagiarism
12 Across: Meniac informally
13 Across: Dandy
14 Across: Pa. hub

1 Down: Site of ancient Ephesus
2 Down: Sources of philosophy
3 Down: Buschert offerings
4 Down: Scapulars
5 Down: Age and weight, e.g.

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE


1 Star of a one-woman show Broadway, 1980-82
2 Tin man in "Wizard of Oz"
3 Drives insane
4 Union job
5 One of a number of Chekhov's heroines
6 Gershwin hero
7 Subject of a 1973 ban
8 In the "I" column in bingo
10 Mount Accoquua's locale
11 Creator of the Empire State Building
12 Vic Tayback's sitcom co-star
13 Asthma sufferer's relief
14 "I Wonder"
15 "O, C. Cab" acro.
16 Word to a doctor
17 Part of an Army chart
18 Enlightened Budhist
19 Manic potential
20 Crouching
21 Blind Tiger
22 Seem Old
23 Major mail carrier
24 Steamed vegetable
25 Vegetable Crepes
26 Grilled Salmon
27 Lasagna
28 Meat Ravioli
29 Buffalo Chicken Wings
30 Eight Grain Bread
31 Cinnamon Apples
32 Tortilla Soup
33 Vegetable Muffins
34 Cannelloni
35 Oatmeal Raisin Cookie
36 Spinach Salad
37 Grilled Chicken
38 Lettuce on a shoe box
39 Rhino
40 Briga of "Kiss of the Spider Woman"
41 Word with dew
42 Squirrel away
43 Windmill blade
44 Kind of canal
45 Year in Fabian's geometry
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY IN THE NEXT YEAR OF YOUR LIFE. Your freedom-loving personality attracts new admirers. Put your original ideas on paper could lead to an exciting business proposition. A generous advance gives you the leverage to pursue a pet project or hobby. 1997 looks like a hectic and active year, get ready for a new challenge. A change of attitude or great focus is the key to success. Seek the advice of experienced people. With effort and patience, you will eventually reach the executive suite.

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ARIES (March 21-April 19): Get involved in community affairs. Become a Big Sister or Big Brother to help the homeless. A parent's love for your child shows steady improvement.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): A change of attitude or great focus is the key to success. Seek the advice of experienced people. With effort and patience, you will eventually reach the executive suite.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): You need to watch your step now. Say "no" to under-the-table business deals. Keep everything strictly aboveboard. Adopt a more fundamental approach to life.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You might harvest something from your labors now. Winning your priorities if necessary. Research the latest trends in your field. Dedication to home and family will lead to a lifetime of happiness.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Get more money to buy new clothes and the flip. The year need for periods of solitude is more pressing now. Do your best to explain. Complete your work at the office; then relax at home.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Your associates come to your defense. Reward them in a tangible way. Use jointly owned resources responsibly. A first impression is sight.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Act strong and fast for the Tiger. Progress is seen in almost every area of your life. Prevent burns at home by doing your fair share of the work. A close one will seem much closer.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): The day goes off to a fast start. If something is bugging you, discuss it. Check on the status of your investments. It may be time to consult another stockbroker or accountant.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Your career sails along smoothly. Be willing to share the glory with deserving subordinates. No matter how far above you are, treat them with respect.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Put your credit cards away and cash spending. Others will like you better if you stop taking everything so seriously. Investigate yoga as a way to reduce stress. Romance with a new partner looks bright.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Go along with your partner's desires for adventure. A caring, nurturing approach will help resolve a parent-child conflict. Do more listening than talking when dealing with teens. Be willing to change more than they know.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Take advantage of a special opportunity. Financial breaks are likely, but only if you go after them. Loved one may ask you to do something that you think are a more harmonious atmosphere. Be willing to make changes.

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**Irish Hoopsters looking to build on preseason**

**Men hope to progress in conference**

By DAVE TREACY

The men's basketball team is going to try something new this season, implementing a plan that may actually help them win a few more games on a rough schedule, including a stretch of 17 straight against Big East opponents.

They're going to attempt to play as a team. Players and coaches alike have emphatically expressed confidence that, unlike last year's squad, the Irish will be a more cohesive unit, working together for success. Leadership on the team should be a major bonus as four seniors return, as should a year of experience for all returnees playing against Big East competition.

The preseason began rather ominously as the Irish struggled in their first exhibition game against Northwest Basketball Camps, winning 80-78 in overtime. Australia's Junior National team did not encounter the same Irish squad six days later, and received a 105-75 beating that allowed Notre Dame to open the offensive floodgates.

"We've gained a great deal from this preseason," head coach Chris Petrucelli about Wisconsin, "Also they are an athletic team. In our last game, their idea was to disrupt our rhythm by fouling."

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"People look for me to score and otherwise don't pass the ball," quipped Gaither, who, like her teammates, had just returned from the six-day trip.

"We cannot dwell on our accidents or our mistakes. We can either learn from them or suffer from them. We prefer learn from them and move on."

Gaither wasn't the only one who dictated the outcome of the game. The Irish left the Wolfpack in shock when their best shooting display of the year (56.5 percent), including a dazzling 7-for-8 from behind the arc, won the game 102-99.

The 14th-ranked Irish (12-3) have already victimized two top-10 teams in three games, doubling the number of victories over top-10 opponents in the program's history (4). Notre Dame will begin the 1996-1997 season with the best shooting percentage in Big East history (41.5 percent), including a 10-6-2 regular season record, a third place finish in the conference championship, and a berth in the NCAA tournament.

Not bad for a squad that suffered multiple injuries to key players and was forced to rely on the services a large number of freshmen and sophomores from the opening game of the year to the regular season finale.

It seems that ever since the Irish began the season with a conference win on the road at Providence (whereas last year's team was winless away from home), they have been able to pick their spots and step up their level of play whenever they need to.

This ability was clearly displayed when Notre Dame dropped four of its final five games of the season, including three losses against conference foes, but only to come roaring back to tour through the competition in the Big East Championship tournament. Their performance at Rutgers last weekend was a testament to what this team is capable of.

**Features**

**Kickers hope to continue drive in postseason**

**Badgers next on Champs’ list**

By KATHLEEN LOPEZ

A sequel is in the making for the Wisconsin Badgers. The Badgers are finding themselves in the same predicament as they did last year. In these fourth consecutive NCAA toy season they will once again meet a hot Irish team in the second round for the second year in a row.

Last year, Notre Dame dismissed Wisconsin, 5-0.

"I'm sure they are coming in hungry," said Irish head coach Chris Petrucelli. "But so are we."

Earlier this season, the two teams met in a heated battle. It was a physical matchup with lots of fouls. The Badger offense would not allow themselves to be silenced, and constantly plagued the Irish defense. Notre Dame's offense has been the foundation for the team, and held their ground in the contest. The Badgers could not shut down the Irish attack, and the Irish came out victorious, 3-1.

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The team is ready for a physical game after playing the University of Indiana, last weekend. The Irish managed to weather the blows of the Hoosiers, and hold on for the 81-79 victory. The game was highlighted by the large number of fouls called, and Irish junior Holly Manthei received a yellow card along with a Hoosier player.

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"People look for me to score and otherwise don't pass the ball," quipped Gaither, who, like her teammates, had just returned from the six-day trip.

"We cannot dwell on our accidents or our mistakes. We can either learn from them or suffer from them. We prefer learn from them and move on."

Gaither wasn't the only one who dictated the outcome of the game. The Irish left the Wolfpack in shock when their best shooting display of the year (56.5 percent), including a dazzling 7-for-8 from behind the arc, won the game 102-99.

The 14th-ranked Irish (12-3) have already victimized two top-10 teams in three games, doubling the number of victories over top-10 opponents in the program's history (4). Notre Dame will begin the 1996-1997 season with the best shooting percentage in Big East history (41.5 percent), including a 10-6-2 regular season record, a third place finish in the conference championship, and a berth in the NCAA tournament.

Not bad for a squad that suffered multiple injuries to key players and was forced to rely on the services a large number of freshmen and sophomores from the opening game of the year to the regular season finale.

It seems that ever since the Irish began the season with a conference win on the road at Providence (whereas last year's team was winless away from home), they have been able to pick their spots and step up their level of play whenever they need to.

This ability was clearly displayed when Notre Dame dropped four of its final five games of the season, including three losses against conference foes, but only to come roaring back to tour through the competition in the Big East Championship tournament. Their performance at Rutgers last weekend was a testament to what this team is capable of.