O'Hara declines to give clause revision timetable

By MATTHEW LOUGHRAN

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One of the primary targets of the bill is sexually explicit material currently available on the Internet.

Douglas Kimie, a professor at Notre Dame’s Law School, said that the court would most likely be a very close one, but that “there is a reasonably good chance that the statute will survive constitutional scrutiny.”

Kimie, who is an expert in constitutional law, believes that the court’s current attitude and prior precedents seem to fall on the government’s side. "In the oral argument, the court showed itself to be quite sensitive to the problem," he observed. "There are several precedents that suggest that the government can prevent minors from viewing pornography."

He cited two previous cases in particular, in which the court decided that the sale of sex magazines could be criminalized when the sale was to a minor. He added that in another case, the Federal Communications Commission vs. Pacifica, the court decided that the FCC could regulate indecent communications by minors.

"I would like an answer," Coyle added. "I would like an answer as to when I will get an answer. We deserve to know what is going on."

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Grant funds pursuit of human rights law studies

By LAURA PETELLE

All law students spend three grueling years of their life in pursuit of a degree in law.

Those who make it through then go on to earn their masters of law, or LL.M. degree in an additional year of intense study.

But there is one even more exclusive group who choose to follow this laborious educational sequence up by diving headfirst into the uncharted territory of international law.

The Notre Dame Law School’s Center for Civil and Human Rights has been running a program for just over two years in which young lawyers study international human rights to earn their LL.M. degree and then participate in internships, usually overseas, that deal with human rights violations.

The center recently received a $150,000 grant from the prestigious John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation so that the center can continue to provide law clerks to the prosecutor’s office of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia, or ICTY.

"If we’re successful, the tribunal will point to the need for a permanent international criminal court with its own statute," said Rodney Dixon, a graduate of the program who is now employed at ICTY in The Hague in The Netherlands, explained.

The program draws dedicated young human rights lawyers from around the world. Thereafter we try to help them by placing them in internship positions where they can gain practical experience and make contacts in the field and, in some cases, to get started in an international legal career," said Gard Meilnges, the associate director of the center.

"These internships have, in a significant way, helped these people to get positions and get started on international legal careers," he added.

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The saving grace of friends

Yesterday's tribute to leadership at Saint Mary's College followed the opportunity for personal reflection. As I look back to the year before and the words of Dr. Linda D. Keener, former president, and Karen Murphy at the lead-up to move-out day, everything became filled with pride, as I often do, to be a part of such an incredible community.

Allissia Koegel
Assistant News Editor

The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

The Supreme Court says tobacco billboards OK

WASHINGTON

The Supreme Court on Monday rejected arguments Monday that restricting cigarette billboards violates free speech, a decision allowing the tobacco industry even as President Clinton's initiative advertising crackdown heads toward the court.

The decision came as the industry prepared to resume talks with anti-smoking lawyers to try to avoid a trial and end a war on tobacco.

The justices, without comment, denied a review of Baltimore's ban on billboard ads for cigarettes and alcoholic beverages.

The 4th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals had ruled that the ban was constitutional — so the Supreme Court's refusal to overturn that decision means "every other city in the 4th Circuit can adapt these rules. They're legal," said Susan Low Bloch, a Georgetown University professor of constitutional law.

An important legal decision lies ahead on how the same appeals court and later the Supreme Court will review the Food and Drug Administration's pending tobacco crackdown.

The Federal judge in North Carolina last week left the constitutionality of the FDA rules unanswered, meaning that the agency could regulate tobacco but that it didn't have authority to restrict cigarette advertising under a particular section of federal law.

The 4th Circuit in Richmond, Va., could hear appeals filed by cigarette makers and Clinton officials by fall.

Jewels return to Russian Embassy

WASHINGTON

The czars' jewels went back to the Russian Embassy on Monday after a two-week standoff at a vault in a vault at the Corcoran Gallery of Art. There was still no word whether the jewels of the Romanov dynasty would continue to be on exhibit at the Corcoran, the next stop in a planned seven-city American tour, or return to Russia. Officials at the Houston Museum of Fine Arts, who will receive the jewels on the day after tomorrow said they had heard the dispute was over and that the jewels would come to Texas but Director Peter Marzio later backed off that statement, saying he was still unsure of the exhibit's status. In Washington, Mikhail Gusman of the Russian committee that organized the tour, said: "There is no agreement yet on whether the exhibit will go to Houston or beyond." Added David C. Levy, the Corcoran's director: "I have a signed agreement from the American Russian Cultural Cooperation Foundation and from representatives of the Russian government that they both agree to the transportation of these jewels today back to the embassy." I have no assurance today that those two sides remained in meetings trying to work out a deal.

Tobacco in the U.S.

Significant events in the U.S. tobacco epidemic over the years.

1964 Surgeon general reports dangers of smoking.

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1971 Broadcast: "Tobacco Is a Human Addiction.

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SMC recognizes leadership in day-long celebration

By SARAH CORKREAN  
Saint Mary's News Editor  

The Saint Mary's community set aside a day to honor students who pioneer change and leadership at the College, culminating in the commissioning of next year's student leaders. The Leadership Development Committee sponsored "Celebrating a Leadership Community" Monday, which consisted of reflection, celebration, learning and planning.

The College mission statement indicates the importance of "preparing students for roles in leadership and action." Leaders at Saint Mary's fulfill the mission statement through academic, social, cultural, spiritual, athletic and intellectual activities. "Saint Mary's encourages strong characters and values life long learning," said Linda Timm, vice president for Student Affairs. "Although leaders this year have faced many difficult decisions, it is now time to kick back, smile and reflect how each one of us have contributed leadership qualities in our classes, with friends and our impact within the community."

The day offered opportunities for students, faculty, staff and administration to explore the ways Saint Mary's fosters a leadership community. Student leaders of the current year were honored, helping leaders of the future shape their plans and encouraging all members of the College community to recognize their gifts for leadership and action.

In a brief address, senior Karen Murphy, a humanistic studies major and current member of the Student Academic Council and senior class board, shared her thoughts on how the Saint Mary's community depends on and encourages opportunities for leadership.

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Roger Mullins in Human Resources

"When we came back in September, Father (Richard) McBridge, who chairs the Faculty Senate, asked what happened to it," she continued. "Roger didn't know, but he found it and sent it along to the officers' group. They finally formed a committee in December or January. McBrien stayed on top of it, and kept getting different information."

"They said originally that they would be able to present it on February 21. That didn't happen," Preacher added. "Then they said they would present it in March. It also didn't happen. Now we are expecting to hear from the April meeting. But we seem to be getting conflicting information as to what is going on."

Most attending the meeting did not see O'Hara's response as a rejection, but merely as an indication of how they should proceed in further dealings with the Office of Student Affairs. "With this letter we gave them an opportunity to show that they missed the opportunity," Preacher added. "Then they would be able to present it on Saturday or Sunday before the first meeting of next year, on Sept. 1. That will give people more time to think about it, and we will be pretty busy for all the other meetings with a particular item." Griffin said. "But it is very important that we set an agenda before the beginning of the year."

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Seniors experience ticket shortage
Tight budget forces officers to buy too few
By SARAH HILTZ
New Writer

Despite the fact that tickets for the senior class trip to a Chicago Cubs game sold out in about an hour, more seniors than originally planned will still be able to attend the game on May 13. The senior class originally purchased 95 tickets for the game, and sold them to seniors for $10 each. The class council would have liked to have purchased more tickets, but the class budget was too tight.

“We were given $5,000 at the start of the year’s class, their tickets are on sale for $22 each,” said Todd Flood at approximately 9 p.m. The response is so great that we’re almost sold out,” said Flood at approximately 9 p.m. “I think it’s great that the students are doing this. Unfortunately, we didn’t have the money to buy more tickets,” said Hammond. Hammond explained that, despite the circulating rumor, no tickets were held back for senior class council members or class officers, except two tickets for the senior week council chairs. In fact, Hammond himself was not able to purchase a ticket from the senior class, and plans to buy one from Blood.

Happy Birthday to the cutest, sweetest 21 year old we know! You will always be our “Little Angel Girl.”

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Poor participation trend reverses in AnTostal ’97
By HEATHER COCKS
News Editor

After years of a mediocre turnout, AnTostal seems to have piqued student interest once again.

Perfect weather combined with numerous outdoor events caused an increase in participation and, according to commissioner Shannon Ball, a huge boost in enthusiasm. “Everyone I’ve talked to said they had a really fun time,” she said. “Overall, I think it turned out really well.”

Ball faced the daunting task of rebuilding the festival’s reputation at a time when the Office of Student Activities closely monitored the popularity of each event. “AnTostal is on probation now,” Ball explained. “We’re being scrutinized.” She explained that the program came under review due to its apparent lack of participants and generally low student interest. Officials at Student Activities chose to continue AnTostal on a probationary basis, something Ball saw as an opportunity to restructuring.

“Last year, they had to start all over again; that’s the reason for probation,” she said. “We had to build strongly upon the groundwork we did this year, the commissioner can add the finishing touches to AnTostal.”

A component in this year’s festival the inclusion of a greater number of smaller events in lieu of fewer, larger-scale ones. Despite a chilly start to the week, perfect weather cooperated and Ball feels that students were even more encouraged to spend time outside.

A lot of these events were the type of thing where you can just stop and play on your way back from class, and I think we got so many more people involved just by doing that,” she stated. “One day, we gave out a total of 1,000 cotton candy sticks. In addition, Ball reported that over 400 people attended the ‘O’Neill brothers’ piano concert, and 150 runners in Hostile Tostal.

Too that was three times what we expected,” she said.

Bookstore Basketball, which began as an AnTostal event, and the Blue-Gold games were other campus distractions scheduled for the same week, but Ball believes they did not ultimately hurt student turnout. “We couldn’t really fight it,” she said, “so we made sure enough was going on that the games couldn’t conflict with all of our plans.”

She remains optimistic about the future of AnTostal at Saint Mary’s, though she cited budget restrictions as an obstacle.

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Evidence incriminates McVeigh

By MICHAEL FLEEMAN
Associated Press Writer

TIMOTHY McVeigh had earplugs in his pocket, a loaded handgun in a shoulder holster and an envelope full of violent anti-government writings when he was pulled over for a traffic violation about 75 minutes after the Oklahoma City bombing.

The car was searched two days after it was impounded following McVeigh’s arrest on gun violations unrelated to the bombing of federal buildings in Oklahoma City. The envelope was seen on the car seat at the time of McVeigh’s arrest.

Offering a detailed account of the chance arrest, Oklahoma Highway Patrol trooper Charles Hanger said McVeigh appeared relaxed, answering all questions, complying with orders, chatting about guns and even offering an explanation of where he had just been.

“He said he was in the process of moving to Arkansas and that he had taken a load of his belongings down there,” Hanger said.

Prosecutors contend McVeigh was fleeing the bombing when he was stopped, and have said explosives residue was found on the ear plugs, his clothing and the knife.

A couple of days after the arrest, Hanger cleaned out the squad car used to transport McVeigh, and found a business card from a military supply store with a handwritten message, “Dave (TNT at $5 a stick) was on today.”

Just after Hanger identified McVeigh in court as the man wearing a blue shirt, the defendant whispered something in one of his lawyers and exchanged smiles with her.

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Air Force crash may remain ‘inexplicable’

By MICHELLE BOORSTEIN

The Air Force has solved part of the mysterious disappearance of Capt. Craig Button, determining through a DNA match that he died when his A-10 Thunderbolt crashed into a snowy Colorado mountainside. But military officials said Monday that the force with which Button’s warplane crashed may have obliterated clues as to why the 32-year-old pilot veered off from a routine training mission in southwestern Arizona.

“There’s a legitimate concern that we might never know what caused Capt. Button to fly where he did,” said a Pentagon spokesman.

But military officials said Monday that Button’s parents learned Sunday that their son was killed in the crash. The military used DNA records and tissue specimens from the wreckage to positively identify the remains as Button’s.

“We are pretty much up on it all. We don’t want to say anything at this time. Please understand,” Richard Burton said Monday in a phone interview from his home in Massapequa, N.Y.

“Craig was a wonderful young man. This is an inexplicable tragedy,” said family friend John Conroy, who has been holding a daily vigil with Button and his parents since the pilot disappeared.

Now that the military knows where the A-10 and its pilot ended up, officials say they aren’t certain if they’ll ever know why it was there. The main problem is evidence.

The Air Force retrieved two small pieces of the plane, including plastic-insulated tubing and wires and a section of metal, before officials posted the salvage operation until the snow melts.

Two suspects were detained on suspicion of planting the bomb. Zdanovich said. The FBI and NTV networks said the suspects were two women of Chechen nationality.

“There are signs of possible involvement of Chechen terrorists,” Alexander Zdanovich, a spokesman for Russia’s Federal Security Service, told the Interfax news agency.

President Boris Yeltsin, vacationing 150 miles away in Sochi on the Black Sea, condemned the bombing and imposed tight security measures on the region, said press spokesman, Sergei Yastrzhembskii.

The attack followed a bomb blast last week in the waiting room of a railway station in the southern town of Armavir, which killed two people and wounded eight. The device was concealed in a piece of luggage.

Police said they were looking for three men suspected of involvement in that bombing and issued their descriptions and composite portraits.

A Chechen guerrilla leader, Salman Raduyev, claimed responsibility for the Armavir bombing, which he called “the beginning of a series of spot strikes throughout Russia, especially at railway stations and military facilities,” the ITAR-Tass news agency reported.

Abandoned camp at Baro, south of Kisangani. Until Monday, international officials could account for only a few hundred of the at least 80,000 missing refugees.

U.S. workers worked to bring in tons of food for the Rwandans, while U.N. officials argued for the refugees’ immediate airlift out of central Rwanda — something Zaire’s rebels have repeatedly blocked.

"This is the only way these people have to go home," said Filippe Grandi of the U.N. refugee agency.

"If you can get them out today," refugee Sosthene Nyiragama said as he emerged from a week of hiding and wandering into the camp.

Refugee camps housing about 80,000 Rwandans near Kisangani were found deserted last week. Five days after rebels fighting to oust President Mobutu and Nkulu sealed the area to foreign aid workers and journalists.

Refugees emerge from forest

The refugees are among 1 million Rwandan Hutus who fled into Zaire to escape retaliation for the nation’s 1994 genocide of a half-million Tutsis. Most have returned; the Rwandans who remained in central Zaire camps increasingly were at odds with local Zairians and rebels, many of them Zairian Tutsis.

Last week, Zairian mobs allegedly attacked the camps with machetes, blaming the refugees for the murders of six villagers. The mobs killed hundreds, and rebels opened fire on at least one camp, the refugees say.

"First the Zairians attacked; then the refugees," said the refugee, Nyiragama. "They looted food, medicines, everything... Then when we heard the gunfire and the gunfire..." The U.S. ambassador to the United Nations, Bill Richardson, flew to Zaire Monday to talk with Mobutu and rebel leaders.

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By HRVOJE HRANJSKI

BARO, Zaire

Thousands of Rwandan Hutu refugees emerged from hiding in the jungles of eastern Zaire on Monday, their hunger more powerful than their fear of the mobs that drove them from zairean camps a week ago.

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Vonnegut’s “Slaughterhouse Five,” and Joseph Heller's “Catch-22.” You have taught me that life is all life’s road the academic beast stomps on, likewise refusing alternative view-points, on the basis of lack of “evidence” and lack of “critical theory,” denying true emotions and history’s teachings of cultural quietiles — both learned and inherited — in favor of plundering, egote word-worship, trite ostentatiousness and cleverly witty word-play.

You have taught me that there are students of philosophy, but there are no philosophers. You have taught me that life is in a self-referential loop, and a never-ending inner circle of bureaucracy, from which there can be no escape. You have taught me that originality is sin; repetition, key. You have taught me disappointment.

You have taught me that it is acceptable to abuse University electronic message privileges by sending hate-e-mails containing phrases such as “leftist pinkie commie,” but it is entirely inappropriate to support basic human rights. You have taught me that only the truly virtuous remain anonymous. You have taught me that life is all extremes, all good or evil, all Christian or pagan, all liberal or conservative, and nothing in the middle can survive attacks from both sides of the polarized spectrum.

You have taught me that unenriched traditions are important to the individual, that bricks are more deserving of dignity than a person, that what our parents and grandparents have done is more valuable than anything we or our grandchildren could ever hope to accomplish. You have taught me that a set of outdated, insular, patriarchal rules has more respect than a human soul. You have taught me that to live in the present, I must bury the past.

You have taught me that men who wear earmuffs earn the epithet “tagget.” You have taught me that by wearing no gloves and no winter coat in below freezing weather conditions, I could have become a man. You have taught me that there is, indeed, a very thin line between bravery and sheer stupidity.

You have taught me that if the Truth is Out There, then He is Dead. You have taught me that true charity involves savagery, and true generosity demands a spectacle of testosterone in reciprocation. You have taught me that Notre Dame is the navel on the beer-bloated belly of America. You have become an encouragement to Irish-American Catholics everywhere to remain stereotyped as they always have been. You have taught ideals, but I have found only their ages.

You have showed me those to fear and those to praise, to revile and those who emulate. You have showed me that it is not enough to have hard words. I must also have a hard soul. You have tried to negate me, and you have failed. You have showed me more of myself than I ever could have alone.

For these teachings and others unmentioned, I pray.

Thanks be to Notre Dame. Amen.

Matthew Apple will graduate this May with a master's of fine arts degree in creative writing. He will be moving to Boston where he can find some actual culture and a decent cup of coffee within walking distance.
Whose normality? Which genetic personalities?

I wanted to begin this column by acknowledging the letter of Father Patrick J. Sullivan, the chair of the Student Affairs Committee (April 23), responding to my March 18 column criticizing Student Affairs. Given the factual clarity and accuracy of this letter, I should say that I was too hasty in ascribing a motive of censorship to SAC in its discussions regarding Right Reason. But then, while he letter exonerates SAC of censorship, it does leave some issues hanging. So let me return to the rise to the discussion of Right Reason, which gave to Right Reason what is denied to the Catholic Church! The remainder of the essay turns out to be a parody of the Catholic Church, afraid of what would happen if they did understand. They condemn because they claim to love others when they have no concern at all for the well-being of another person’s soul.

The same applies, mutatis mutandis, to arguments about the inherent inferiority of the human species. It makes for a very attractive claim to be sure. If Mr. Apple had made similar statements in an exam, he would have failed. The professor who wrote this column would have pulled the wool over our eyes by intellectually ranting upon a subject which he knows nothing about. Not to toot my own horn, but I have been a student of Right Reason for many years. I could go on but these are typical examples of which the article is full.

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God's unconditional love of humankind, not their sins

Dear Editor,

In response to his April 22 column, I have the following to say to Matthew Apple: Goats love you! He loves you, He loves me, and He loves every person with whom we can share our love. This love is unconditional. As you wrote in your column, "All that is good, that is all of love, of the love God has for us, it is beyond the song. However, it must be understood by those who have, or who have not, this all-embracing force binds the universe together, gives it shape, and gives it meaning.

The soul is love is absolutely unconditional, His acceptance is not. Sin, evil and wrong do exist and can influence us, the people God loves, unconditional. We must realize our failings as measured against the only standard which is not arbitrary: God. And, when we do this, we realize how much more we can love God and thus respond by changing our lives out of love for Him.

And where can we turn to hear what God has to say? We turn to the revelation of the Word, the Ten Commandments, the Gospel. By following God's will, we do not offer up our wills to be evaluated and rejected by some individual or small group. Rather, we offer them back to God, how we might feel to be right right or is there something more to it? I believe there is, in fact, something more, precisely because if, as you say, God is in this, then there is a will, a will goodness to goodness and love, and thus also that in these things, God is not uncountable of courage. Nor, Catholics, in general, have had any sense of shame to stand as to challenges, separate ourselves from God. Accordingly, if we wish to love God and thus also to do only that which is right, it only makes sense to turn to God with our questions and listen to what He has to say.

To be sure, I find it embarrassingly elitist to suggest that an issue pertaining solely to a genital act could be of such significance that as that of deserving of our farce. Catholicism is not about "hate" as you so failingly, narrow-mindedly argue, to the same people as that of deserving of our farce. Catholicism is not about "hate" as you so failingly, narrow-mindedly argue, to the same people as that of deserving of our farce. Catholicism is not about "hate" as you so failingly, narrow-mindedly argue, to the same people as that of deserving of our farce. Catholicism is not about "hate" as you so failingly, narrow-mindedly argue, to the same people as that of deserving of our farce. Catholicism is not about "hate" as you so failingly, narrow-mindedly argue, to the same people as that of deserving of our farce. Catholicism is not about "hate" as you so failingly, narrow-mindedly argue, to the same people as that of deserving of our farce. Catholicism is not about "hate" as you so failingly, narrow-mindedly argue, to the same people as that of deserving of our farce. Catholicism is not about "hate" as you so failingly, narrow-mindedly argue, to the same people as that of deserving of our farce. Catholicism is not about "hate" as you so failingly, narrow-mindedly argue, to the same people as that of deserving of our farce. Catholicism is not about "hate" as you so failingly, narrow-mindedly argue, to the same people as that of deserving of our farce. Catholicism is not about "hate" as you so failingly, narrow-mindedly argue, to the same people as that of deserving of our farce. Catholicism is not about "hate" as you so failingly, narrow-mindedly argue, to the same people as that of deserving of our farce. Catholicism is not about "hate" as you so failingly, narrow-mindedly argue, to the same people as that of deserving of our farce. Catholicism is not about "hate" as you so failingly, narrow-mindedly argue, to the same people as that of deserving of our farce. Catholicism is not about "hate" as you so failingly, narrow-mindedly argue, to the same people as that of deserving of our farce. Catholicism is not about "hate" as you so failingly, narrow-mindedly argue, to the same people as that of deserving of our farce. Catholicism is not about "hate" as you so failingly, narrow-mindedly argue, to the same people as that of deserving of our farce. Catholicism is not about "hate" as you so failingly, narrow-mindedly argue, to the same people as that of deserving of our farce. Catholicism is not about "hate" as you so failingly, narrow-mindedly argue, to the same people as that of deserving of our farce. Catholicism is not about "hate" as you so failingly, narrow-mindedly argue, to the same people as that of deserving of our farce. Catholicism is not about "hate" as you so failingly, narrow-mindedly argue, to the same people as that of deserving of our farce. Catholicism is not about "hate" as you so failingly, narrow-mindedly argue, to the same people as that of deserving of our farce.
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Knicks advance with victory over Charlotte

By the Law Library

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"I feel much more comfortable," said Rossum. "At first, when I went on offense every time I got in, I got those butterflies and I felt like I had to make the big play. But now I'm just relaxing and I feel like I do on defense."

Several concerns about Rossum's added duties on offense are whether he would have any problems balancing offense and defense along with the fear of him getting fatigued. But he has some experience playing iron man football, and he knows what it takes.

"It's more mental than anything," Rossum said. "I had to concentrate and learn the offensive plays. Defense comes naturally. I played both ways in high school, but the talent level wasn't as high as it is here."

Another factor contributing to the choice to make Rossum a triple threat was the maturation of several sophomore defensive backs.

"Dereon Harper and Lee Lafayette look like they're going to be healthy and like they're going to be good players," Davie said. "That's the reason we can do that with Allen Rossum."

The added depth in the defensive backfield reduces the consequences of losing the top corner to injury.

"There wasn't that many people behind me that could come in," Rossum said of last season. "But now we do, so I have more opportunities to play different positions."

Another one of those positions that Rossum may line up at is in the offensive backfield.

"This spring we wanted to see how much of the offense he could grasp at wide receiver," Davie said. "It's a distinct possibility that you could see him in the offensive backfield."

Rossum talked about how he feels about his added responsibilities and him becoming the jack-of-all-trades.

"Whatever is going to help this team win, I'm going to do — whatever it takes to get the team to Miami, Jan. 2."
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**TRACK**

Irish perform well at Drake

By LAURA PETELLE
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame track and field teams turned in strong performances at the Drake Relays this past weekend at Drake University.

"We had a very successful weekend going out there," said assistant coach Scott Winsor. "It was a good segue to the Big East."

Jeff Hojnik, a two-time All-American, placed second in the 800 meters, .05 seconds behind the winning time of 1:48.16. Errol Williams turned in a fourth place finish in the 110-meter hurdles, and Mike Fleisch came in sixth in the shot put with a throw just over 56 feet, 6 inches. Senior Alison Howard placed seventh in the 400 meters. Nadia Schmidt won fourth place in the 400-meter hurdles with a time of 58.76 after winning her heat in 58.72.

Jennifer Engelhardt came in fourth in the high jump, clearing 5 feet 8 3/4 inches. The relay team of Derek Seeling, Mike Conway, Jeff Hojnik and Jason Boening brought home a second place finish in the 4x1600 relay with a time of 16:31.20. Two seconds behind the Arizona team that won the event.

"The Drake Relays is a good, high-quality warm-up meet for the Big East championships," said Windsor. "It's a great opportunity to run against the best in the country. Just a great, great meet."

Some of the team continued to the Bollembacher Open, held in West Lafayette, Ind. Heidi Biechenback won the 3000 meters in 10:23.16, and Marshburn West came in first in the 200 meters, finishing in 21.66. In the field events, Chris Smith came in second in the javelin with a throw of 188 feet, 3 inches, and Mike Brown brought home second in the pole vault with 16 feet, 3 1/2 inches.

The Irish go to Villanova next weekend to compete in the Big East outdoor championships.

"We're outnumbered on the women's side when we go out there," said Windsor. "We just don't have the numbers some of the other schools have, but the women we take out there do extremely well. We have a lot of women that will be fighting for the Big East championships."

"On the men's side," continued Windsor, "hopefully we'll be in the hunt to win it. Everyone's going to have to click for us to do that. Everyone's going to have to perform up to their potential or maybe even a little higher."

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**SMC TRACK**

Belles improve as season winds down

By SHANNON RYAN
Sports Writer

Great weather, healing injuries and improving times.

These were the main ingredients the Saint Mary's track and field team needed to succeed at Saturday's Earhart College Invitational.

Keeping strong in all events was key to SMC's success. The Belles earned five first place wins and finished second overall in a field of five teams.

The Belles continued with Alyson Tredan coming out on top in the high jump with a leap measured at 4 feet 10 inches. Alyson Tredan kept up her tradition of excellence in the javelin, earning the team's second win with a throw of 114 feet 3 1/2 inches.

The Belles continued their competitive spirit on the track, beating their previous times. Melissa Gornik crossed the finish line first with a time of 18.5 seconds in the 100 meter hurdles. Theresa Zamarrelli had a big afternoon, finishing first in the 200 meter dash with a time of 23.1 seconds. Zamarrelli also earned more points for the Belles with a second place finish in the 100-meter dash, behind only teammate Stacy Davis. As Davis' hamstring injury improves steadily, her times have been coming down, as shown by racing across the finish line in 1:48.16.

Alyson Tredan and Carrie Biseo also assisted the team with third and fourth places in the 1500-meter run.

"They improve week by week as you can see in their performances," coach Larry Davis' said. "They work hard in practice, and as their times come down, it's obvious they've done so."

Despite finishing strong in the second place, the Belles feel that they could have done better. Szczechowski said they felt their lack of depth may have hurt them.

"If we had more depth, we could have had a much better chance," said Szczechowski. "But we are improving."

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Mass at Alumni Hall
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Team 13 crowned Bookstore champion

Large field provides intense competition

Not only did this year’s Women’s Bookstore Basketball tournament have more teams entered than any previous year, it also had a lot more competition. It is proof that our generation of women will stay active and competitive beyond high school years.

Fifty-two teams were entered in the tournament with varying levels of experience and athleticism, but there was a lot of energy shown from almost every team. It is great to see that women are gaining so much enthusiasm about the tournament, and we hope to see the entries increase each year.

Congratulations go out to Team 13, who should have had a more original name that would have represented the energy and spirit that the five entries increase each year.

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Football

Rossum to see action in three facets of the game

In Saturday’s Blue-Gold game, senior captain Allen Rossum showed promise on offense as well as defense.

When the Georgia Tech game rolls around Sept. 6, Irish fans will begin to learn who wearing the Blue and Gold will make the biggest impact on the team in the 1997 season.

After his sophomore year, Rossum developed into Bob Davie’s most confident and consistent corner.

This past season, the 5-8 flash wearing No. 15 had his coming-out party on special teams as he energized crowds and was a threat to return it the distance on every return. Last season, Rossum led the nation with a 22.9 yard average while returning three for touchdowns.

For the upcoming season, Davie and the rest of his coaching staff hope to utilize Rossum’s track star speed on more than just defense and special teams. This spring, Rossum has spent time working out with the first team offense at wide out in hopes of finding a home run hitter.

I think Allen can help us a lot on offense,” Davie said. “Anyone can see every time he touches that football why he averages 22 yards.”

Rossum, who will be a senior and one of the three designated captains, is excited about his increased opportunities to get his hands on the pigskin.

“Any football fan can enjoy it. Most of the time the ball is coming to me and I'm not out there to block, so I'm excited,” said Rossum.

In the Blue-Gold scrimmages, Rossum had two receptions and broke free on a reverse, playing parts of the second and fourth quarters of the games with the offense. Rossum showed that he simply needs the ball after returning an interception for 70 yards and a score in last weekend’s game.

Early in the spring, Rossum was still getting his feet wet at the wide out slot. He did take advantage of his time there, increasing his confidence on the offensive side of the ball.

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Baseball

Irish look to clinch division

By BRIAN REINTHALER
Assistant Sports Editor

As the Irish enter their final week of the season, they will be looking to make one last push as they shoot for the Big East Championship.

When Seton Hall swept St. John’s last weekend, Notre Dame clinched a first or second place finish in the conference’s National Division, along with one of the post-season tournament spots. However, the Irish will not be satisfied with just a trip to the tournament as they finished second a year ago.

The Blue and Gold will first attempt to capture their division title and the No. 1 seed in the playoffs. Their magic number for doing so is two.

Any combination of Irish conference wins and Rutgers conference losses totalling zero will do the trick for Notre Dame. Beyond that, they aim to win the Big East post-season championship and thereby advance to the NCAA tournament.

The Irish must take one game at a time, though. That includes tonight’s contest against regional opponent Valparaiso.

Valpo finished third in the Mid-Continent Conference in 1996 and have 28 returning seniors.

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Tracksters warm up at Drake Relays

Knicks advance to second round

Tuesday, April 29, 1997

Baseball vs. Valparaiso, Today, 7 p.m.
Softball vs. Western Michigan, Tomorrow, 4 p.m.
Men’s Lacrosse at Ohio State, May 3, 7 p.m.
Track at Big East Championships, May 3-4
Track at DePauw, May 3, 11 a.m.
Softball vs. Adrian College, Today, 3:30 p.m.