**Death From Above?**

It's not a matter of "if" but it's a matter of "when."

**JAMES SCOTTI**
Spacewatch Astronomer

**Spacewatch program studies and catalogs potentially hazardous near-Earth asteroids**

By ANNE MARIE MATTINGLEY

In early March, scientists of the Spacewatch program at the University of Arizona made headlines as they announced that a near-Earth asteroid, termed "1997XJ11," would cross the Earth's orbit and come within 30,000 miles of the planet, with a collision possible but unlikely.

Later, more accurate calculations by scientists at NASA's Jet Propulsion Lab revealed that the destruction of Earth by collision with an asteroid would not occur any time soon, though such a collision would hardly be a rare astronomical occurrence.

"Things like this happen all the time, just not this big," explained Terrence Rettig, professor of astronomy.

Prior to the existence of the solar system, matter existed only in small, widely dispersed particles. It was collisions between these particles that caused the formation of Earth and the other planets in the solar system, Rettig explained. "Collisions like these formed 'planetesimals,' which developed into the larger modern planets as the colliding particles stuck together," he said.

Near-earth asteroids — those that travel within 1.3 AU (one AU, or astronomical unit, is equivalent to 93 million miles, according to Rettig) — are the type of asteroids studied by Spacewatch, which observes the skies in the hopes of cataloging all projectiles that may collide with the Earth. At present 473, NEAs have been discovered, fewer than one-tenth of the projected total that exist.

"Spacewatch is the name of a group at the University of Arizona's Lunar and Planetary Laboratory," Rettig said. "It can happen to anybody," Duke coach Mike Krzyzewski said. "It's a bomb ready to explode. We should not be surprised when this happens.""
Columbia focuses on counseling in wake of brutal slaying

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NEW YORK

Following Edmund Ku’s arrest Saturday for the murder of his fellow student Lynda Hong, Columbia has focused on minimizing the killing’s effect on students.

Virgil Renzulli, Associate Vice President for Public Affairs, said Columbia has set up several services to help students deal with the tragedy, including counseling services and a new information hotline.

University Counseling and Psychological Services has set up extended office hours. The service was open on the Saturday afternoon immediately following Hong’s murder, according to Richard Erchler, director of the counseling service.

Erchler has worked as counseling services director since 1986 and said he could not say if the effect of Hong’s murder was any more severe on students than similar past tragedies.

Students have come in because they know Lynda Hong, or the events were immediately resonated with their own lives,” Erchler said. “I have seen a lot of undergraduates and graduates both looking for a place to grieve.”

Erchler could not specify exactly how many students he has seen, but he said the number of students coming in to talk has increased. His office usually sees 100 students per day.

Students are coming in with an ammunition of concerns,” Erchler said. “They may not have known the whole story, but it may reawaken old wounds.”

Students are primarily facing feelings of grief, which are harder to overcome than feelings of fear, Erchler said.

“Recovery cannot be said,” Erchler said, “it has to be gone through. Different people handle different things differently.”

The University has also focused on security concerns which have arisen since Friday’s events.

Jimmy Agapitovans lives next door from where Hong was killed, and he said he is not concerned about his safety.

“I always know there is some kind of security threat, but I feel really safe in the area,” Agapitovans said. “I don’t feel like my life is in any danger at all.”

BOULDER, Colo.

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JAMES MADISON UNIVERSITY

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**Eck complex to house student, alumni groups**

By FINN PRESSLY

News Writer

Although its official groundbreaking was not even a year ago, the steep roofs and Gothic towers of the new Eck Center have already begun to punctuate the West Quad skyline.

When completed, the complex will consist of two buildings on Notre Dame Avenue. The structure closest the street will house the headquarters of the Notre Dame Alumni Association and the new Notre Dame Visitors Center.

The larger building will be the new Hammes Notre Dame Bookstores. The new bookstore, to be managed by Follett College Stores, will be twice the size of the existing facility on South Quad.

In addition to its increased size, the store will have a different format. While clothing and Notre Dame paraphernalia will still be offered, the new shop will focus primarily on selling books and academic materials.

"We want people to come in the front door and see nothing but books," said Michael Smith, director of Facilities Engineering. Smith also drew a comparison between the new bookstore and franchise bookstores such as Barnes & Noble Booksellers and Borders Books and Music.

This change comes as a response to Recommendation 17 of the University's Colloquy for the Year 2000, which calls for "a first-class academic bookstore" that features "a full range of scholarly offerings."

The Eck Center is expected to be fully operational in January or February 1999, when it opens for business the existing bookstore facility will be converted to office space. Campus Ministry and First Year of Studies are among the organizations expected to move in.

Frank Eck, a 1944 alumnus, underwrote construction of the new facility with a $10 million gift to the university.

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**Freshmen & Sophomores**

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Asteroids
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Laboratory," the Spacewatch web site explains. "The primary goal is the study of the statistics of asteroids and comets in order to investigate the collisional evolution of the solar system ... The protection of the Earth from asteroid impact is also an important goal.

Asteroids like the 1997XF1, discovered by Spacewatch astronomer James Scotti, are referred to as the "leftovers" of planet formation. Scotti explained that the rocky, metallic bodies are prevented from colliding and forming into a tenth planet by the gravitational forces of Jupiter and are instead referred to as "minor planets" because of their small size, according to the Hawaiian Astronomical Society.
The majority of the tens of thousands of asteroids orbit the sun every three to six years in an elliptical pattern between the planetary orbits of Mars and Jupiter. This congregation of asteroids is referred to as the "asteroid belt.

Scientists believe that most near-Earth asteroids were originally part of an asteroid belt, but were forced out of it by a combination of the gravitational forces of Jupiter and collisions with other asteroids in the belt, the National Space Science Data Center's asteroid fact sheet stated.

At present, 473 near-Earth asteroids have been discovered, according to Scotti.
The large size of 1997XF1 — nearly one kilometer in diameter — merited its classification as a "potentially hazardous asteroid," or PHAs. These asteroids are continually monitored because the patterns of their orbits reveal that the asteroids have the potential to come dangerously close to the Earth in the future, explained Scotti at the Hawaiian- Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics in a press release.

"The effects a meteorite has on the Earth depend on the size, velocity, and where it hits," said Scotti. "Models show that if it hits in some areas, like the Eastern or California coast, it could cause a tsunami of magnitude 5-8 that would destroy Florida. Smaller ones burn up in the atmosphere."

Many scientists believe that one of the "bigger" asteroids to collide with the Earth was responsible for the destruction of the dinosaurs. New Mexico astronomer Jack H. F. Butcher calculated that if the 1997XF1 hit the earth, it would create a crater 30 kilometers in diameter, a cloud of dust that would blot out the sun for weeks; the collision would occur at 38,000 kilometers per hour and the explosion on impact would be 20 times the force of an atomic bomb, according to an article in Time Magazine.

Scotti explained that the collision of a large asteroid with the Earth would not be the direct cause of the resulting destruction; instead, the debris and dust propelled into the atmosphere would cause conditions to be likened to a "nuclear winter.

"It's important to understand this would prevent the growth of crops and other food and famine would be the actual cause of most of the deaths associated with asteroid.

"It's a matter of if, rather than when," said Scotti, referring to the likelihood that an asteroid of large enough size to cause a significant global impact would hit the Earth. "A one kilometer asteroid hits the Earth every few million years; the chances are about one in 300,000 that one will hit during the average person's lifetime," he explained.

Small meteorites hit the surface of the Earth about once every decade, but most are never recorded because they land either in the sea or in remote regions like Antarctica where their impact is not recognized. Asteroids with a diameter of over one kilometer land approximately once every million years, according to the July 1994 issue of Background Information for Science Teachers.

One of these, meteorite, hits the Earth every about one month, and the large number of such craters on the Earth's surface provides ample evidence for the continuous pelting of heavenly bodies by asteroids. Such evidence, however, is not as abundant on the Earth's surface, where erosion and weather can destroy significant craters.

When large meteorites impact with the Earth, the heat from the meteoroid, which may have effects similar to those of a nuclear weapon, may be utilized to direct the course of an asteroid, Scotti said that deflection techniques are possible.

"If a meteor is going to hit the Earth, you don't want to shatter it," he explained. "If you can destroy a nuclear weapon with one kilometer away, and the blast radius is one kilometer, it vaporizes some of the rock on the asteroid, causing it to fly off and push the asteroid the other way."

But he also stated that if the asteroid is discovered a week, a year or even a decade before its scheduled impact, humanity can "forget it," claiming that at least a few decades would be required to prepare to use deflection techniques.

Scotti also said that other, non-nuclear methods are being developed, including a "mass driver," which would rack off the back of the asteroid to propel it, much like the system that moves the space shuttle. In this way, scientists would direct the movement of the asteroid. Other possibilities include using lasers or focusing sunlight, both of which may have effects similar to those of a nuclear weapon.

If techniques to control the motion of the asteroid are developed, Scotti believes that these may be utilized to direct the course of asteroids for different purposes.

"If we can control it, we can push it into orbit for a space station, mine it for its resources, use it to collect solar power in space or bring back the whole thing," he explained. "It's easier to get it to and from the moon; moon travel requires lots of energy and is more expensive. Asteroids don't have any gravity, so its easier to get back."

The Borrar Meteor Crater in Arizona is a 1.2 kilometers in diameter and 163 meters deep. It was created 50,000 years ago by a meteorite composed primarily of nickel and iron, which probably survived intact until impact, when it was pulverized and vaporized. The explosion from the impact was equivalent to detonating 15 million tons of TNT.
BAGHDAD, Iraq

In the first test of a U.N. agreement forged to avert a military strike against Iraq, weapons inspectors spent eight hours Thursday going over parts of a presidential estate previously declared off-limits to inspectors, diplomats said.

Hussein

Romania's foreign minister, Horst Holthoff of Germany, described Russian cooperation as "fantastic, absolutely positive." Accompanied by diplomats from 20 countries, U.N. arms inspectors visited President Saddam Hussein's Radwaniyah Palace, a complex estimated to be about 6.9 square miles. The palace is the largest of eight presidential sites from which Iraq previously had barred inspectors, claiming them to be symbols of national sovereignty.

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Colombian guerrillas take American hostage

BOGOTA, Colombia

Leftist guerrillas were holding four Americans and an Italian kidnaped at a toothbrush factory on a highway south of old Bogota, their leader said Thursday. The government said at least 20 people were taken hostage. The Americans-three men and a woman—were on a bird-watching trip when the rebels captured them about 25 miles north of Bogota. The rebel leader, in a separate car, "we have four Americans and we have an Italian," said Commander Romana, the local leader of the country's largest rebel group, the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia. The guerrillas demanded the government release at least several dozen rebel prisoners and the<br>

MOMBASA, Kenya

A fire raged through a school dormitory early Thursday, killing at least 25 schoolgirls and injuring 29 others as they struggled to unlock doors. An electrical short was believed to have caused the fire at the Bolambula Secondary School where 144 girls had been sleeping. Most of the victims died of burns, others died when the wooden roof collapsed or were crushed in the stampede to escape. At dawn, rescuers gathered the charred bones of the 15- and 16-year-olds and placed them in body bags. Wearing parents gathered outside the dormitory, now a skeleton of blackened bricks.

4 Indonesians killed in camp riots

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SEMNETH DETENTION CAMPS, Malaysia

Indonesians at a detention camp for illegal aliens rioted and set fire to their barracks yesterday as police prepared to deport them. At least four people died.

A human rights group, SUARAM, said at least five Indonesians were killed. People living near the camp said that fires were set inside throughout the night, and that several minutes of shooting ensued when police finally tried to enter. The witnesses said they saw plastic police shields covered with blood. Riots were reported in at least three other detention camps yesterday. Malaysia's 10 detention camps for illegal aliens have been badly overcrowded since the government began a crackdown against undocumented workers — an increasing problem in Asia's economic crisis.

Hussein

Malaysian authorities have deported nearly 19,000 illegal aliens since January, 0f Malaysia's 8 million labor force, 3 million are migrant workers, half of them Indonesians.

Ghazali said the government was now targeting them for deportation and 282 had been taken from the Senemyth camp.

"They have been staying here too long," he said.

SUARAM, calling on the United Nations and Red Cross to intervene, said there were at least 290 Acehnese refugees in the Senemyth camp "who are in imminent danger of returning to Achen, where they risk torture."

House links abortion to spending bill

WASHINGTON

In a pair of key foreign policy votes, the House linked abortion restrictions to a major State Department bill Thursday while the Senate overruled President Clinton's request for $15 billion for the International Monetary Fund.

The Senate IME vote was a victory for the administration, the House action a setback.

The House-passed bill on providing money to international family-planning organizations that advocate abortion rights already has drawn the threat of a presidential veto.

House Speaker Newt Gingrich, R-Ga., urged Clinton late Thursday to drop his veto threat despite the abortion restrictions, noting that the measure also included payment of back U.N. dues Clinton had sought. "It is now your turn to lead," Mr. President, by signing this bill that you have requested," Gingrich wrote.

Meanwhile, the Senate voted 84-16 to attach the IMF package designed to help the international lending agency weather the heavy demands from the Asian economic crisis—to a military support and disaster relief bill.

Including the IMF funds, the Senate at odds with House Republican leaders. The House leaders want to treat the IMF package later and separate from the emergency spending bill, which is already heavily laden with new programs and spending items.

The votes came as a flurry of legislative activity on some of the administration's top international priorities. While the spending bill would help pay for troop deployments in Bosnia and the Persian Gulf, the House-passed legislation would authorize the payment of nearly $1 billion in back dues to the United Nations and support a host of State Department programs.

But opponents of the House bill—including most Democrats and the Clinton administration—complained about the abortion curbs and said they would drive more women in developing nations into poverty.

Bp. Henry Hyde, R-Ill., an outspoken abortion foe, countered: "American money should not go for killing unborn children, even if they're Third World unborn children, especially if they're Third World unborn children."

In the end, the legislation was passed by voice vote. However, a procedural vote that allowed the bill to be debated showed 234-172 support.

The measure now goes to the Senate for a final vote.

The Senate approval of the IMF package came after Appropriations Committee Chairman Ted Stevens, R-Alaska, said failure to deal with the issue now could rock financial markets around the world. "If we don't act, the country better get ready for a slide," he said in U.S. stock prices, Stevens said.

The package includes $3.6 billion for IMF loan guarantees and $14.5 billion for the U.S. portion of IMF reserves. It includes conditions aimed to win the support of the administration.
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Prosecutors said a reserve basketball player, Matthew Purdy, also agreed to participate in the scheme and was named as an unindicted co-conspirator. Former football player Brian Ballerini was charged with accepting bets on sporting events from other Northwestern athletes, including Lee. The charges against Ballerini include an accusation he threatened to harm Lee if he did not pay a gambling debt.

Lassar said Ballerini and Lee were cooperating with prosecutors and were expected to plead guilty. None of those named in the indictments were available for comment. Prosecutors said they believed Lee lived in Louisville, Ky., and Williams in Chicago, but they did not know what they do for a living.

William Saum, an NCAA gambling specialist, said illegal sports betting is a problem "on virtually every campus in America."
Luther named retreat director

By JESSICA LOGAN
News Writer

On August 1 Anne Luther will assume her position as the executive director of Retreats International, a service organization based at Notre Dame and an integral part of the University's Institute for Pastoral and Social Ministry.

For the past 16 years, Luther has served as the executive director of Claret Center in Chicago. The center offers psychotherapy and spiritual direction to individuals, couples and families who are experiencing difficulties. Professionals working at the center work to integrate the two disciplines of psychology and spiritual direction.

Among Luther's goals for the Retreats International are the continuation of the successful Summer Institutes on the Notre Dame campus. These annual events bring over 40 faculty members to lecture on topics such as "Spiritual Direction" and "Reconstructing Catholicism for a New Generation."

"The institute has been a really positive experience because of all of the wonderful people that have been involved," Luther said. She also plans to "continue to provide the resources that support and motivate all of those involved with Retreats International."

"I'd really like to visit all of the different retreat centers across the country as soon as possible," she said.

Luther's extensive involvement with Claret Center has provided her with considerable experience in facilitating staffs and ministry teams and in planning and evaluating programs.

"My experience seems to fit into what the job with Retreats International calls for," Luther said. "Meeting with the board was like a conversation in which a whole lot of sharing took place."

Regarding her feelings about her new appointment, Luther said that it will be difficult to leave Claret Center after her 16 years of intense involvement.

"It has really been a discernment process for me," she explained. "I'm really happy to be meeting people at Notre Dame. I'm feeling a lot of awe and excitement."

Luther received an master's degree in Religious Studies and a Doctorate of Ministry degree in Pastoral Counseling from the Graduate Theological Foundation. She is also currently an adjunct professor in the Institute of Pastoral Studies at Loyola University, in Chicago, Illinois.
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Engineering names new dean

By COLLEEN MURPHY

The University of Notre Dame's College of Engineering has named Frank Incropera as the new dean of the college.

Incropera is currently head of the School of Mechanical Engineering at Purdue University.

Incropera will succeed Anthony Michel, who held the endowed professorship in engineering for 10 years.

"Frank Incropera is a superbly gifted scholar, teacher and administrator who brings a wealth of experience to Notre Dame's College of Engineering," said Pravost Nathaniel Hatch in announcing Incropera's appointment.

"He also demonstrates a keen understanding of the college's unique mission and challenges and will be most able to move it to the next level of national prominence," he continued.

Incropera will join the University faculty on July 1. Incropera knew and understood the mission of Notre Dame as a Catholic university striving to be a great university. He's being a good leader, said Michael Seelig, a graduate student in Aerospace and Mechanical Engineering and a member of the committee that chose the new dean.

A member of the National Academy of Engineering, Incropera has directed a number of sponsored programs and written eight books and more than 190 journal articles.

He has also won several teaching awards, including the American Society of Engineering Education Ralph Coats Roe Award for teaching excellence. He was also honored by the Alexander von Humboldt Foundation, receiving its prestigious Senior Scientist Award.

Incropera has served as head of the department of mechanical engineering at Purdue since 1989. Before that he was assistant dean for research and graduate programs, as well as chair of the heat and mass transfer area of mechanical engineering.

Incropera received his bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering in 1961 from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He then went on to Stanford University to earn both his master's and doctoral degrees in the same field in 1962 and 1966, respectively.

Incropera has been a visiting professor and researcher at such institutions as the National Aeronautics and Space Administration Ames Research Center, the University of California at Berkeley, and universities in Munich, Germany, and Pisa, Italy.
Starr’s Sideshow Hits New Low in White House Investigation

Gary J. Caruso

Can anyone remember when the comely and congenial politeness ended between the two sides? Initially, independent counsel Kenneth Starr and his staff respected accustomed President and Mrs. Clinton’s schedules when in testing Staro, allowed to them answer questions from the White House of or at least, one day last year he subpoenaed Mrs. Clinton to appear in person at the U.S. District Courthouse. His demand crumpled the respect traditionally shown for any first lady. That day marked the beginning of when all hell broke loose between the White House and independent counsel. Now that hell has ultimately affected the lives of the staffs of each as well as the reporters covering the story.

Forcing Mrs. Clinton to participate in the circus-like atmosphere outside the grand jury’s courtroom infuriated the First Lady in their minds, Starr had declared war on them. While others may have been found to have done worse, Babcock, travel office, or Fourth of July suicide episodes, Starr’s investigation staff had not found the Clintons culpable. When the Paula Jones sexual harassment suit became the next hurdle for the President to encounter, Starr’s demeanor changed. So to the Clintons thinking, Starr had nothing on them but was attempting to vindicate his own existence by collaborating with the Jones attorneys.

Hardball politics can be the fiercest most vicious form of combat as recently demonstrated by the subpoena issued to White House media counsel Sidney Blumenthal. Outraged that Starr would ask him to identify the reporters with whom he had spoken, Blumenthal publicly chided Starr after appearing before the grand jury. However, the March 30 issue of The Nation contains a report that Blumenthal had been spreading rumors that some of Starr’s staff and certain reporters covering the scandal were closeted gays. Columnist Doug Ireland suggests that Blumenthal’s motive was to try to discourage further pursuit of the allegations that the President had sexual relations with female White House staffers.

Observers have criticized Starr for becoming so angry about rumors involving his staff and himself that he subpoenaed Blumenthal. However, while it is yet unknown what questions were asked of or answers given by Blumenthal, he has vigorously denied that he was responsible for any of the rumors about Starr or his staff. Blumenthal has called those allegations “a complete lie” and “totally false.”

Ironically, Starr’s investigative staff first injected gay issues into the Whitewater probe in 1993. They interviewed openly gay White House appointee Bob Hattoy, asking him specifically about the Clinton administration’s efforts to hire gay people. According to Hattoy, assistant to Starr asked him about his job to recruit homosexuals at the White House and in the government.

Noting that he was stunned by the line of questioning, Hattoy said that it struck him as reminiscent of the 1950s when the FBI and other agencies “outed” gays in the government. Hattoy said he teased the questioners by saying, “We hired gays everywhere.”

Some wonder why the independent counsel would even venture into the area of sexual preference. Were they trying to “uncover” various sexual mistests in the administration’s hiring policy? These critics of Starr point to Clinton’s goal of making the government representative of American society by including every type of talented and qualified social and ethnic minority, including gays.

Starr’s public record is one generally hostile toward gay people. As Solicitor General for the Bush administration, he opposed a gay man suing his insurance company which would pay up to $1 million for every illness except AIDS. Starr assisted the military in preparing its defense of its old policy banning gays. He also argued that the government had a right to use “outrageous” practices beyond current law to investigate a bisexual officer’s sexual interest in teenagers.

To date, no names of Starr staffers or reporters at the courthouse have surfaced as being closeted gays. None of Starr’s staff has resigned, nor have any blown the whistle covering the White House case stopped pursuing information regarding the allegations against the President. However, it is almost certain that the issues raised by both sides will remain some of the more interesting and offbeat sideshows evolving from the case.

Hopefully, Starr will not confuse the issue of one’s sexual preference with the real issues that he should pursue, namely concerns about any obstruction of justice or perjury.

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RA’s Just Warden Puppets

Over the last three years, you have learned one of life’s most important lessons, and you have finally figured out how to survive at Notre Dame. You have learned how to balance your academics and your social life. All right, how to survive at Notre Dame: You have learned how to most important lessons, and you have finally figured out and while you are not Notre Dame’s brightest, you are Notre Dame’s Most Valuable; you have your “stuff” together.

Bob Kerr is a sophomore English major. His column appears every other Friday.

You are everything that is expected of a Notre Dame student, but you are different. The stereotype isn’t big enough for you because when people say, “He’s a great guy,” you really are. You know how to apply your knowledge and principles in real life situations.

The problem: some rectors have confused or forgotten the purpose of their positions. The responsibility is huge, but essentially, the hall staff’s purpose is to foster the growth of the residents and promote the family tradition. The key words are “foster” and “promote.” This involves more than “protecting” and “maintaining.”

If the rector is more concerned with his appearance and the image of the dorm than the welfare of his residents, he will inevitably select a staff that is also out of touch with real, internal issues. He needs control. At that point, it’s “us against them” and you can forget about family tradition.

He would have voted for you, but you aren’t puppet material, and judging from your character and popularity, you don’t have much potential. You have taken the time to lift your nose from the books and take the brave step outside your own room, so your peers know who you are. You aren’t a jerk, and that’s dangerous because you don’t enjoy working behind the scenes and reporting to the “warden.”

You are confident, and people listen when you speak up, so you could have revealed his duality or political motivations. Someday he wants an office in the main building, so he needs to maintain the dorm’s image at all costs, and an individual like yourself threatens his motivations. Someday he wants an office in the main building, so he needs to maintain the dorm’s image at all costs, and an individual like yourself threatens his motivations.

Your problem: Some rectors are not looking for “great guys” that know how to stand up and get the job done. Some rectors are looking for the guys that are familiar with the words “yes” and “master.” He didn’t vote for you because he knows he’ll never wrap you around his finger.

Why won’t you be an RA next year? Either they took you to the family” out of Notre Dame, or your rector made another bad decision.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

An Open Letter to Malloy

I was deeply saddened to learn of the recent suspension and resignation of Rev. David A. Garrick, C.S.C. The chronology of events leading up to his suspension implicates the University’s cooperation in the discriminatory behavior clearly outlawed by the policy statement “The Spirit of Inclusion at Notre Dame.” I believe that the Notre Dame community deserves a more complete explanation from you and from Campus Ministry Director Rev. Richard Warner of the events surrounding Rev. Garrick’s removal from his duties than has been offered so far.

I am very concerned that hypocrisy, instead of a real spirit of inclusion, drives much of Notre Dame’s policy when it comes to hiring, firing, or fostering a Christian-based approach to differences among students, faculty, and alumni. For example, when I was a Notre Dame freshman in the fall of 1970, I was simultaneously proud of being a Notre Dame student and embarrassed by and ashamed of the rampant anti-Semitism and misogyny that thrived in my dorm and in my classes. Food as many of my memories of my years at Notre Dame are, they are forever contaminated by the hatreds, insults, and personal abuses to which I daily here witness as a member of the Notre Dame family. Nonetheless, among so many other hatreds, the hatred of gay people was so extreme that even admitting to being gay was unthinkable. The fear I felt at Notre Dame of being ostracized for using the word “gay” to describe me or anyone else was as oppressive a form of self-denial as I have ever known.

Luckily, the world is now a different place from the one I knew in 1974, as is Notre Dame. I am therefore saddened that, instead of encouraging voices of tolerance and understanding, Notre Dame still punishes honest men and women who attempt to speak on an issue about which the University has an ignoble legacy of silence, disavowal, and rejection. I almost feel as did Thoreau when he wrote “GALA-ND/SMC, an organization instead of recognizing University’s gay students. We join in the hope that Father Garrick’s protest will open the minds and hearts of the officers and Trustees of the University to the truth that Campus Ministry’s control over communications with and among gay students is destructive to both the community’s spiritual growth and the University’s academic reputation.

We invite Father Malloy and Father Warner to reconsider Father Garrick’s suspension in light of the new “Spirit of Inclusion” policy. If a same-sex faculty or staff is not welcome to preach in the church at the spiritual heart of our community, then the “Spirit of Inclusion” has no meaning.

Meanwhile, we want to assure the students, faculty, and staff and alumnus of Notre Dame and Saint Mary’s that Father Garrick does not stand alone. As members of GALA-ND/SMC, we know too well the ways in which gay and lesbian students, faculty, and staff have been diminished and suppressed. GALA-ND/SMC stands firmly behind Father Garrick, and urges all of you, whether gay or straight, to take up his ministry. While we regret that he must leave campus for a time to tend, we have faith that another will eventually take his place to preach that spiritual wholeness is not based upon who you love but rather how much love you bring to this world.

Thomas R. Zahn ’67
Chair, GALA-ND/SMC
March 26, 1998
Scene Writer

By MATTHEW LOUGHRAN

south Bend on St. Patrick's night seemed like a winter night in Dublin. Cold rain pelted down on cobblestone walkways as people ran to the theater to avoid being drenched.

A funny walk into the State Theater on that night would have been treated to an atmosphere similar to a rainy day in Ireland. A thin crowd filled the seats, trying to avoid being drenched.

Celtic music, Irish dancing, beer and appreciative shouts from the crowd greeted the doors as the members of the band entered the warm red and gold interior of the aptly named State Theater which, on that evening, played host to a performance of the Celtic Fiddle Festival.

The musicians that make up the Celtic Fiddle Festival are not all Irish, nor do they claim to be an established group. The three label themselves as independent performers that tour together. Each plays an individual set and then the three play a joint set to end the show.

But before the Celtic Fiddlers took the stage, John Kennedy and The Bent Tin Whistle Band played a number of traditional Irish tunes accompanied by the young and talented members of The World Academy of Irish Dance.

At the end of his set, Kennedy introduced Rosie McCormick who took the audience to the break with an acapella version of the world-famous Irish classic "Danny Boy." McCormick hit every note without fail and left the members of the audience absolutely silent until she finished a roar of approval.

During this intermission, the Notre Dame Bagpipe Band kept the crowd entertained with two or three melodies and the road crew set up for the Celtic fiddlers.

The first of the three fiddlers, Christian Lemaitre, who is from the island of France, at times had difficulty communicating with the audience.

"I could speak in French, but I am afraid that many of you would not understand," he said before launching into his first tune. "So instead I think that I will speak directly to you and try to be as simple as possible." He responded by clapping and hooting along to the rhythm of the song.

The second set of the show opened with a solo set by Kevin Burke, the only Irish member of the group. He let loose with a few Irish jigs, much to the appreciation of the crowd.

After Burke rapped up his section, the other two fiddlers came onstage to join him in bringing the evening to a conclusion. All three traded solos and duos on traditional Irish tunes accompanied by the young and talented members of The World Academy of Irish Dance. The musicians that make up the Celtic Fiddle Festival, Christian Lemaitre, Johnny Cunningham, Kevin Burke and McCormick who took the audience to the break with an acapella version of the world-famous Irish classic "Danny Boy." McCormick hit every note without fail and left the members of the audience absolutely silent until she finished a roar of approval.

Adding that he believes Scots are "never happy unless we're not pleased," he launched into a beautiful haunting melody that captivated the audience.

But Cunningham's melancholy mood did not last much longer as he kicked his performance into high gear with a number of reels and jigs. The audience responded by clapping and hooting along to the rhythm of the song.

As the festivities for the evening wound down and people filed back out into the cold, hard rain, everyone left with a smile on his face and a fond memory of a St. Patrick's night well spent.

As a footnote, the show was sponsored by The Shamrock Club, Cragan's Irish Import Store, The Irish Rose Tea Room, The Oliver Inn Bed and Breakfast, The Joy of Ireland, 88.1 WVPE-FM and I'll Learn To Fly Productions, Kennedy's own production company.

Future Celtic music productions in the State Theater include Natalie MacMaster on April 29 at 7:30 p.m. and Carrie Newcomber on May 30 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are on sale now at the State Theater box office and at Cragan's Irish Imports.

If MacMaster's performance is anything like this past one, you will not want to miss it.

Photos by Jeff Hsu for The Observer

The St. Patrick's night concert in the State Theater featured three different aspects of Celtic musical tradition:

Top: The Celtic Fiddle Festival wows the crowd with the speed of their bows. The group, consisting of (from left) Christian Lemaitre, Johnny Cunningham, Kevin Burke and guitarist Tony MacManus, have played to sold out shows across the country.

Above: A member of The Notre Dame Bagpipe Band entertains the audience during the intermission.

Left: The World Academy of Irish Dance (from left: Tara Ladewski, Mary Ladewski, Trish Daren, Sarah Daren and Erin Darel) bounces to the music of John Kennedy and the Bent Tin Whistle Band. The band includes Nolen Ladewski (left, with whistle) and Joel Cooper, director of Information Technologies at Saint Mary's College (right, with bass guitar).

Fiddlers in the State

A Frenchman, a Scotsman and an Irishman walk into a theater, impress St. Patrick's Day crowd with laughter and Celtic folk tunes
Music is as ancient as the human desire for expression. Songs and melodies are a poetry designed to speak across language and cultural barriers. As an expression, music is a reflection of experience it, throughout time or place. Those who create it as well as those who experience it, those who recover it, those who enjoy it, those who continue to be on the part of composers, performers, audiences.

Having recently joined with Universal Records in the United States, Celtic Heartbeat is promoting traditional Irish music, interpreted by younger performers. Two of their latest releases, the second Celtic Heartbeat compilation album and the debut recording of Spirit of Eden, are excellent examples of what the genre of Celtic music is going to be like in the future.

The first album, The Celtic Heartbeat Collection 2, is everything that a premier into Celtic music ought to be. Containing exactly what it's name suggests, the album is a collection that represents the diversity of Celtic music available today. From very traditional reels, jigs, and airs, to a contemporary songexpressing desire for peace, Celtic Heartbeat is promoting traditional Irish and Scottish dance music.

The second album, Spirit of Eden, is a very traditional realm of Celtic begin with the air "The Flowers of Mallow", performed by the pre-Zooropa band. A traditional Irish bodhran, played with the song's theme of peace. Contributions for the more traditional realm of Celtic music, the album sat on the top of the world charts for six months.

Spiral of Eden's songs seem to be typified by a desire to top as much as possible into into one song, yet these best songs are those which are the simplest. Celtic Heartbeat shows that it deserves the honor of leading world record label, and it serves to create atmosphere that melds easily with the song's theme of peace. Furthermore, it serves to create an overall soothing tone that melds easily with the song's theme of peace.

The Celtic Heartbeat Collection 2 Various artists Universal Records

**Hoobastock: George and the Freeks reincarnated**

By KRISTI KLITSCH

George and the Freeks were an active part of the campus music scene during its heyday in 1995 and 1996, but graduation inevitably broke the band up last May.

All was not lost, and this weekend four members of George and the Freeks are returning to South Bend under a new name: Hoobastock.

Hoobastock is composed of ex-Freks Mike Larmoyeux on the bass guitar, ex-Freks Dan Cohen on the guitar and vocals, ex-Freks and University of Virginia graduate Chris McKeown on the drums and currently University of Maryland student Jeff Cohen on the keyboard.

For their reunion tour, ex-Freks Andy Brune will be replacing Cohen on the keyboard.

The band played yesterday at the Alumni-Stadium Pub, will play tonight at 610 St. Peter's St. in South Bend and tomorrow at South's Pub.

The formation of Hoobastock is long and detailed, but it shows the determinants of music. When Larmoyeux and McKeown graduated from Notre Dame in 1996, they wanted to continue playing music. They decided to stay in South Bend and live with the junior members of George and the Freeks, who would be playing for their senior year at Notre Dame.

At this point the remaining members of the Freks played through the 1996-97 academic year, and Larmoyeux worked in South Bend during the time.

When the youngest members of the band graduated last May, Larmoyeux, McKenna and Cohen, decided to move to Washington, D.C. to work and start a new band.

"We moved to D.C. because Doug and Chris have family there," Larmoyeux says.

The three decided to form a new band named Clifford, and they played until Christmas under that name. Then, after New Year's, the three found Cohen, a current University of Maryland student, and formed the band "Coddie.

Hoobastock "The name's a great mystery," Larmoyeux said. "We tried to get people figure it out."

The band has played at parties and bars in the Washington, D.C. area, and hoping to gain more exposure in the next few months.

The music of Hoobastock is all original, and Larmoyeux describes it as "jazzy, funky and a mix of all the styles that we are interested in."

According to Larmoyeux, the trip to South Bend is their only tour right now, but they hope to eventually play up and down the East coast, including New York, Boston and North Carolina.

The band is very excited to return to their alma mater, and hope the publicity will help them.

"We've all been back before for football games, but this is the first time we have been back as a band," Larmoyeux said.

Looking to spread the word about your band without having to post a thousand fliers around campus? The Observer Music Scene is interested in knowing about upcoming shows, campus band news and a whole lot of other stuff. Contact us at the Music Scene at nmusic@hotmail.com.
**Hockey**

Irish hockey program builds on successful season

By TED BASSANI

In the 1997-98 Irish hockey season, Head Coach Dave Poulin and his staff made great strides toward establishing Notre Dame as a force to be reckoned with on the national scene, which is arguably the strongest hockey conference in the country.

Following a disappointing '96-97 campaign that saw the Irish fall victim to 12 goal losses en route to a 9-25-3 record (6-8-1 CCHA), the Irish put together some impressive weekends against top 10 hockey powers.

By season's end, the Irish had doubled the number of overall wins as well as conference wins from a year ago (18-19-4, 12-4-4 CCHA), and were rewarded with the school's first appearance in the CCHA postseason tournament for three years.

First, individual and team accomplishments are worth noting. Junior Aniket Libal, who was named to the CCHA All-Rookie Team honors as the distinction, finished the CCHA Rookie of the Year, which is selected by the 11 CCHA members.

For goal, in the Irish, senior Matt Eisler and junior Forrest Karr proved to be a steady duo all season long, which helped the Irish earn 11 road wins.

Eaton's most impressive performances came in the playoff series versus Michigan, where he and the rest of the Irish pushed the Wolverines to the brink of elimination with an dominating 4-2 win in the series opener at Yost Arena.

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this year's tournament. The Bookstore Committee also
addressed the problems of pre-
vious years concerning racial
tensions between players and
fans. As a result, the Committee
has adopted a “zero tolerance”
policy. The Committee increased
the number of security personnel
to assist the Commissioners with
crowd control. Furthermore, at
the beginning of each game
every team member must sign a
form stating that they “under-
stand and acknowledge the
rules outlined by the Bookstore
Committee.” This will be the
only warning for the players
and any altercation could result
in player ejection or team for-
feit. “Last year we had some prob-
lems,” executive commissioner
Mark Huffman said. “This has to
do with the administration and
we don’t want to have these
incidents this year. So, commis-

sions will be by the book.”
Notre Dame’s only real bas-
ketball madness will begin after
March, as the preliminary
rounds start April 4.

COORDINATOR OF YOUTH MINISTRY needed to implement a
ministry responsive to the spiritual, personal and social needs of
Catholic youth in a middle-class 2500 family parish in Baton Rouge,
LA. An integral part of this ministry will include recruitment, develop-
ment and training of volunteer youth workers and collaborative
work with a large parish staff consisting of clergy, religious and lay
persons. The ideal candidate will possess a minimum of three years’
experience in working with teenagers, and a degree in theology,
ministry, pastoral studies, communications, guidance, or the
equivalent in education and/or experience. Benefits include medical
and disability insurance and retirement plan. Send resume and refer-
ences no later than April 15, 1998 to: St. Thomas More Catholic
Church, 11441 Goodwood Blvd., Baton Rouge, LA 70815; or FAX
at (504) 275-1407, Attn: Father John Carville. You can also con-
tact us by e-mail at STM02@compuserve.com.

SPO R T S B R I EFS

Golf Scramble — Stanford
Hall will be sponsoring a
ten-hole golf scramble on
April 16 for teams of four.
The fee is $35 per group.
For more information call
Gene at 4-2049.

ND Tai Chi/Kung Fu Club
— meets every Sunday at
the Rockne Memorial, 10
a.m. to noon in room 219.
The club teaches northern
Shao lin internal martial
arts, which include Tang-
style Tai Chi Chuan and
“Five Families Five Animals”
internal Kung Fu. Classes
are non-competitive, and all
are welcome to attend
regardless of prior training.
If the above time is inconve-
nient or if you want more
information, please call Too
at 4-3013 or e-mail
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Drop-In Volleyball —
RecSports will be sponsoring
Drop-In Volleyball every
Wednesday night for the rest
of the semester. Play will be
from 8 to 11 p.m. in the
Rolls Sports Recreation Center. Come by yourself or
bring a friend. Open to all
Notre Dame students, faculty
and staff.

Modern Dance —
RecSports will be sponsoring a
Modern Dance class that will
meet Sundays from 3 to
4:30 p.m. and Wednesdays
from 8 to 9 p.m. in Activity
Room 2 of the Rolls Sports
Recreation Center. You must
register in advance for the
class and sign-ups began
March 19 at RecSports. The
fee is $20 and no experience
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attacker Ben Savage discussed what his squad concentrated on.

"Our work in practice was on doing the little things," Savage said. "We spent a lot of time on goal scoring, completing the offensive attack."

Completing the drives on offense with a goal and completing the defensive attacks at the midfield before they start will give the Irish the jump they need as they prepare to face Great Western Lacrosse League rivals Ohio State and Butler next week.

In the series between the Irish and Hobart, the Irish have won all five meetings, though the last two years Notre Dame has only won by an overtime goal. Though the game has been moved from Hobart's home venue, Boswell Field, due to snow, this game is their home opener.

They can say whatever they want as far as confidence goes, but we know we're gonna kick them around," said Seaman. A win will boot the Irish to the top of their game, though as Corrigan said, "[Through practices] this week, we've accomplished that we are a better team."

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Northeastern Illinois dominated the first two innings of the nightcap, taking a 6-1 lead into the middle of the third. But Notre Dame stormed back with four runs in the bottom of the third and six runs in the fourth. The top five hitters in Notre Dame's lineup went 10-for-18 with seven RBI and nine runs scored.

Brant Ust again played hero, sending an Archie Vetter delivery in the fourth beyond the left field fence for his second homer of the day and his fifth of the season.

"For a couple of games, two and a half games really, we weren't playing like a winning team," said head coach Paul Mainieri. "What we need to do is hit in the clutch ... and for two-and-a-half games we hadn't been doing that."

"It seemed like as soon as we got one clutch hit, the clutch hits all started coming in big groups," said Mainieri. "I think we've turned it around with the second half of yesterday's ball game, and hopefully we'll start hitting more in the clutch."

If the Irish have reversed their fortune, it couldn't have come at a better time. The team faces Indiana Tech in a rematch tomorrow afternoon at Frank Eck Stadium before hosting Big East rival Georgetown in a twinbill on Saturday and in one game on Sunday.

The Warriors' foiled the Irish with ace Ken Fischer on Wednesday, but will need more than one hurler to tame the new-found Notre Dame attack.

"(Indiana Tech] took us 11 innings last year, and then beat us 7-2 the other day, so we'd like to get 'em back," said Felker. "It is definitely good [to be playing well], especially with the conference season starting this weekend."
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"The human loves can be glorious images of Divine love."
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Monday, March 30

Love: All in the Family
The unconditional love that unites parent and child, brother and sister creates the bond that is family.

Presenters: Mrs. Audrey Brosnan, Siena Heights College and Notre Dame students. Music provided by Coro Primavera

Thursday, April 2

Love: It Had to be You
The love that brings together man and woman is rooted in God’s tender love.

Presenters: Rev. Paul Doyle, C.S.C., Rector of Dillon Hall and Notre Dame faculty and staff. Music provided by Voices of Faith

Monday, April 6

Love: I'll Be There For You
Friendship is the instrument by which God reveals God's deep and abiding love for us.

Presenters: Rev. Michael Baxter, C.S.C., Department of Theology and Notre Dame staff and students. Music provided by members of the Contemporary Choir

Morrissey Manor Chapel
7:00-8:30 PM

Each session will be an evening of prayer and music, presentation, reflection and discussion. Refreshments will be served. Students are welcome to attend all three sessions or as many of the three they can attend.
Irish netters hold off Wolverine attack for victory

By TIM CASEY
Sports Writer

Sometimes the test of how good a team is, lies in how they deal with pressure of being behind.

This is exactly what happened to the women's tennis team on Wednesday in a match at Michigan. In a rare midweek away match, the 18th ranked Irish held off 28th ranked Michigan, winning 5-4.

Notre Dame won the first four singles matches with ease before Michigan came back to win the final two singles matches.

In doubles play, the Irish fell behind 3-0 to each eight game pro-set before the second doubles team of Martisa Velasco and Michelle Dasso pulled out an 8-5 victory to ensure their team's win.

"We played alright for a middle of the week match, which we usually don't play," head coach Jay Louderback said. "Some of the girls were tired, but we hung in there."

All four of the singles wins for the Irish were in straight sets. Michelle Dasso defeated Michigan sophomore Danielle Lund by a 6-3, 6-2 margin at second singles. Lund is a solid player who previously compiled a 16-5 record this year before Michigan came back to even the match points against Georgia.

Michigan sophomore Danielle Lund was solid against a good opponent, said Louderback. "She was solid against a good opponent."

The fourth of the Irish's victory in singles was the most impressive. Sophomore Kelly Zalinski bounced back from a couple of recent losses, to score a 6-4, 6-4 victory over Michigan's Siera Moon.

"Kelly rebounded nicely after a couple of tight losses recently," Louderback said. "Moon was the number two player for Michigan last year, so this is a good win for Kelly."

Michigan came back after losing the first four matches to record victories at first and sixth singles. Brooke Hart defeated ND's number one player Jennifer Hall in straight sets, 6-3, 6-2, while at sixth singles Jen Boylan beat Kelley Orton 6-7, 6-3, 6-0.

Coach Louderback saw the momentum shift to Michigan after their victories. "They had momentum at the end of singles which carried over to the beginning of doubles," she said.

The duo of Velasco and Dasso, who both recorded singles victories, battled back from an early 3-0 deficit to gain the Irish's fifth and deciding point.

"Marisa and Michelle didn't panic after being down early," Louderback said. "There was a large crowd watching their match and they didn't let it affect them. They played smart and pulled out a very big win for us."

The 32-5 Irish return to action this Saturday, when they play host to the University of Kentucky. Kentucky is currently ranked 24th in the nation and are 8-4 thus far this year.

The two teams met a year ago at Kentucky with the Wildcats nipping the Irish by a 5-4 margin.

In last year's match, five of the singles matches featured players who will be competing this Saturday, with Notre Dame winning two of the five.

Jennifer Hall beat Massouneh Emami while Kelly Zalinski defeated Christy Sigurzki for the two Irish singles victories.

Coach Louderback sees this match as a good test for his talented team.

"Kentucky lost a tight 5-4 match to Georgia this year, who is ranked third in the country," he said. "They had multiple match points against Georgia but couldn't capitalize. They have a deep lineup with not much difference in ability from one through six. They also feature very good athletes, so this should be a good matchup for us."
Notre Dame tracksters gear up for busy weekend

By KATHLEEN O'BRIEN

The Notre Dame track and field team will seek to divide and conquer this weekend by splitting its athletes up and sending them to three different meets.

Members of the Fighting Irish will compete in the Purdue Invitational, the Stanford Invitational, and the Alabama Relays in the kick-off to the outdoor track season. The meets in Stanford and Alabama will include competitors from up to 40 schools, while Purdue has invited about 15 teams. The Purdue Invitational is held today and tomorrow, and Stanford and Alabama will host their meets tomorrow and Sunday.

"Basically what we want to do is get a feel for where we're at. Most of these runners haven't competed in a month," head coach Joe Plane said. "What we're building for is the Big East meet again as our goal."

Notre Dame will send a core group of sprinters and field athletes to Alabama to take on the excellent competition there. Some of the athletes competing in the meet will be senior all-American hurdler Errol Williams, junior hurdler Nadia Schmidt, senior 800-meter and 400-meter hurdler runner Bert Junker and sophomore long jumper Marshan West.

"I'm hoping to duplicate last year and qualify for nationals again [in the 400-meter hurdles]," Schmidt said. "I want to run some more consistent times. I guess the main goal is to qualify for nationals. This weekend, I'm hoping to run under 60 if I can, and get in a strong race."

"I'm going to try the 400-meter hurdles. My goal is to qualify for the NAAs in the 400-meter run or the hurdles," Junker said. "If I do that, then I'd like to get into the finals."

A few of the top distance athletes will run at Stanford, namely senior all-American runner Jason Rexing, junior Antonio Arce and sophomore Alison Klemmer. Some professional runners and NCAA champions will participate in the invitational. Ted Dieter, who qualified for the NAAs in the indoor season, will take the weekend off.

"We just want to get back into competing and get the outdoor season off to a good start," women's distance coach Tim Connelly said. "Alison Klemmer will run the 10,000 meters. I think she's about ready to qualify for the NAAs in that event. She's not the only 10,000 runner for Notre Dame, but I think she's the one right now capable of competing at a national level."

"It's a very important meet for the long-distance runners, and so I'm going to run the 10,000 meters and try to qualify for the NAAs," Arce said.

All pole vaulters, including Big East champion Mike Antonio Arce and sophomore Jason Rexing, will be involved in the Purdue Relays, as will the remainder of Notre Dame's athletes in other events. Although the competition is still strong, this meet will not involve quite the caliber of athletes that will compete at Stanford and Alabama.

"I think we'll just use these first couple meets to see where we're at and how we've progressed since the indoor season and to see where they'll be able to perform well at the Big East," sprints and hurdles coach John Miller said.

These meets will provide a testing ground for what the Irish hope to achieve during the outdoor season.

"Again, our goal is probably to win the Big East," field events coach Scott Winsor said. "In the field events, we've got a couple kids we thought should have been in the NAAs, so we want to do well in the Big East and then take a couple kids into the NAAs."
Another surge in the sixth, $3.75 A, game again in the fourth, the in the bottom of the inning, wild pitch sent the second run scored the first run before a Ramler, Marlene Dunleavy loaded the down the right field line.

In the batter's box, the Irish were led by Giampaolo, who went 3-for-4 from the plate, while Sharron improved her record to 4-4 with four strikeouts and a complete game. In the second game the Ramblers struck in the first, taking a quick one-run lead. In the second inning, the Irish exploded off the bat for four hits and three runs. Freshman Lizzy Lameire got a single and stole second to start things off, before King hit a double to left field to drive three runs in, while a single by Melina Akire in the second inning scoring two more.

In the seventh, but Bessolo stuck out two batters to retire the side and keep the 7-5 victory. In the fifth, but Bessolo earned her second win of 1998 allowing four earned runs over seven innings with eight strikeouts.

"We hit the heck out of the ball," head coach Liz Miller said. "There was no way we're going to lose when we hit the ball the way we did today."

With the wins, Notre Dame improves their record to 11-14-1, 4-4 in conference action. "These wins give us a lot more confidence, but it's going to be a tough schedule," Miller said. "I think if we stay focused, and concentrate on one inning and one game at a time, we'll do fine."

The Irish swept a doubleheader yesterday and will open conference play against Rutgers this weekend.

**Big East Softball Preseason Coaches Poll**

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UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS AT CHICAGO
Saint Mary's to add golf to program

By MOLLY MCVoy
Sports Writer

The Belles of Saint Mary's will take a swing at golf next year.

Continuing their effort to expand their athletic program, Saint Mary's will have a varsity golf team in the upcoming 1998-99 season. The college hopes to add to options already available for Saint Mary's athletes and has heard of an interest in golf from students and incoming freshman.

"I want to build up the program to the point where we can be competitive and, eventually, work for the conference championship," head coach Theresa Thomas-Pekarek said. "It is a lot different than what a lot of them are used to."

"I want to get them used to playing on the college level," she said. "We will try to continue to play like we've been. We start conference play in a week and need to be really focused."

The Belles play at Hanover College on Sunday and then begin play in the conference against Hope College on Wednesday.

SAINT MARY'S SOFTBALL

Belles aim to build on success

By MOLLY MCVoy
Sports Writer

The Belles looked like the Braves on Wednesday, playing an outstanding doubleheader against Concordia University.

Saint Mary's defeated Concordia 10-3 in the first game and 9-1 in the second, which advanced the Belles record to an outstanding 9-3.

Saint Mary's had phenomenal pitching and effective batting. Concordia made a few key errors and the Belles took advantage of every chance they got.

The winning pitcher for the first game was senior co-captain Liz Shevik. She pitched the entire game and held Concordia to only three runs. Becky Miller helped the Belles tremendously on the offensive end, going four for four with four RBIs and a double.

The second game was similarly lopsided. Saint Mary's hit very well and took advantage of Concordia's sometimes imperfect fielding.

The winning pitcher for Saint Mary's was freshman Anne Senger. She pitched strong the entire game and held Concordia to only one run, accumulating five strikeouts in the game. Again, Becky Miller batted very well, going two for three with a double and three runs scored. Her combined batting average for both games was .857.

Pitcher Anne Senger was very pleased with the Belles performance in these games as well as in their season, generally.

"We played really well, and we're playing really well as a whole," she said. "We will try to continue to play like we've been. We start conference play in a week and need to be really focused."

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A few weeks ago, Matt Horsley was patiently nursing a wrist injury, anxiously awaiting permanent employment in the singles lineup again. Yesterday, however, he revealed how eager he has been to end his workman's comp and get back to his vocation. Providing the clincher in No. 21 Notre Dame's 4-3 upset on No. 11 Duke's courts, Horsley has defined himself as the foundation for the Irish. With the match tied at 3-3, the outcome hinged on Horsley. With all eyes on him, Horsley slammed the door shut at No. 6 to defeat Marko Cerenko, 6-2, 6-7, 6-2.

"Matt was a real warrior for us today," head coach Bob Bayliss said. "His back was stiffening up and he was in a lot of pain, but he made the adjustment to Ceranko's backhand." The sophomore also served the demons, advancing the Irish record to 13-3. Horsley, however, exhausted his game and fell 6-8 in the three through five positions. Rothschild, Patterson and Enloe all fell victim to the Blue Devils in just two sets.

"Sach deserves a lot of credit," Bayliss said. "He played very well for us and really pulled it through. It was a big win."

Danny Rothschild and Vijay Root, who was ranked eighth in the nation, 3-6, 6-4, 6-0. Sachire defeated Dmitry Muzika in just two sets, 6-2, 6-0.

Nevertheless, the Irish gained the doubles point to head into singles with a 1-0 lead. But the Irish were put to the test, forced to fight for every point in singles.

No. 21 Notre Dame struggled at the two positions, but they got to the doubles clinching point in yesterday's victory over Duke. No. 2 position, played a phenomenal match to eliminate Dmitry Muzika in just two sets, 6-2, 6-2.

Winning 11 out of their last 12, the Irish continue to dominate the top teams in tennis. And if their anchor Horsley can keep afloat, the Irish will most likely experience smooth sailing for the remainder of their grueling two-month road trip.

"It was a great day for the Irish," Bayliss said. "I'm really proud of these guys, this is what we're going to do all season long.

Netters upset Blue Devils
By M. SHANNON RYAN
Sue Mary's Editor

Matt Horsley's gutsy performance provided the clinching point in yesterday's victory over Duke.
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international film festival- sunday march 22-thursday march 26
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free 8:00 pm

weekly movie- it came from outer space- march 26-27
3D movie/ thursday 10:30 pm /sat 8 pm/10-30 pm/ 25
Jeff Felker put up career numbers Saturday when he started hitting, going 6-for-6 at the plate with two walks to raise his batting average from .350 to 170 to .374.

"I've been struggling all year, and it's a nice time to break out of it," said Felker, who stroked out of a hitting slump and snapped a two-game losing streak.

The Irish bounced back from a loss in the first game to defeat NE Illinois, allowing three runs on two hits, walking two and hitting one. The offense failed to answer the Golden Eagles' scoring outbursts, standing 11 runners despite belting nine hits, including four by Felker and a towering home run by Brian Ust in the third.

"We've been waiting all year for Jeff Felker to start swinging the bat," said head coach Paul Mainieri. "Jeff Felker wants to do well. And he's been playing real hard, but he's just had some bad luck and he's struggling. Hopefully today was his day to bust out and realize that he's a pretty good baseball player, and start to enjoy the game again."

Despite Felker's career numbers, the first game began where the Irish fell off a 7-2 drubbing by Indiana Tech on Wednesday. Northeastern Illinois jumped out to an early lead and kept the pressure on, scoring at least one run in six of seven innings.

Irish starter Dan Stavisky lasted only 1/3 of an inning, walking two and hitting one. The Irish capitalized on the Golden Eagles' weaknesses and moved runners into scoring position, scoring three runs in the third before the ball was worked to Hobart's front. "Our focus is containing their midfield," senior midfielder Mike Seaman said. "This week, the [Hobart] midfield will be more special in our game than with others. That is the key to their offense."

Senior Jimmy Keenan hopes his squad will be able to start a new winning streak this weekend.