Students abroad face up to terrorist dangers

By LAURA PETELLE
London Correspondent

Just after the United States bombed Sudan and Pakistan, Notre Dame students in the London Program received a memo detailing the precautionary measures they should follow to avoid becoming terrorist targets.

The memo elicited mixed reviews from the students in the program.

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"It's just common sense, bookkeeping like the March 1994 IRA mortar attack that destroyed this car at London's Heathrow Airport are among the terrorist dangers Notre Dame students studying abroad were recently warned about.

Mailing warns Londoners

By TIM LOGAN
Assistant News Editor

Following the August bombings of U.S. embassies in Kenya and Tanzania and the President Clinton's subsequent military retaliation against the suspected terrorists, Notre Dame's London Program has taken precautions.

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FRIDAY FEATURE

Merritt: Russian economic woes may only worsen

By CHRIS KUSEK
News Writer

The Russian economy is in grave danger, according to assistant professor of government Martha Merritt.

Russia's credit has been called into question, their debts are many, and investors are quickly taking cover and backing away from the region.

"Investors in Russia are disappointed and will exercise more caution," said Merritt, a follower of both the Helen Kellogg and Joan B. Kroc institutes.

She pointed out that even if the loss of capital is not initially felt by the average Russian, the loss of capital will hurt them all greatly in the future.

In the past few months, the Russian economy has undergone great trauma. The value of the ruble has fallen 43 percent, while prices have risen dramatically. This sharp currency devaluation, coupled with severe inflation, means nothing but woe for the Russian public. Russia's economic future looks grim, Merritt stated.

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ASSISTANT PROFESSOR OF GOVERNMENT

One of the fundamental causes of such a bleak outlook for Russia is that the nation is currently unable to pay all of its debts.

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Hail to our leader!

I believe our society is crumbling at its roots and we got a couple of reasons for that belief. One of them is Jerry Springer and everyone he represents. Another is the widespread use of those motorized lollipops that you don’t have to hunt down — they make sugar consumption more widespread than Americans more fat.

But the most substantial reason for the demise of American society, according to me, Bill Clinton is the leader of America, but he is also more or less the leader of the world. Yet he does things that are, when applied to himself, inexcusable.

Many people argue that what he does with his personal life does not reflect his professionalism. In many cases, I agree with the notion. As long as one keeps the professional and personal spheres separate, I have always said, one can not be accused of misappropriation of power.

But the very root of politics to its surface is a loophole — an out clause that blurs your definition has anything to do with our president.

Bill Clinton embodies the very qualities that girls are looking for in a man with a pile of dirty laundry that would make any licentious, red-faced, lying, stuttering old man look like the ideal American, if your definition has anything to do with your president.

Now, why should I, a young, single woman trying to finally figure out what men are all about, feel any loyalty or patriotism for this man? The fact is, I don’t. I now see him as a licentious, predatory man who is good at exploiting women for his own ends. I am sure that Monica Lewinsky is not exactly a model of humility and purity. Bill’s antics that coupled with a legal scenario is extremely suggestive to me to the core. God help anyone whose views of women are lower than he is made to be.

Why should I be surprised at his behavior with his personal life does not reflect his professionalism? He disrespected the First Lady by cheating on her, and he disrespected his various women by being polygamous with them and then throwing them in the gutter. I personally believe that Bill is not one to represent a whole heterogeneous group of people. That group includes me.

I think it is not more blatantly obvious to me that Bill Clinton has some serious issues with sexuality. I lost some respect for him when I found out that he was gouging around with various women, but I lost even more when I heard he was on tv repeatedly on national television, only to be eventually revealed as the lie about him that he is. He lacks not only self-control, but also the conviction and integrity to admit what he did.

His affairs and subsequent lies also give me the impression that he is guilty of a much more sinister and ugly crime — disrespect for women. He disrespected the First Lady by cheating on her, and he disrespected his various women by being polygamous with them and then throwing them in the gutter. I personally believe that Bill is not one to represent a whole heterogeneous group of people. That group includes me.

This year West Virginia University failed to hold on to its rank as our nation’s top party school. While slipping in its ranks as a school for partying, WVU also failed to make the list of college campuses involved in multimillion dollar conservation efforts. The National Wildlife Federation recently released a new report called “Green Investment, Green Return: How Practical Conservation Projects Save Millions on America’s Campuses.” The report shows how a variety of conservation efforts are actually improving the environment and the financial conditions of the institution, often in very dramatic ways,” NWF President Mark Van Putten said. The report highlights 15 public and private campuses involved in 23 cost saving conservation strategies.

Student involved with bank robbery in police custody

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. — A Tuesday afternoon bank robbery ended with one suspect dead and another suspect, an IU student, in police custody.

Bloomington police are investigating the dead man’s involvement in several other local robberies.

Police identified the student as sophomore Timothy Jocic, 19, who also works for IU Campus Card Services. The second suspect was identified as Bloomington resident Michael Bradford.

The robbery occurred at NBD Bank, and police recovered about $20,000 in cash from the dead bank’s vault. Jocic was charged Wednesday with bank robbery, said FBI Special Agent Robert Molina. He was transported Tuesday morning to a federal holding facility in Indianapolis.

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A customer at the drive-up window during the time of the robbery, junior Sarah Hiltz, 19, of Parke County, said she was shocked at what happened.

“ I shuddered when I heard that Clinton’s other suspect, an UU student, in police custody,” she said. "I thought it could not be more blatantly obvious to me that Bill Clinton has some serious issues with women.”

It was my first reaction, my first thought, to call police. The suspect fled through the front doors of the bank and turned right down College Mall.

A Tuesday afternoon bank robbery in police custody

NEW BRUNSWICK, N.J. — An arrest was made Tuesday in the robbery of eight New Brunswick residents, including a 22-year-old student university, whom he abducted. Mitchell Joran, 30, of Franklin is being held on $500,000 bail at the Middlesex County Adult Corrections Center on 31 separate counts. Joran is being held on one count of murder, one count of prosecution of a weapon, one count of possession of a weapon, one count of carjacking, eight counts of kidnapping, eight counts of robbery, eight counts of terroristic threats, two counts of aggravated sexual assault and one count of aggravated assault on a law enforcement officer. Terroristic threats are when someone threatens to terrorize someone or to kill someone, L. Les Levine of the New Brunswick Police Department said. Terroristic threats are more serious than harassment and require immediate danger to a person’s life. Levine said. Joran sexually assaulted at least one of the people tied in the room, Levine said.

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Sayre addresses philosophical side of the soul

By RUTH SNELL
News Writer

"Philosophy is replete with things philosophers have to say about the soul," said Patti Sayre, chair and associate professor of philosophy at Saint Mary's College.

Her Thursday lecture, "So Deep is the Measure," focused on the soul from a philosophical perspective. It was part of the "Landscape of the Soul" series highlighted this fall at Saint Mary's College.

The landscape of the soul, sayre noted, can either be considered the "shape and contours of the soul," or the "landscape in which souls find themselves." Sayre then gave a brief history of metaphors concerning the internal landscape of the soul.

The first metaphor was that of the soul as a battlefield. Put forth by Plato in "The Republic," the soul could be thought of as three parts — rational, irrational, and mediating — all vying for control.

A "peaceable kingdom" was the second metaphor that Sayre used. In the hierarchy of the soul, reason governs the desires and emotion, according to Sayre.

Sayre's third metaphor was of the soul as a mirror. "A well-ordered soul gives glimpses into the universe," said Sayre. "It is a microcosm, an image of the macrocosm."

Quoting Bonaventure, Sayre said, "Your soul has a three-fold power, consider then the operation and functions of these three powers, and you will be able to see God in yourself."

Sayre talked about the soul's possible external landscapes — at home, in prison, or in exile.

A soul "trapped inside your own conscious experiences," according to Sayre, is one imprisoned in the body. Each of these metaphors can be related to contemporary life and views of the soul.

Sayre gave her academic life as an example of the soul as a peaceable kingdom. "There are moments when you're thoroughly absorbed in what you are doing," said Sayre. "Every bit is focused on something that is given great joy."

Sayre also explained the mirror metaphor with examples. She noted, "If I feel happy, I live in a happy world. I feel very much at home. Things feel right."

The same is also true with unhappiness. Sayre emphasized that the metaphors offered are only tenancies of Web pages for use by Notre Dame's students, faculty, and staff, as well as various external publics.

Prior to joining University Nestcasting, Monaghan was coordinator of technology for Notre Dame's DeBartolo Hall from 1993-96, assisting in the management of hardware and software, upgrading and overall support.

DeBartolo Hall is considered one of the most technologically advanced teaching and learning centers in higher education.

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Rally features national labor leader

By LAURA ROMPF
News Writer

This Sunday, "Working Families Supporting Friends of Labor," a rally delayed from Labor Day, will be held in South Bend and will feature Linda Chavez-Thompson, the vice president of the American Federation of Labor-Congress of Industrial Organization, as a guest speaker.

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Extra precautions to protect its students this semester. A letter has been distributed to all participants in the London Program detailing premature measures for students to take in order to increase their safety while abroad. Some suggestions included in the letter are instructions to travel in groups of four to six at all times, "adopt a more European style of dress," and to avoid gathering outside the Notre Dame classroom and residence buildings.

No Administrators from the London program were available for comment. The State Department released a "Worldwide Caution" on Sept. 4 reminding American citizens to maintain a high level of awareness and take appropriate steps to practice safe behavior. The State Department noted that the "potential for retaliatory acts against Americans and American interests exists," in the wake of the U.S. strikes on suspected terrorist camps in Afghanistan and Sudan.

The camps are operated by Osama bin Laden. A Saudi millionaire suspected of mastering the embassy bombings. He has called for a holy war against Americans for several years.

"The ruling to kill the Americans and their allies—civilian and military—is an individual duty for every Muslim who can do it in any country in which it can be done," said a statement written by bin Laden's group.

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the IMF "over a barrel," Merritt noted. She predicts that creditors will "bend over backwards" to meet the needs of the Russian economy.

As far as governmental policy is concerned, Merritt sees the power currently flowing away from the Russian central government towards the regional government.

The current prime minister, Yevgeny Primakov, holds a fairly centrist position and is willing to compromise with the IMF. He is also popular among regional public figures, Merritt noted.

While President Yeltsin is consulted on policy decisions, "his position is growing weaker, due in part to failing health," she said.

Merritt did voice concern for Russian citizens' stake in all of the turmoil. While interest rates were strictly controlled by the communist regime and were artificially kept down in the baby capitalist policy makers, they have recently risen rapidly. This, along with the devaluation of the ruble, has made it very difficult for many Russian families to meet their needs. Many localities are still controlling the prices of basic foodstuffs. This, at least, makes it possible for Russians to eat. "The Russian people have suffered under quasi-reform and will continue to suffer under quasi-reform," she said.

The solutions to Russia's problems are slightly clearer: If confidence in the Russian market is not restored, the suffering will not be alleviated. Investors will continue to back away if Russia is unable to pay their debts.

In the current economic environment, investing in the eastern markets is seen as "more promising," than investments in the Russian market, Merritt continued. In order to change that environment, dramatic changes have to take place, she asserted.

Massive improvements in Russia's financial sector and industrial infrastructure will have to take place to begin to right the troubled giant. Special attention will go to ensure efficiency in these reforms. Improvements in regulatory and administrative government agencies will also be necessary.

Notre Dame's Kellogg Institute will be sponsoring a round table discussion focusing on Russia's economic future to examine this issue and the specific changes and solutions that are available. This will be held on Monday at 4:15 p.m.
Russian bank's severe debt deepens

Moscow

In the universe of Russian banks, SBS-Agro stood out for all the services it offered from its branch inside the parliament building and those in crumbling towns far from Moscow's glitter. Today, SBS-Agro, the country's second-largest savings bank, is about $2 billion in debt. And customers service amounts to cloying exchanges such as those clogging a hotline the former arson investigator was supposed to set up recently. I'm left with no work and I need money. But then, I'm not disturbed by your problems," fumed a caller who identified herself as Natalia Valentinova.

"We have a contract — kindly fulfill it!" "You're absolutely right. There's a judicial solution, file a suit." Smolenskaya responded, according to the caller's transcript. Few callers would be led down that path: for average Russians, the possibility of successfully going to court are nil.

SBS-Agro is among hundreds of commercial banks brought to the brink of bankruptcy last month in Russia's deepest financial crisis since the collapse of the Soviet Union. Most have been powerless to cope: Undercapitalized and under-regulated, they've also been under-managed. Even in the strongest banks, managers had just five to seven years' experience, noted Niel Parson, the Moscow representative of the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development. "It's been a bruising fall for a bank that was a pioneer in providing services customers wanted. In a country where people still don't have checkbooks and most transactions are cash, SBS-Agro was the first private bank to offer accounts to individuals — and it won the confidence of 5.7 million people.

It also was the first to issue a large number of debit cards and develop a wide network of cash machines. And it was one of the few banks that made loans to companies that weren't part of its owner's business empire. Most Russian banks were formed by large financial groups to funnel money into their other business activities.

"Banking was its business," said Charles Ryan, CEO of Moscow's United Financial Group, an investment bank.

Today, SBS-Agro is in a standoff with Russia's Central Bank. The Central Bank imposed temporary administration over SBS-Agro and rallied for it to be nationalized, suspecting it of stripping assets to avoid punitive lawsuits and the confiscation of its property.

"We have enough assets to pay our debts three or four times over," Krasyansky said. The Associated Press. He said the Central Bank's campaign to nationalize the bank stemmed from SBS-Agro's being "the sweetest morsel in the banking system.

Senate will vote today on abortion veto

WASHINGTON, D.C.

Senate Republicans tried to make the case Thursday for overriding President Clinton's veto of a late-term abortion ban, describing the procedure as an unnecessary "rogue" operation that endangers women's lives and health.

"It's a dangerous procedure being described for the first time in the Senate," said Mrs. Canady. Her party's majority leader, Majority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D., has said he will vote against overriding the president's veto.

Supporters were cautious, but noted that support for the bill has grown when all 100 senators are present. When the chamber was the size of a car, the Senate tally, starting with 54 votes in December 1995, rising to 58 in September 1996 and ending with 54 last year.

"I hope that some senators will have a change of heart since then," said Sen. Christopher "Kit" Bond, R-Mo. "This is a horrible procedure... Android rights advocates said they were confident the veto would stand. The bill, sponsored by Sen. Rick Santorum, R-Pa., and Rep. Charles Canady, R-Fla., would outlaw the procedure, called "partial-birth" abortion by its critics, except when needed to save a woman's life.

Violators face imprisonment, fines and lawsuits. Abortion rights advocates, including Clinton, maintain that the bill is unconstitutional because it makes no exception for when a woman's health is jeopardized by continuing a pregnancy.
Search continues for crew of crashed helicopter

CAMP PENDLETON, Calif. - Rescu...
SAB plans semester activities

By CARA FORD
News Writer

Old fashioned photos, homemade music videos and live music in the dining hall top the list of events planned for Thursday's Twilight Tailgate, sponsored by Saint Mary's Student Activities Board. In addition to planning the tailgate, SAB gathered last night to plan and discuss semester activities.

Events include guest speaker Himilce Novas at "Cafe con Miel" co-sponsored by several ND/MC organizations and the South Bend community to celebrate Hispanic Heritage month. The poetry reading is Oct. 22 in Dallinways at 7 p.m.

"We want students on campus to recognize that SAB is an integral part of campus wide activities," SAB president Janet Horvath said. "We hope student participation continues."

In an attempt to encourage student participation, SAB provided Saint Mary's students with cards that can be punched at each event. Upon receiving eight punches, students' names will be placed in a raffle, making them eligible for prizes at a Christmas party in December.

Reno faces possible contempt charges

Associated Press
WASHINGTON

Rep. Dan Burton has filed a House resolution recommending Attorney General Janet Reno be held in contempt for failing to hand over documents requested by his committee in the campaign-funding investigation.

A vote on the Burton's request Thursday could come at any time as Republicans press for an independent counsel in the controversy.

Burton, R-Ind., also said that he will review "some information we think bears on the whole issue of impeachment" and will turn it over to House Judiciary Committee chairman Henry Hyde. Republicans on his Government Reform and Oversight Committee have complained the White House is slow to turn over documents and quick to raise various privileges that have made it difficult for Congress to gather evidence in its fund-raising investigations.

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One more thing: this team is not bad at all. They are good. Very good. It was just the big plays. Other than that it wasn't that bad. (I know, that's roughly akin to, "Other than that, how'd you like the play, Mrs. Lincoln?") This is the same team that looked like world-beaters one week previous. This team will be very good. If they lose another game before their bowl, I'll walk home to my house in Pittsburgh. Stick with them.

Next up: ROTC.

I'm sure all non-freshmen remember the stir the caused that suggestion that ROTC has no place on a Catholic campus. For the benefit of the freshmen, I won't rehash the argument, as it actually pains the eye to read such a criminally stupid proposition.

I have the good fortune to be taking a ROTC class as an elective. Every Tuesday, as I watch my classmates file in their khaki-colored seats and pull out their khaki-colored pens from their khaki-colored backpacks, my heart swelling a bit. (One Star-Spangled Banner in the background.) Not out of some unfounded patriotism, but because I sit in class and get to see those young men and women in action and I realize that if God forbid, there is another war, it will be run by the caliber of people sitting in that classroom.

In civilian classes, sometimes students are prepared, sometimes they aren't. The night before class, some go out, some watch TV, some write articles. Sitting in this class is amazing the regularity with which these students are prepared. Their level of discipline, the thorough knowledge of their art that discipline produces, and the all around character of these individuals is something to which most of us can only aspire. Notre Dame is much better for having ROTC.

In this class yesterday I got the opportunity to listen to one of the finest gentlemen left alive in our country speak. He is a veteran of WWII and came to outline the horrors of war for the class. This gentleman was wounded, had a man die in his arms, and continued to fight in what was eventually one of the pivotal battles in the Pacific theater of WWII.

Without ROTC, very important ties like this to the nation's past would most likely be broken, and I never would have heard this gentleman speak. I never would have encountered a man of this caliber, and I never would have been able to hear him, barely audible and in a quivering voice, tell us that, "War is hell." You can read about that, without lasting it first? If I were the judge, I would throw out the proceedings and assess the death penalty for the parents.

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Understanding the Impeachment Process

The bumper sticker says: "Impeach Clinton Now. Call 1-800-LEAVE DC." The noise is a little more complicated than that. It may be helpful here to note a few points on the impeachment process.

Do you have to commit a crime to be impeached? Evidently not. Former President Gerald R. Ford was impeached for an offense on which he had earlier been acquitted by a jury in a criminal trial. Judge Nixon was impeached and convicted of testifying falsely when he was a judge, in 1988-89.

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Gordon sets single-season record for saves in Bosox win

Associated Press

Baltimore

Mo Vaughn singled in the go-ahead run in the 10th inning and Tom Gordon set a major league-season record with his 39th straight save as the Red Sox rallied to beat Baltimore 3-2 Thursday night. Boston increased its lead over the third-place Red Sox to 2 1/2 games.

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Rangers 7, Angels 6

The Texas Rangers are alone in first place in the AL West for the first time in more than a month.

Tom Goodwin doubled in pinch-runner Mike Cather in the eighth inning, completing a 7-6 comeback victory Thursday night that put the Rangers atop the AL West.

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Sweri Waters

The 39th consecutive running of the National Catholic Cross Country Championships takes place on campus today. It will be held on the Notre Dame Golf Course — and there are several winners stakes at stake. The men's team has won the most three years in a row, and another win would give them the record for the most consecutive wins. The women's team looks to extend a two-year streak and tie the streak record set by the 1992-94 Irish runners.

The women, coming off a win at the Wolf & Kettle Invitational, will push themselves harder this weekend by trying to improve on last weekend's performance. Sophomore Ryan Shay looks to repeat his 24:53 winning run from 1997. "I am just looking to run a good race," Burn said. "I hope to be exciting to run with the 'big guys.'"

The men's team, which also won last weekend, has a defending champion of its own. Sophomore Ryan Shay looks to repeat his 24:53 winning run from 1997. "We are confident running on our own campus," Loya said. "The men in the Wolf & Kettle Invitational gave us a good run last week and we are looking forward to facing a much better team again," Shay said.

The defending champ is not the only worry Loyola should have. Junior Ryan Maxwell is coming off a fourth-place finish, his highest since winning the 1996 Buckley Invitational. Freshman Luke Watson will want to duplicate last weekend's run, placing fifth in his first collegiate meet.

Sophomore Ted Higgins and senior Tim Engelhardt also finished in the top 15. "I am pleased with the performance of both teams, but one win doesn't make a season," head coach Joe Piane stated. "We always run well at the National Catholic and I will be disappointed if we do not win this year."

The open-J.V. division race begins at 3:30 p.m., followed by the women at 4:15 p.m. and the men up at 5 p.m.

The runners face extra pressure to run well at every meet because there is a limited number of competitions.

Both teams have the opportunity to run only eight races, the final one being the NCAA Championships in which the teams must qualify.

By NOAH AMSTADTER
Sports Writer

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Women's dorms set to tackle competition

by NOAH AMSTADTER and MIKE CONNOLLY
Sweri Waters

Down by the road, the women are hopeful in finding the fall of the footsteps of their opponents on the cross-country course — and there are several winners stakes at stake.

Pazgorn Hall is setting high goals thanks to a strong group of freshmen looking to repeat his 24:53 winning run from 1997. Leading Phoexes down the field is junior quarterback Jennifer Smerz.

"She's just awesome," said team captain Michelle Kippen. "I'm excited about the season."

On defense, the Phoexes are optimistic about the crop of athletic freshmen. Leading the way is sophomore Erin Firose, a defensive lineman.

"We're gonna be a lot stronger than we were last year," said Kippen. "The freshman look really good and we have a good group of returners."

Pazgorn plays cross-quad rival Pangbor Hall on Sunday, Sept. 19, which promises to be a good game. "As you move closer to the book­ store, you find the women of Howard also getting ready for this season of inter­ hall blood, sweat and tears. While the team did not make the tournament last season, it hopes to carry the backbone of the Lyons attack and newf­ound enthusiasm into this year's cam­ paign."

Leading this rejuvenation is team captain Caty Yaner said the fresh­ man must step up for them to return in last year’s success.

Lewis sets sights on stadium game

by NATHANIEL DeNICOLA
Sports Writer

The stadium. Not Stepan fields, not small plots of grass, not the bleachers; at the culmination of this sea­ son the women of Lewis "fully expect to be playing in the stadium," as projected by captain Rosemary Sage. With a solid core of returning upperclassmen, including Maureen Nevins, Sarah Behlman and Jane Pater, Lewis looks to eclipse last season’s success with an even more impressive showing in 1998.

T he team "shall be able to continue where it left off," especially considering the experience of the coaching staff. Not only did the team remain intact, but they have been planning their return to the championship since the day last season ended.

While the team entered the wee­ kend with the expectation of leadership and a crop of talented freshmen, should promise to produce one of the school’s dominant forces.

There is an old adage in sports that offense wins games, defense wins championships. For Farley’s pur­ poses, it’s the law. Looking to rebound from a 2-3-1 record last season, Farley is well aware of it will take to produce immediate results.

Wielding a tenacious defense anchored by Brown and Kelli Shummon, Farley should not improve, but excel.

For other dorms, times are changing, and nowhere better exemplifies this than McGlinn Hall, where new coaches and a productive batch of freshmen have helped fill the void left by graduation. Led by Patty Sullivan, Sandra Sanchez and Jessica Coseo, McGlinn’s defense figures to be a primary factor in this year’s season.

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Dorm teams gear up for new season of rivalries

By TED FOX

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Keenan Hall comes into the 1998 season as the defending interhall champs after a victory against Sorin in the Stadium last year.

However, this year's squad has a much different look than the championship team that did not allow a single point last year.

With many key athletes leaving to pursue varsity sports as walk-ons, there are a number of new faces, especially on defense.

Heading the new-look defense is veteran linebacker Joe Klopp, who is also filling the role of assistant coach.

Running the team's new offensive scheme is sophomore quarterback Alex Gese, a third-year starter, and campus bookstore basketball legend. He's joined in the backfield by smashmouth fullback Dave Schenk, back after a year off from the team.

This unit return, so it figures, looks to be powerful once again. This fact alone could be a reference to the team's new running game meets with success.

Should the two groups come together early on in the campaign, winning ball games will be a lot easier.

The Carroll/St. Ed's team is coming off a 1-2-1 season that saw massive defensive change. New improved defense, which is now frequently copied, looks to be the team's strength this season.

Guiding the prominent Alumni defense is senior middle linebacker Jesse Bolder, a converted safety, who brings an incredible level of intensity to the team.

Leading the offense is senior quarterback Alex Gese, a third-year starter and campus bookstore basketball legend. He's joined in the backfield by smashmouth fullback Dave Schenk, back after a year off from the team.

Alumni's campaign starts on Sunday with a rematch of last year's season finale against Morrissey.

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Halls look for opening wins

By MIKE CONNOLLY
Sports Writer

One of the most experienced teams in dorm football this year will be Kreugh Hall. Returning 15 starters from last year's team that lost in the first round of the playoffs, captain Casey Bouton believes that his team's experience will lead them to great improvements this season.

Kreugh will open against Zahn Hall, featuring an offense that will rely on a balanced attack led by quarterback Travis Alexander and running back Bryan Yorkey. The defense will play a conservative 4-4 style that will revolve around the talents of defensive lineman Marco Rodriguez.

Following a disappointing 1-3 season, the Studs of Stanford look to rise to the top of dorm football with a Waddy llayes-style three-yards season, the Studs of Stanford will be led by quarterback Grant Kreubenbach. Kreubenbach went down with a knee injury. Due to Kreubenbach's injury, Knott might have to rely more on their running attack against Sorin Hall when they open on Sunday.

MORRISSEY

A semifinalist from last year, Morrissey Hall returns 11 starters and hopes that its balanced offense will lead to even greater success this year. Morrissey expects Dan Sullivan's experience at quarterback to offset the inexperience at wide receivers. Tailback Steve Bartlett will also help to take some pressure off of the receivers with his rushing attack.

Morrissey's defensive strength appears to be its ability to use many different defensive fronts and the talents of defensive tackle Dan Prince to shut down the running attack of opponents.

While the team has looked solid during preseason, captain Steve Bartlett says that he is "eager to see the team in pads." Time will tell if Zahm can return to the form of last year's regular season.

For a spirited, talented and motivated contender, look further this year. Tough players such as junior safety Mike Garco, junior fullback Dan Prince to shut down the running attack of opponents. Tailback Steve Bartlett will also help to take some pressure off of the receivers with his rushing attack.

"Obviously, the goal is to go undefeated. We're not playing to lose," said team captain Colton King. But the team still contends that the only way to win is to play the game "with that final step — winning the championship."

"Going into our first game, we look better than we did last year," said Otters quarterback Pete Bolden. Despite losing a hefty nine players from last year's squad. After last season's disappointing first-round upset loss, the Hall is looking to return with a vengeance this year.

"We'll try to stick with the balanced attack, to keep defenses honest," said "Zahm plays smashmouth football." Zahn near the top of the rankings come playoff time. In addition, freshmen, sophomore quarterbacks Steve Lucks and Matt Hallock will see substantial action and must overcome their inexperience at the position.

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The following year the team improved to 1-3, and two years ago it advanced to the semifinals. Last year, Sorin surprised everyone by plowing a path to the championship game, where the team got overwhelmed by strong Keenan. "We need to get better. We're not there yet," said coach and player Grog Bolden. "At our skill positions we have a lot of speed and we have the talent to make it back to the stadium, but it's just a matter of us executing on the field."

In their Sunday opener against Knot, Sorin will also look toward freshman linebacker and fullback Doug Lawrence to make up for what was lost from last year's final step. Also on offense, tight end Ryan Shoshone will be an integral part of the playing as the Otters will look to air it out this fall. "We've got a lot of skill, we've got a lot of running back, we've got a lot of defensive. We've just got to put it all together," said Pete Bolden. This is not unexpected. Sorin has virtually its entire offense back, including receivers and the offensive line.

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The Irish will take a vacation this weekend east, and they plan to return with two much-needed wins.

Playing at Rutgers Friday night and Villanova Sunday afternoon, the Irish will look to come back to South Bend with four more points in the Big East conference, which could put them on top of the Big East.

Riding an undefeated streak through its first four games, Notre Dame has propelled itself to a No. 16 ranking by the National Soccer Coaches Association of America. In addition, the Irish win and tie in Big East games while only letting up 0.92. The aggressive defense will head out east looking to add to its offensive barrage, which has already yielded 66 shots in four games.

By ANTHONY BIANCO

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"We always want to win our games at home, especially the Big East games. In that sense, we were disappointed with a tie, but we're still undefeated and doing a lot of things well," said co-captain Phil Murphy. "Playing at Rutgers Friday night with a full force, with the previously injured players ready to play."

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The Irish have counted on freshman Shane Walton in previous contests, but the Scarlet Knights and Wildcats will surely try to keep No. 11 under their control.

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Each player has been "hit" by his moment of glory—whether making a tackle on the practice field or throwing a block on game day.

Hebert dressed all last season, but his first step onto the field with game clock ticking came two weeks ago in the second quarter against the Wolverines.

"Before the game, they told me I'd be in for two plays. I was so nervous; there. It was weird. Standing on the sidelines, I was so nervous, but once I got in there it was just the play I ran in practice. It felt like a big step up for me," he said.

The walk-ons tend to raise the measuring stick of their success each fall.

"The first year I thought, 'If I can dress for just one game, I'll be the happiest man alive,'" Hebert said. "After that, I thought, 'I just want to get in one game.'

Now Hebert seems to be making yardage on his dream with his regular game day appearance.

After his two-play debut against Michigan, Hebert filled in for injured players on special teams consistently during and after the second quarter against Michigan State.

For senior Ben Robinson, his steps to success were destiny.

"I was surprised to hear I'd earned a scholarship over the summer," tight end Robinson said. "It has always been a goal of mine. I'm just really amazed at the opportunity I've been given." Although Robinson is enduring a neck sprain, he is looking forward to his sophomore year measuring stick of their success.

Robinson landed himself a football scholarship this season.

"It felt like a big step up for me," he said.

Robinson is also biding his time until he can feel the charge he experienced his sophomore year when then head coach Lou Holtz sent him in for one play against Pittsburgh.

"I ran the play in and I didn't even know what the words meant," Sicuso said. "I told Jerious Jackson the play and they told me where to line up and I made a block on a safety. I just remember running so fast."

Although Sicuso had probable starting jobs at Princeton, Amherst, Holy Cross or Georgetown, he would rather wait his turn at Notre Dame with the rest of the walk-ons.

"If I didn't play sports again, I couldn't turn it down," said Sicuso, known back home as "Rudy" or "Notre Dame." "I've never had any regrets. How could I just sit around and not try when I know I have the chance to play Notre Dame football?"

Even if he never steps on the field again, that's all right with Sicuso.

"The way I look at it is that anything that happen's is gravy," he said. "You have goals and if you can reach them great, otherwise, just be happy that you have them."

Their names probably won't come up in Notre Dame's legend, but they'll sure have a great story for their grandkids.
After NC loss, Irish ready to learn and march on

By BRIAN KESSLER
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The true sign of a championship-caliber team is the ability to bounce back after a tough loss.

Coming off a disappointing 5-1 loss to the top-ranked University of North Carolina, the Notre Dame women’s soccer team will look to rebound when it returns to Alumni Field and resumes conference action this weekend, playing Rutgers today and Villanova on Sunday.

In their last outing, the Irish were embarrassed by the Tar Heels, giving up season-highs in shots (33), corner kicks (11), and goals allowed (5). It was the team’s worst loss since a 5-0 loss to North Carolina in the 1994 NCAA championship game.

“We’re definitely excited to get out there and play again,” said forward Meotis Erikson. “I think that loss was good for us. It made us realize what we have to work on.”

Rutgers and Villanova shouldn’t present much of a challenge against a loaded Notre Dame team that has outscored Big East opponents 10-1, en route to a 2-0 conference record. The women blanked West Virginia 7-0 and dominated Pittsburgh 9-1.

Erikson has also chipped in 12 points on three goals and six assists. Helt, Makinen, Streiffer and Erikson will present formidable challenges to this weekend’s opponents.

“We should do well against Big East teams,” said Erikson. “It’s probably one of the weaker conferences and most of the time we can win without playing our best. We’re trying not to play down to the level of our opponents. We don’t just want to win, we want to play well.”

Rutgers is off to just a 1-3-1 start. In their last game, the Scarlet Knights were shut out by Princeton, 1-0. Last season, the Irish put seven up on the scoreboard in New Jersey. They will try to follow that feat with another impressive victory this year.

Villanova comes to town with a 3-2 record and a win in its most recent outing. They defeated Lehigh 4-1 on the road Tuesday and will take on Pittsburgh tonight before going up against the Irish Sunday.

Freshman Keri Lages is off to a quick start for the Wildcats. In just her first collegiate season, she already four goals and a team-high nine points. Sarah Bowland, another freshman, has dished out three assists over her last three games.

Villanova head coach Ann Clifton is optimistic about her team’s chances and is committed to improving on her team’s 8-6-2 record from a year ago.

“We have evolved in the point where we don’t have set goals, and instead have things just expected of us,” said Clifton.

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Irish look to clean up Spartans after recent sweep

By M. SHANNON RYAN  
Staff Editor

With sweat cascading from their foreheads and mud-stained hands gripping scuffed golden helmets, they trudge past reporters without even making eye contact.

They realize they aren't the ones who get the interviews or the headlines. But for Notre Dame's more than 25 non-scholarship players, a recognizable number on the back of a jersey isn't the important thing. Just wearing blue and gold is enough for them.

Phil Sicuso, a senior who walked on the team after his sophomore year, wished for nothing more than an Irish uniform since fifth grade.

Sicuso spent only one year in the student section of the stadium — rattling keys on third downs, droning the collective "shhhhh" before kickoff, bellowing the fight song.

After his freshman year, Sicuso was still a fan, but now he was a fan of people he could call teammates.

The senior from Massachusetts never envisioned himself on Notre Dame's turf — only on the North Quad grass, playing interhall football for Stanford Hall.

"Once I decided to come here, I thought football was all over," said the 5-foot-11, 187-pound receiver. "I would have never thought it possible [my freshman year], when I was choosing in the stadium or camping out for tickets, that I'd be on the team."

Instead of the gridiron, Sicuso was primed for the baseball diamond, but after being cut from the Irish team, he figured, "I've got to do something with myself. I thought if I didn't make it, I could at least tell my grandparents that I tried."

Like the rest of the Irish walk-ons, whose names combined equal 24 lines of a 448-page media guide, Sicuso had to earn his uniform.

Most walk-ons do not boast lofty high school credentials or full scholarships in scholarship money, but prove their worth during a five-week boot camp of weight lifting, tailing and cut-surviving, better known as winter conditioning.

"Conditioning is probably the hardest part. That's where a lot guys quit," said Sicuso, who tried out with about eight other hopefuls. "Truly, if you're not used to it, it's going to be rough."

During the trial period, coaches inspect the crop for the obvious and the abstract.

"You have to have the element of ability," head coach Bob Davie said. "But for the better of the team."

"To tell you the truth, I didn't think I'd make it," said Sicuso, who was clocked in up to six hours a day at spring practice and on the scout team.

"When we win, they win. When we lose, they lose," Davie said. "They're certainly every bit a part of this team as the guy who makes 50 snaps on Saturday. We couldn't survive or practice without the walk-ons."

"You know, if you came out here and watched our practice everyday ... you'd understand. I think every one of them is a success story."

"When scouts barter their sweat, exhaustion and time for shoulder pads, helmets and cleats, there's no doubt which is worth more to a walk-on."

"To tell you the truth, I didn't think I'd make it," said junior Jonathan Hebert, who walked on the team his sophomore year after a season on Zahm's intramural team. "When the trainer told us to get our physiwarts, I didn't know what to think. It really hit me that I was actually playing.

Walk-ons (from left) Phil Sicuso, Jonathan Hebert and Ben Robinson went from wearing "The Shirt" to suiting up in blue and gold jerseys.

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