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JUMPING AT THE JACC

The arena was rocking and the team was pumped. Students had been lined up for tickets since four and now filled the JACC with their hoisterous cries. Turning on the radio, into the most hostile 2,667-capacity hockey arena in the country, the hockey fans ready to make the life-difficult-for-the-Spartans'goalie-anything. Anyone who was at the game probably expected a tight fight. This fight knew what an important game it was and tried to do everything they could to excite the team.

Everyone, except the guy who selected Third Eye Blind's "Jumper" as one of the songs for the band to play.

I don't know, maybe it's just me, but songs about suicide just don't get me all that excited.

But "Jumper" has got to go.

As I see it, the job of the band is to complement the action on the field with songs that heighten the excitement. I can't speak for everyone, but the topic of suicide tends to make me feel depressed.

What will the band play next? How about the theme song from MASH: "Suicide Is Painful". Or maybe that uplifting Guns and Roses classic "November Rain"? Sticking to more current music, the band could make the crowdidepressed by selecting "Brick" by Ben Folds Five.

Another popular does not make a song appropriate for a hockey game. I understand that the band cannot play the "Hey Joe" and "We Will Rock You" at every intermission. A large collection of songs allows the band to sound fresh and exciting, but as not to bore the crowd. But come on, there are plenty of other great songs that the band could play besides "Jumper".

What about Queen's "Another One Bites the Dust"? Or maybe the theme from Beverly Hills Cop? I am not a music expert so I don't know if it would be possible for the band to arrange these songs, but there must be something else they can play.

The "Imperial March" could also fit the tone of a hockey game better than "Jumper". Heck, the theme song from Sesame Street could fit Guns and Roses better than "Jumper", at least Sesame Street is happy.

Let me stress again that I like the band. I think they are a wonderful part of the Notre Dame athletic tradition. But every time I hear this fight, "Jumper", it makes me want to leap from my death of the top of the hockey bleachers. Fortunately, since the bleachers are so small, I probably won't.

So strike up "Back in Black", "Brown Eyed Girl" and "Zoot Suit Riot" but please, leave "Jumper" off the playlist.

NUGGETS UNIVERSITY

Cohabitation may lead to divorce

NEW BRUNSWICK, N.J.

Rutgers University's National Marriage Project released a report this week that found people considering marriage should play hard to get to shove divorce. According to the report, couples who live together before marriage have a significantly higher incidence of divorce after rings are exchanged, said David Popeo, co-director of the project, which is privately funded by the McGregor Lincoln Foundation. "Living together before marriage — far from actually creating happier marriages, which is sometimes the intention — actually leads to a higher divorce rate," Popeo, a professor of sociology, said. "Every study we examined found the same thing — living together before marriage leads to a higher divorce rate after marriage." The most groundbreaking revelation of the report was a possible explanation for why cohabital relationships tend to crumble after marriage, Popeo said.

OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

Former student arrested after Jumping at the JACC

Campus-area students and residents might sleep a little easier this weekend after the arrest of a former Ohio State student who police believe could be responsible for a string of murders and robberies. Carlo Lamar-Marquis Owens was arrested early Thursday morning and charged with two counts each of aggravated murder and aggravated robbery in connection with recent crimes committed in the campus area. Owens was enrolled at OSU during the summer and fall of 1998, according to an OSU statement released Thursday. Various police and University officials said that as a student Owens lived in Holloway House and was a member of ROTC. He tried to join the OSU track team, but failed to meet NCAA qualifications. "This connection adds to the sadness and regret the university community feels about the situation," the OSU statement read.

OUTSIDE THE DOME

Berkeley

University of California

Organization attempts to revive Affirmative Action

BERKELEY, Calif.

Hoping to bring affirmative action back into the UC system, the ASUC Senate has passed a bill asking California Gov. Gray Davis to change the face of the UC Board of Regents.

The university student government approved a bill Wednesday night, written and supported by Senator April White, that asks Davis to fill the five currently open seats on the board with affirmative action proponents.

"I think the bill will have impact in that it will complement other actions," White said. "However, by itself, it is not that powerful.

And draft form of the bill was originally written by Heather Bergman, a member of the Coalition to Defend Affirmative Action by Any Means Necessary, a campus pro-affirmative action group. White said Bergman approached him with the bill to try to get it through the senate. He later altered the bill and wrote the official draft.

One of the changes that Cal-Serve member White made in his bill before the senators passed it was replacing the word "demand" with the much less word "ask.

"It is only right that we give the governor an opportunity to (further affirmative action efforts) without demanding it," White said.

While, who is not affiliated with BAMN, is the only supporter of affirmative action policies in the student senate. He said he was approached because "they have seen me fight for affirmative action in the past, and I am a visible person.

He added that he appealed to Davis because "as of now, I see Davis as having nothing to lose by helping people who elected him and the people who would benefit from affirmative action policies."

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RUTGERS UNIVERSITY

Police arrest student's mother

LAS VEGAS

The mother of a UNLV student was arrested for burglary and dissuading a witness in Boyd Residential Hall Friday, according to UNLV Police Sergeant Don Drake. Barbara Ann Terpening, 55, allegedly entered the building around 11:30 p.m. with the help of a former male resident advisor, said Drake. Allegedly, she was trying to intimidate a student witness into changing his statement when he allegedly was reported to be reported in the residence halls last month, he said. According to a telephone conversation with Terpening, the alleged assault involved accusations against her son. Robert Brown. "The crime she was intending to commit was dissuading a witness," said Drake. "She didn't threaten to harm him, she was just badgering him." However, according to Drake, Terpening never should have been allowed to meet the dorm. "The person who let her in was a former RA," said Drake, adding, "I guess he still had the keys."

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COLUMBUS

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Administrators, trustees dedicate new building

By PETER FOLAN
London Correspondent

LONDON

At a dedication ceremony for the new site of the London Program in Trafalgar Square, University President Father Edward Malloy declared the dedication to be "the real reason we came here."

Members of the Board of Trustees and University administrators gathered Saturday at Marian Kennedy Fischer Hall, named in honor of the mother of Notre Dame alumnus Charles Fischer, who, along with his family, underwrote the renovation of the building.

The building, at 27,000 feet is more than double the size of the University's former London site. Located on the corner of Suffolk Street and Pall Mall, directly adjacent to the Sainsbury Wing of the National Gallery provides an ideal location for students.

"We have this wonderful city around us to learn from and enjoy, but at the same time, an asylum from some of this craziness in Notre Dame's building," said junior Jeff Harrington, a student participating in the London Program.

Dominique Etcheverry agreed. "The location of the building right on the edge of Trafalgar Square is basically the heart of the city."

The location of the building has also led to a focus on fine arts in curriculum for students.

"I've heard more melismas in operas, seen more brush strokes in paintings, and analyzed more cuts in sculptures than I had ever thought possible."

The London program's building has a history that spans since before Notre Dame even came into existence.

The original structure on the site was built in 1823 as a gentlemen's club for graduates of Oxford and Cambridge and continued to be used for this purpose until 1979. The British School of Osteopathy then took control of the building, and held it until Notre Dame acquired the building in the early 1990s.

The building has also been technologically equipped for students. Students can choose from three different computer laboratories and either Macintosh or Personal Computers.

"All of the computers are wired for the Ethernet network through the University of London," said Burchett. "We have 50 Windows and 20 Macintosh computers. "The building's technology is a major improvement over the former home of the Program."

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Between Hurley and McDonnell's attempts to lighten the crowd, the candidates sounded off about ways to improve campus life, including intercultural relations.

"[The] University would like more multicultural professors," said Stephen Robey, vice-presidential candidate whose running mate, Cynthia Turski, was absent from the discussion. Robey, who struggled to represent his ticket on his own, reminded the audience of the duo's plan to diminish bookstore traffic with separate express lanes, especially on football weekends, when "sea of alumni is just there."

As the candidates delved into political aspects of their platforms, the audience grew sparse when listeners began to flee the two-hour discussion.

"I'm definitely gonna stick it up for you guys," Micah Murphy told a dwindling audience.

Murphy, a presidential candidate whose goal is to establish airport shuttles for students traveling home on breaks, added "I'm willing to take a few risks."

"I think we're all missing the point here," said presidential hopeful Bill Kuder. "All we care about is football ... it's so important [to the University]."

Kuder, who along with running mate Joe Priest, highlighted the importance of Notre Dame football as not only a financial but morale booster for the University, "Think back to when we beat Michigan," added Kuder. He said football has the ability to uplift or destroy the spirit of the whole campus.

The Kuder/Priest ticket was not alone in their unique approach to the evening's discussion.

"I have no personal politics," said Luke White, editor-in-chief of Right Reason, who received a standing ovation for his guitar tribute encouraging the murder of all campus swans.

Members of the panel, including representatives from Scholastic, The Observer, WSN, student government and Club Coordination Council, grilled the political hopefuls on issues such as past student governments and budget spending.

"[The] goal of the office of President is to bring issues to the office itself," said Mike Palumbo, Murphy's running mate, who feels that the way to improve student involvement with government is to "talk to hall presidents, hall councils."

"I just don't want to go to the hall councils ... we want to go beyond that," said Chana Jayme, who along with partner Dan Peake, reminded the audience of their "overarching goal" of giving back to the students.

"We want the students to tell us what they want," she added, noting that it is important to "get out there ... get to know everybody."

The audience was brought into the discussion when Murphy was faced with allegations from one crowd member about disreputable students' feelings. According to the student, Murphy had supposedly dressed as and impersonated a homosexual male prostitute and imitated a mentally handicapped person at a Keough social event.

"[I] had nothing to do with it," said Murphy, trying to defend his actions. "I was just having fun, just making stuff up."

The newly-refreshed audience was treated to a sock puppet debate between White's right and left hands. White, answering questions about his own political beliefs, mocked the audiences' inquiries by responding with sock puppets.

"[There is] absolutely no good reason for a woman not to be president," said Jayme, when asked why there had yet to be a female student body president.

White attributed this to a woman's lack of sufficient strength to rip a swan's head off.

Voting will take place Monday in residence halls and in the C1 parking lot for off-campus students.

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Republican, voters look to replace English monarchy

Associated Press

CANBERRA

Australia’s justice minister today joined the republican campaign to dump Britain’s Queen Elizabeth II as head of state.

Justice Minister Amanda Vanstone said she believed that national symbols are important and should touch a nation’s heart — something the British monarchy no longer does.

“If I have to say I’m angry, but I’m not surprised,” said Mark Massoud, a student representative on the standing committee on Gay and Lesbian Student Needs about the Boards decision. Massoud was one of about 30 people, mostly students, who sat in the lobby of Haye’s-Hesley — just outside Malloy’s office — Friday afternoon protesting the decision and planning future action.

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Malloy. "The decision was com-
plex. The decision transcends
the many individual factors,
academic and athletic. The ulti-
mate rationale behind the deci-
sion lies in a loss of insti-
tutional identity."

"If Notre Dame had joined the
Big Ten, it would have been
one of only two private univer-
sities and the only member
with a religious affiliation.

"Notre Dame has a core iden-
tity: Catholic, private, and inde-
pendent. An association with
the Big Ten would only involve
one element of that identity,
independence," said Malloy. "In
our deliberations about joining
the Big Ten, there was never
the concern for our Catholic
character being diminished."

"Fiscal factors were not a
decisive determinant in the
decision," Malloy added.

Provost Nathan Hatch point-
ed out that Notre Dame is in a
position that other universities
struggle to achieve.

"Officers of other universities
toss and turn all night, trying to
figure out how to make their
institution unique," said Hatch.

Athletic director Mike
Wadsworth said the Athletic
Department made its decision
regarding Big Ten membership
last September after preparing
a report for the officers of the
University.

"No new information was
given to the Athletic Department
between September and December, so
our decision ultimately was a
unanimous "No," said Wadsworth.

In the end, the University's
affiliation with the Big East
athletic conference proved to be
a better match than the Big
Ten.

"The Big East conference is
composed of many small,
Catholic, private institutions," said Malloy. "We feel that they
are a better fit for us than the
Big Ten, which is composed of
primarily large, public, regional
institutions. The school that
would match most closely with
our identity is Northwestern,
also a private institution. Even
Northwesterners, though, is twice
the size of Notre Dame."

The Board of Fellows, the
highest decision-making body
at the University who are also
responsible for appointing
members of the Board of
Trustees, decided against
membership in the Big Ten on
Dec. 1. Their decision, howev-
er, was kept secret, pending
approval of the Board of
Trustees.

From an academic perspec-
tive, Malloy emphasized that
the information exchange with
the Big Ten was a valuable
experience for Notre Dame and
has caused the University to re-
evaluate some of its academic
independence.

Joining the Big Ten would have
given Notre Dame mem-
bership in the Committee for
Institutional Cooperation (CIC),
which would have boosted the
prestige of our graduate programs
and allowed us to take part in
faculty and student exchanges
as well as grant sharing.

"We will have mechanisms
this spring in place to look at a
wholesale range of consortial
arrangements," said Wadsworth.

In the course of the University's
dialogue with the Big Ten, Malloy
said he raised the idea of membership in the
CIC without membership in the
athletic aspect of the Big Ten,
but was rebuffed by the confer-
ce.

With both academic and ade-
quate advantages and disadvan-
tages of joining the Big Ten
explored, the conclusion
reached was to maintain inde-
pendence.

"We believe that independ-
ence continues to be our best
way forward," said Malloy. "We
look forward to maintaining
and deepening our relations-
ships with members of the Big
Ten, not as a member of the
family, but as an old and close
family friend."

Student reaction in London
to the Board of Trustees decision
was positive. "I'm glad we didn't join the Big Ten," said Chris Maciejak. "It would jeopardize Notre Dame's unique-
ess."

Another student, Jean
McCure, agreed. "I was very pleased with (the University's)
decision not to join the Big Ten. I was glad that those who could have the undergraduate
program would have been nega-
tively affected."
In the Fullness of Time

All of us in the Notre Dame community tend to be obsessed with polls. Every autumn the AP college football poll serves as a harbinger of all of our speculation and dispute. The yearly U.S. News rankings of top American universities, graduate and law schools, carry a particularly heavy weight with the administration, but the student body tends to keep tabs on where we stand in that respect as well. Our community is ever cognizant of our position in relation to the rest of the pack. Perhaps this is why Friday’s decision regarding the Big Ten and the Committee for Institutional Cooperation, while essentially a foregone conclusion, was nonetheless fervently discussed in the days leading up to its resolution. Yet another reason might have been the fact that two segments of our community elected not to side with the majority.

The Faculty Senate voted to join the Committee for Institutional Cooperation, the Big Ten’s academic counterpart, while the Graduate Student Union chose not to pass a resolution regarding the decision. These bodies serve the purpose of representing academic interests in the decision making process on issues affecting the life of the University. To take their decision to support, or reject, opposing Big Ten membership was sufficient reason to pause and refrain from opposing Big Ten membership. This end, their decision to support, or refrain from opposing Big Ten membership, was nonetheless ferocious. Our community is ever conscious of the implications of our decisions, however minor, on the integrity of our community and our students. The faculty and the Graduate Student Union chose not to. We know where we ultimately wish to be without greater development of our graduate programs. Joining the CIC might well have provided a quick resolution to the question of how to attain this end. But it would have meant doing so on the terms of others, terms that were not crafted with our own unique mission in mind. It could well have led us to a rushed embrace of graduate expansion, one which would undermine our current undergraduate focus. Our current administration is not lacking in emphasis on the future development of Notre Dame. We will continue to do so in such a way that allows us to reconcile our strong research programs with the same solid undergraduate education that has thus far been our benchmark. We have not lost a one-time opportunity with Friday’s decision, we have chosen the more deliberate path of self-determination. In doing so we allow ourselves the same vital time enjoyed by our peer institutions.

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History and Philosophy major

The Clinton White House

• Letter to the Editor

To understand why the answer is no, we must pause and recognize how Notre Dame’s history plays out in relation to the rest of the academic institutions we so love to compete with. In the U.S. News and World Report list of the top twenty-five universities, Notre Dame is an odd fit with its peers. Others are religiously affiliated, but not in so pronounced a way as we are. The Ivy League institutions stand out, as do select state schools with very well-developed programs who benefit from public funding. The vast majority of these schools experienced the sweeping trend among top universities around the beginning of the twentieth century, pioneered by Woodrow Wilson at Princeton, of reforming their curricula and organization. These were the days when the Ivy’s went from being elite dinner clubs to centers of learning and pioneering thought. It was then that the best schools in the nation became serious about carrying out their missions.

The Chicago Tribune this weekend referred to Princeton as “the patriarch of the modern Notre Dame.” While we are accustomed to according President Emeritus almost mythical status, the truth of this observation cannot be underestimated. His ascension to the presidency in 1942 marked the beginning of a period in which Notre Dame truly began to embrace its own unique mission. While the achievements of the Hesburgh administration need not be recounted here it will suffice to say that it was under his leadership that Notre Dame’s long-standing Catholic mission was finally fleshed out with academic excellence. In the years since then, we have begun to turn a collective eye towards that highest echelon of American academia and contemplate what it will take to get there.

The point is this: Notre Dame continues to be a work in progress. Today we are members of a community working toward its chosen end, and getting closer to this end than we have ever been before. Yet in our frequent self-assessments, we must take into account the reality that we began our march towards modern academic excellence a full half century after the majority of our peer institutions. Building top universities requires time. We have made remarkable progress in the last four decades and will continue to do so in the future.

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• Quote of the Day

‘A thousand things...advancement: nine hundred and ninety-nine retreat; that is progress.’
—Henri Frederic Amiel
This is a response to Laura Pelisse's poor excuse for a front page news story (Observer, Jan 29) on the nature of Catholic education. From the rather confusing and rambling introduction, and the many personal attacks on the author, she seems to refer to her article in a misleading or erroneous fashion. She failed to interview, or obtain a written statement from the person at Notre Dame she called "the local bishop." The central issue, as far as I can understand it, is the implementation of Ex Corde Ecclesiae ("From the Heart of the Church"). A proper document on the nature of Catholic Universities. Her article failed in every respect. It was polemical, objective, researched, or balanced journalism. The result appears to have been so much a news story as a vehicle for Pelisse to voice her own opinions on the issue as it pertains to Notre Dame. Very little attempt was made to disguise the ipsos mori, polemical tone.

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Thin characters bog down enemy ‘lines’

By JOE LARSON

“The Thin Red Line” is the World War II story of a group of Marines and their experience in the Battle of Guadalcanal. We follow Charlie Company from their storm into the unknown beach to their departure off the same beach a few weeks later. We see the mental and physical sufferings of these men as they move through the jungle trying to overcome the Japanese. In essence, this film tries to explore the psychological effect of war on many different characters throughout the movie.

The movie’s slogan is: “Every man fights his own war.” This is definitely true. The film is able to express the meaning of this by the fact that the characters get inside almost every character’s head. “The Thin Red Line” boasts an all-star cast which puts the viewer at ease considering the film has more than 50 speaking parts. If you’re going to this movie to see a particular actor, you will be pretty disappointed when that actor only has two lines and you don’t hear from him again.

This movie almost seems like an in-depth documentary, meaning that the characters never really develop and we never learn too much about them. We basically only get a few of their thoughts and feelings on their own situation during the war. It is almost like we are simply getting a brief overview of the events of Charlie Company during the Battle of Guadalcanal without getting to know the soldiers. Because of this approach, it is hard for the viewer to get into the movie and really relate to any of the characters.

We are given some characters that have the potential to be very interesting (i.e. characters that a viewer could really begin to care about.) But then we don’t see them anymore. With the exception of about four characters, this movie is a collage of cameos and random perspectives on the war. These cameos would be okay if we did get to explore the lives and perspectives of the five characters we see briefly, but even with these characters, we don’t get much of a variety on the thoughts they have.

First, we meet Private Witt (Jim Caviezel), who is a free spirit among the Charlie Company. He is always thinking about his thoughts on the laws of nature with Sergeant Welsh, played by Sean Penn. Welsh is a man that seems to follow with the Marine’s orders, but doesn’t quite understand what is happening around him. This is why he cares so much about the spiritual and off-kilter Witt.

We also meet Private Bell (Ben Chaplin), whose thoughts during the war center on his wife and children. We learn nothing about Private Bell except for the fact that he misses his wife and Sergeant Sassaro, played by Elias Koteas, is a man that has trouble leading his men into battle because of a past experience, only we never find out what the past experience is. Thus, we really don’t feel that bad for him.

Finally, we have Lt Col. Tall, played by Nick Nolte, who is as gang-boss as they come about defining the Japanese. He is the typical wannabe war hero. He thinks only of himself and personal awards instead of the well-being of the group. He is possessed by the thought of leading his men to victory and the accolades he will gain from it.

Along with the above, on each member of the group, “The Thin Red Line” stresses nature’s effect on the soldiers. We are constantly given landscape shots and parallels between nature and what is happening during the war.

Director and writer (even though the story was based on the book by James Jones) Terrance Malick emphasizes spiritual connection between mankind and the Earth. Malick accomplishes this by portraying the relations between the American soldiers and the Japanese, the Moslemic natives, who stress family and tranquility. He hints at Buddhism with the idea that all men are part of the same being. Malick also ponder The origins of the evil in war throughout the film. From that idea, Malick questions the origins of love as well.

“The Thin Red Line” is amazing. Terrance Malick is an incredible director that relays the emotions of the American soldier directly to the viewer. Even though these things are true, the movie is a character development, which, if present, would make “The Thin Red Line” a truly incredible picture. But without it, the movie just stays where it is.

Listen to your ‘Godfather’!

Family matters...

By CASEY MCCUSKEY

“The Godfather” Trilogy is the epic saga of the Corleone family. Though each of the three films is a masterpiece in itself, one must see the entire series to understand the complete family history.

Although many people think of “The Godfather,” they think of the Mafia, the story is truly about family. “The Godfather” movies are the Corleone family and their family business. Director Francis Ford Coppola is a brilliant job balancing the story of the family and the business in which they are involved, while all along emphasizing that the Corleones are in the business together as a family. It won him the Oscar for Best Picture in 1972.

The head of the family is Vito “Don” Corleone who lives by the rules of the old country where he was born, Sicily. He has come to America and raised his family to appreciate the freedom America has to offer. He also teaches them that the most important thing in life is family and that the family is the most important thing in their lives.

In one of his most memorable roles, Marlon Brando does a wonderful job portraying this family man as both a kind and caring father and a tough and merciless Godfather. His role won Brando an Academy Award for Best Actor in 1972.

Don Corleone is rich, powerful and feared by all, except maybe his children who love and respect their father and realize their own roles in the family. The family's power and influence extend far beyond the United States, with branches in countries around the world.

Fredo is the second son who is not as intelligent as his brothers. Sonny is the eldest son, played by James Caan, is Sonny, the hot-headed brute who sometimes speaks out of turn and often wants to use violence to solve the family's problems.

Fredo is the second son who is not known for his wit, and therefore is not always included in the inner circle of the family business. Tom Hagen, played by Robert Duvall, has been raised by the Don as a son since the time Sonny was a baby. Sonny brought Tom home to the Corleones because he was homeless. Hagen has become the Corleones' lawyer and one of the Don's greatest advisors.

Michael, played by Al Pacino, is the youngest son and was always the Don's favorite child. He was groomed to take over the family business, but had plans of his own and joined the war. Although this greatly disappointed the Don, he still always knew that Michael's first priority would be his family.

Through these five men, the story of the Corleone family is told in chilling detail. The Godfather: Part II continues the story of the Corleone family and their business. But also gives much broader historical context to the story of the family's rise to power. This film tells two stories.

The first story is the childhood of Vito Corleone and how he became known as the Don and as Godfather to many. Robert DeNiro turns in an Oscar winning performance as Vito Corleone, a young Sicilian working to better his family.

The second story is Michael Corleone's rise to power as the new Don. Coppola does a brilliant job weaving together three stories so the audience can see the struggles side by side that both a father and his son experience as they both become one of the most powerful men in America, a generation apart from each other.

This movie won the Oscar's Best Picture in 1974, which was a great accomplishment for a sequel. “The Godfather: Part III” is the weakest of the three movies, but still a must see for anyone who has seen the first two. The story of the Corleone family continues with an older Michael Corleone struggling with two problems in his life - legitimizing the family business by fleeing from the crime world and finding a rightful and suitable heir to the family after his retirement.

Vincent, played by Andy Garcia, is the person everyone believes will be the successor, but Michael worries about his temper and his intentions. Michael wants someone to follow the plan he has for the family and he knows Vincent may be the person who takes the legitimate family business back to the world of underground crime and violence. The story of Godfather is based on the novel of the same name by Mario Puzo from 1990, but did not bring home the Oscar.

Many have seen the Godfather Trilogy in its three movie format, but there is another way to view this masterpiece for all die-hard fans. “The Godfather Saga” has been released as the story of the Corleone family told in complete chronological order. From Vito Corleone coming to America and raising his family, to Michael taking the family business over, to Michael defending his family against the mafia, to Michael taking the family business over, to Michael defending his family against the mafia. From beginning to end, it provides a brilliantly dramatic look at a family's internal conflicts as well as the underground world of crime.

Family matters...
**Scene**

Monday, February 8, 1999

**High School Pan of the Week**

"She's All That"

**Director:** Robert Iscove

**Starring:** Freddie Prinze Jr., Rachel Leigh Cook, Jodi Lynn O'Keefe, Paul Walker and Usher Raymond

**Out of five stars**

By DAN SULLIVAN

To quote Laney Boggs, (Rachel Leigh Cook): I feel like Julia Roberts in "Pretty Woman," except for that whole booker thing. I couldn't have said it better myself. At her core, "She's All That" is only "Cinderella goes to high school." But this film is definitely marketed for the high school-going MTV audience, following the lead of other teen films, "Clueless" and "Can't Hardly Wait.

Laney Boggs, an artistic, socially just introvert, leads a hard life. Her mother has died, her father is a pool man and her younger brother is seemingly deaf. Suddenly her life is transformed into a fairy tale as the most popular guy in school suddenly becomes attracted to her. Unfortunately, Zack's (Freddie Prinze Jr.) instant attraction is due to a bet with his fellow members of the high school elite.

Rachel Leigh Cook, probably known best for her role as the frowning pan-swinging, anti-teen chick, carried the film completely. Her performance as Laney showed charm and depth, dwarfing the efforts of her fellow actors. To put it simply, all the other characters in this film were portrayed as flat, one-dimensional characters with no evidence of change. Even Zack, (Freddie Prinze Jr.) with the role of the knight in shining armor and all-around nice guy, seems in the end to be the same guy he was at the film's start, lending no credence to the acceptance of the bet in the first place. The weakness of "She's All That" is mostly due to the script. The screenplay just didn't deliver. The dialogue is the most obvious reason for the flatness found in each character — with lines equivalent to "duh" and "whatever." It is hard for any actor to really delve into a character with such base character development. Also, simple and very noticeable details are never explained nor given relevance in the unfolding of the story. One such detail which irked me throughout the film was the fact that the little brother, Simon, seemed to be prominently wearing a hearing aid, yet he had no bearing on the plot whatsoever.

All that aside, the film was able to make me laugh, though much of the humor appears to be contemporary pop culture and is sure to date the film before its video release. All in all it was a cute film, which caused me to reminisce about the stories of my old high school days. It was a fair reason to veg out, being worth a few good laughs.

"She's All That" is mildly recommended, only because it did make me snicker and because Rachel Leigh Cook's performance was more than entertaining. My advice, though, is to wait until it comes out on video.

**Weekly Video Rentals**

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**Oscar Nominations**

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Austen wins streak

Roy posts 46th career shutout as Colorado defeats Dallas, 3-0

Associated Press

Patrick Roy stopped 27 shots for his 46th career shutout and the Colorado Avalanche extended their franchise-long winning streak to 12 games with a 3-0 victory over the Dallas Stars on Sunday.

Roy won his 11th consecutive decision and his 17th in his last 18 starts of the season as he blanked the team with the most points in the Western Conference.

Roy, who has three shutouts during his personal 11-game streak, passed his stint of the afternoons during a man Dallas power play midway through the third period. Roy stopped three quick shots while his team was down two players.

Colorado's winning streak is the NHL's longest since the Pittsburgh Penguins won a league-high 17 straight in 1992-93.

Clare Lemieux, Chris Drury and Jon Klemm scored for Colorado, which last lost on Jan. 3, 2-1 at Detroit.

After a scoreless first period, Colorado got its game's first goal from Lemieux at 8:14 of the second period. His blast from the right circle got through the pads of Stars goalie Ed Belfour for Lemieux's 20th goal.

Drury made it 2-0 with 17.49 left on a power play, beating Belfour from the high slot for his 11th goal.

Klemm added his first of the season on a two-on-one break with Peter Forsberg with 3:12 left in the period.

Dallas held a 27-12 shots-on-goal advantage, but Colorado's penalties kept the Stars off the scoreboard on seven power-play chances.

Dallas, 3-1-1 in its last five games, is now four points below Phoenix and six in front of Colorado on the Western Conference standings.

Stars forward Brim Skulander suffered a first-period chest contusion and did not return.

Penguins 2

Red Wings 1

PITTSBURGH

Goalie Tom Barrasso stopped 35 shots and the Penguins extended their winning streak to six games with a 2-1 over the Detroit Red Wings on Sunday.

It was the second consecutive strong start for Barrasso, who had two opportunities since a four-game injury absence on Friday to shut out Florida. He had gone nine days without playing after suffering a neck injury in a game against Carolina on Jan. 26.

Kip Miller's rebound of a Kevin Hatcher shot gave the Penguins a 1-2 lead at 11:13 of the second period. It was Miller's ninth of the season.

Martin Lapointe's 12th goal of the season, which went in at 1-1 on a power-play goal from Vyacheslav Kozlov, at 9:36 of the second period. It was Miller's ninth of the season.

Alex Kovalev intercepted Igor Larionov's pass at 15:43 of the first period and quickly put it a 20-shot foord into Detroit goalie Chris Osgood's glove. It was Kovalev's 16th goal of the season, his first shorthanded, and extended his point-scoring streak to six games.

The Red Wings are on a 1-3-1 skid and Osgood is winless in four decisions (0-3-1).

Blackjacks defensemen Jiri Slegr was slashing on the arm in the second period and did not return.


ASSOCIATED PRESS

BOSTON

Joe Thornton scored the game-winner with 3:27 left in the game to give the Boston Bruins a 3-2 win over the New York Rangers on Sunday, ending Boston's four-game winless streak.

Thornton's backhand from the right side of the crease beat Rangers goalie Mike Richter for his 10th goal of the season.

Adam Graves tied the game at 12:15 of the third period with his team-leading 24th goal of the season. He took the puck at his blue line, broke free of the defense and put the puck between Dafoe's pads for his first shorthanded tally of the season.

Brian Leetch scored his eighth goal of the season on a shot from the slot midway through the third period cutting the Boston lead to 2-1.

Boston jumped out to a 1-0 lead on a power-play goal at 15:04 of the first period, his 16th of the season.

It was only the third power-play goal the Rangers have allowed in their last seven games. The Bruins were one for five in the power play.

Dmitri Khristich made it 2-0 on a one-timer at 16:27 of the second period for his 1st goal of the season. It was his first in the last seven games.

Dafoe broke a six-game winless streak as he stopped 25 of 27 Rangers shots including 13 in the second period.

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Marc Lamont

BOSTON

Jamal Mashburn sealed the fate of Marcus Camby and the Knicks with his 23-point performance in Sunday's game.

Mourning and Larry Johnson changed the outcome of that playoff series by getting into a fight at the end of Game 4, but both were on their best behavior Sunday.

Johnson had 10 points and 15 rebounds, helping the Knicks to a 61-61 edge on the boards. But the rebounding edge merely kept the Knicks close as Miami led almost the entire way.

Two foul shots by Mourning gave Miami an 82-79 lead with 35 seconds left, and the Knicks called timeout after grabbing an offensive rebound with 20 seconds left.

The ball went to Spree, outside the 3-point line, and he forced up a double-clutch shot that failed to even hit the rim.

The rebound was batted around and ended up with Ewing, who missed a layup. Mashburn was fouled and made one of two free throws to close the scoring.

Spree, who shot a 22-foot airball from 24 feet away during the first half, didn't make a basket until 8:23 remained in the fourth quarter.

Porter answered with a pair of wild jumpers as the shot clock was running down, and Spreevailed the game one more time on a corner jumper with 6.12 left.

But Porter answered again, this time with a 3-pointer from in front of the Knicks' bench.

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Knicks top Spurs opener

Associated Press

NEW YORK

This was about as bad as a day for Latrell Sprewell, who has ever had, at least on paper.

He threw up a brick from 3-point range with 10 seconds left and Patrick Ewing followed by missing a layup as New York Knicks lost their home opener, 83-79 Sunday to the Miami Heat.

Sprewell missed his first seven shots, finished 2-for-12 from the field and scored just five points while struggling to fit into New York's offense.

Sprewell also didn't have much success defensively stopping Jamal Mashburn, who had 23 points. Alison Mourning added 16. Terry Porters' backhander from the right circle got through the pads of Osgood again, this time with a 3-point goal.

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OSU investigates violations

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COLUMBUS, Ohio
Ohio State’s athletics department is reviewing recruiting violations committed by two assistant football coaches shortly before last year’s signing day.

Recruiting coordinator Bill Conley visited offensive lineman Bryce Bishop outside his Miami home Jan. 31. Defensive end coach Shawn Sims visited defensive back Rosahd Gilbard that same day at his Jacksonville, Fla., home.

One day earlier and the coaches would have been in the clear. But because of an NCAA-mandated “quiet period” before players sign national letters of intent, recruiting on the Sunday before signing day is limited to on-campus visits.

“There are so many rules, but there is no excuse for not knowing,” Cooper said. “I should have known it. We all should have known it.”

“But I know we did not knowingly violate the rule.”

Cooper said Heath Lyke, Ohio State assistant athletic director and director for compliance services, wrote a report on the violations last week.

“We will take the appropriate steps,” athletic director Andy Geiger said.

Bishop signed with the Buckeyes Wednesday, the first day players were eligible to sign a letter of intent. Gilbard signed with Auburn.

Conley said the rule apparently got over-looked in the hectic shuffle of the final days of the recruiting period.

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Big Ten scoring leader Quincy Lewis led Minnesota (14-6, 5-3) with 23 points, including 13 in the last 5:32 when the Gophers trimmed Michigan’s big lead to five.

Bullock, limited to just eight points in Michigan’s 58-34 loss Thursday at Northwestern, keyed the Wolverines’ 56 percent shooting by making nine of 11 shots. He was also 8-for-8 from the line as Michigan hit 25 of 32 free throws.

Michigan led 35-24 at halftime. But Bullock’s 12-0 run to open the second half field goal, a 3-pointer, as the Wolverines maintained the momentum with a 13-3 spurt over the last 4:49 that gave them a 33-24 halftime lead. When Bullock nailed a jumper just before the horn, Michigan had a 52-35 lead.

Bullock’s layup finally got Michigan on the board 23 seconds later.

That triggered a 18-3 run that gave Michigan an 18-3 lead on Reid’s two free throws with 7:49 to go. The Wolverines maintained the momentum with a 13-3 spurt over the last 4:49 that gave them a 33-24 halftime lead. When Bullock nailed a jumper just before the horn, Michigan had a 52-35 lead.

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**Tennis**

Sampras set to return at Sybase

Associated Press

SAN JOSE, Calif. - He played a little golf and watched some TV. And, for the first time since he was a high school junior, Pete Sampras didn't play in a tennis tournament for a couple of months.

Now he returns to the game he dominates, starting with this week's Sybase Open. Sampras gets his first chance to show whether he's refreshed or rusty on Tuesday night against 84th-ranked Gala Blancon of Spain.

"I definitely felt like I needed this break to start the year off mentally, physically as fresh as possible," Sampras said. "So I am definitely champing at the bit."

Exhausted after a grueling series of tournaments in late 1998 to protect his No. 1 ranking, Sampras passed up the Australian Open in January — the first Grand Slam tournament he's skipped since 1992.

He is just one short of tying Ray Emerson's record of 12 Grand Slam singles titles, and Sampras has said his main motivation is to win more Grand Slams.

**NBA**

Albert returns to TV after 20-month layoff

Associated Press

NEW YORK - After a nearly 20-month layoff, Mary Albert was already back in midseason form Sunday.

Albert was nearly flawless in his radio broadcast of the Knicks' first TV game this season. He was fired by NBC three months later after pleading guilty to吸毒 a former lover during a sexual encounter.

"He's doing great and I think his greatness as an announcer has always been radio," said partner John Andariese. "The listeners are the winner."

Albert began his play-by-play career with MSG on radio in 1966. He worked Knicks games for MSG on television with Andariese from 1986 to 1997 before resigning shortly after being fired by NBC.

He had few problems on Sunday with the adjustment back to TV — despite not feeling completely healthy.

"I have a little cold, but I felt very comfortable," Albert said after the game. "Radio is much more tiring than TV. In television you're really setting up the visuals. This is non-stop and it's a frantic pace."

Because of the wild first quarter in which both teams shot poorly, it took nearly four minutes before Albert got a chance to use his signature call of "Yessss" when Larry Johnson made a three-point shot with 9.5 seconds remaining.

It took far less time for Albert to offer his respected insights. He criticized the game early in the first quarter, calling it "sleepy," and also pointed out on numerous occasions the Knicks' foul trouble and loose shooting.

However, Albert was not perfect. He misidentified players, but that is expected — especially of someone who has been away from the game for so long.

Although his return was overshadowed by Latrell Sprewell's first game at home as a Knick, Albert was welcomed back to Madison Square Garden by fans and former colleagues — including NBC's Bill Walton and Jim Gray.

Before the game, fans lined up to speak with Albert and get his autograph. One fan even got his signature on an NBC cap.

"It's great to have him back because he is New York broadcasting," said Mark Gumbel of Wayne, N.J. "It's great that MSG was able to overlook his indiscretions and I only hope that they put him back on TV soon. I thought it would be ironic if he signed my NBC hat. He didn't even flinch."

Contrary to a report Thursday on Fox Sports Net, Albert and NBC Sports Chairman Dick Ebersol denied they are deep in discussions about bringing Albert back to the network. But Ebersol did add that he would never eliminate the possibility of Albert coming back to NBC.

**Notre Dame St. Mary's Ballroom Dance Club**

**1999 Spring Schedule**

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All classes will meet from 8:30 - 10:00 in 301 Rockne. Admission for each class will be $3.00. We will also be holding practice nights every Thursday night free of charge for those who want the extra practice. If you enjoy the first class and would like to become a member, a semester membership is $15.00 and covers the cost of all the classes for one semester. If you have any questions, feel free to call any of the officers and we will be happy to help you out. Please remember to wear sneakers or tennis shoes to dance in. We look forward to seeing you out on the dance floor.
Nets achieve revenge against Hawks

Associated Press

EAST RUTHERFORD, N.J. — No físico, no broken bones and no as many fouls. In their second meeting in 24 hours, the New Jersey Nets got some revenge after a vicious game the night before by beating the Atlanta Hawks 79-69 Sunday night.

Keith Van Horn scored 18 of his 24 points in the second half and hit a go-ahead drive across the lane with 3:22 to play in the matchup that is quickly developing into a rivalry.

The Hawks, who became the first NBA team in more than a decade to play three straight nights, made only 23 of 78 shots (29.5 percent). Atlanta had scored more than 100 points in its first two games.

Chris Gatling, playing with a sprained knee, started at point guard for a lockout-shortened season.

Backup forward Scott Burrell started in place of injured Forward Kendall Gill, who was out because of injuries to Sam Cassell and Eric Murdock on Saturday.

The Hawks, who had not had an NBA win since they were founded in 1973, leading 13-2 run in splitting the home-and-home series.

But Williams, whose energetic playing style makes him a fan favorite at The Palace, scored six points in the fourth quarter when they used a 14-4 spurt to take a 90-86 lead with 2:08 to go.

Jason Van Horn, who had 29 points on Saturday night, then drove across the lane to put New Jersey ahead. He added two free throws and then Gill pushed the lead to six with two more free throws with 2:08 to go.

Gatling, who got into showtime with Grant Long in the second half, tied the game with a jumper from the corner with 1:59 to go.

While the game had some heated moments, it was a lot calmer than Saturday night’s 111-106 game that ended with Smith and Gill reportedly wrestling on a hallway floor shortly after the final horn.

Williams also had his nose broken by a Dikembe Mutombo elbow and Cassell also had to be carried off the floor because of cramps and an ankle injury after scoring a career-high 36 points in the game that featured 72 fouls and 98 free throws.

Cassell and Murdock joined Kerry Kittles (knee) and backup center Ronny Turiaf (ankle) on the sidelines Sunday night, leaving the Nets with nine players.

The Nets player who got the biggest ovation in their first home game was 5-foot-5 Earl Boykins.

Irish

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Dame hits the road to take on and Rutgers are crucial. Notre Dame has an 0-4 record against the Scarlet Knights this season but that doesn’t mean the Irish can’t stop the team in its tracks.

The Irish (12-8, 5-4 Big East) are coming off a 92-76 win over Seton Hall in South Bend and have the opportunity to make a statement against the conference leaders.

The Scarlet Knights (15-6, 7-1 Big East) are coming off a loss to Xavier in the Big East Tournament semifinals and are looking for revenge.

The Irish will face off against the Scarlet Knights at 7 p.m. on Thursday at the Purcell Pavilion.

For more information on Holy Cross’ one-year Candidate Program contact:
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But those who attended were encouraged at midcourt for about two minutes just after the National Anthem and thanked the fans for attending.

The game was fairly typical NBA fare. The Pacers started with three straight 3-pointers for a 3-0 lead.

But the Pistons, behind the play of Stuckey and Eric Montross, battled back to lead by as many as nine in the second quarter.

The Palace, which holds 21,454 for basketball, wasn’t nearly full and those who showed up weren’t especially loud. The arena’s upper bowl, which holds 10,000, appeared about half empty. Heavy snow was forecast for the area, which may have kept some people home.

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Constitution Day

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Captain Sheila McMillen contributed eight points and four rebounds to the Irish win over Seton Hall.

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Associated Press

AUBURN HILLS, MICH. — Jerome Williams scored 11 of his 13 points in the fourth quarter to spark a Detroit rally and lift the Pistons to a 107-95 win over the Indiana Pacers Sunday night.

Grant Hill scored 26 points and Jerry Stackhouse came off the bench for 20 for the surprising Pistons, who have won their first two games.

Reggie Miller scored 26 for the Pacers.

A basket by Antonio Davis — one of three Pacers with 12 points — pulled Indiana into an 86-86 tie with 6:56 left.

But Williams, whose energetic play makes him a fan favorite at The Palace, scored six points in a 7-0 burst that gave Detroit a 93-86 lead with 4:49 remaining.

Williams made two free throws, then a driving layup, giving Detroit a 90-86 lead with 3:33 remaining. After Hill made one of two free throws, Williams scored on a rebound, putting the Pistons safely ahead.

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had eight points off the bench, before leaving the game with a sprained knee.

Just a few games remain on the Irish’s regular-season schedule, so this week’s Big East contests with Villanova and Rutgers are crucial. Notre Dame hits the road to take on Villanova on Wednesday and then travels to Rutgers Saturday for a game that should be a battle for second place in the conference.

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GENERAL MEETING

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said, "Once again tonight, Forrest was as he's been, he made the big, critical save when we needed it."
The save marked a turning point in the game, as Kurr's heroics seemed to spark an offensive attack. Shortly after Adams's breakaway, Notre Dame gave the Spartans a taste of their own medicine by unleashing an intense forecheck, spearheaded by team captain Brian Urick. Urick forced an MSU defensemen into an ill-advised clearing attempt, one which was gloved down by senior Ankett Dhadphale. Dhadphale then quickly passed the puck to linemate Ben Simon, who banged it home to tie the game for his 14th goal of the year. Dhadphale's assist on the play was point No. 100 for his career.
The teams then played an intense but cautious third period and an overtime in which neither managed to score. Notre Dame's best chance in overtime came from sophomore Ryan Dolder, who got off two consecutive shots on Joe Blackburn, but was denied both times.
The tie was the third in a row for the Spartans, and their fourth in the last six games. Afterwards, MSU coach Ron Mason actually seemed content with the outcome.
"You come in here, and Notre Dame is playing extremely well," Mason said. "They haven't lost here. They are a very well-coached team. You won't get many chances because they play so well positionally. Both teams are very evenly matched."
On Saturday, the Irish needed to regroup to take on Alaska-Fairbanks. Just as they have in the previous two meetings this season, the Irish dominated the Nanooks with goaltending and special teams. Notre Dame went four-for-four on the penalty-kill allowing a total of one shot in all four chances combined. In addition, their power play scored twice in the first period, on goals by Urick and Dhadphale, who currently leads the team in power play goals with eight.
Notre Dame's key players led the way offensively, and no one more so than Brian Urick. In 12 career games against the Nanooks, Urick has amassed 19 points, with 11 goals and eight assists after scoring a goal and two assists on Saturday night.
Urick's return to the ice this weekend following a recent hand injury was key according to Poulin.
"Having [Brian] back in the lineup means more than just that, because you have him back in the locker room and you have him back on the bench."
Against 10th-place UAFO, the Irish showed why they are a top-10 team by dominating the game on special teams. But when asked what makes this team top-10 material, Urick hinted that it's more than just special teams.
"I think it's [the power play] and our defensive play," Urick said. "We haven't given up more than two goals in a lot of games this year. Our defense and goaltending have been the key."
With the three-point weekend, Notre Dame managed to keep their home-ice record unblemished at 10-0-2. And just as MSU coach Mason alluded to, that perfect record on home ice will become even more important as the team heads into the playoffs.
"We were able to maintain our home-ice record, which, as it continues, is going to be intimidating," Poulin said.

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PRIMARY ELECTIONS

Monday, February 8, 1999

Voting Times:
11:00 am- 1:00 pm
5:00pm- 7:00pm
(voting takes place in all Residence Halls during these times ONLY)

Off-Campus Voting Times:
11:00am-5:30pm
In C1 Parking Lot (weather-permitting)

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Senior Anton Wyche finished Saturday’s game in double-digits to help Notre Dame defeat Seton Hall.

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The Pirates spurt abruptly ended when Holloway sprained his neck after being floored by one of the most effective screens in Hickey’s career. Holloway did not return.

“They were on a roll,” Hickey said. “That was a big turn. It’s kind of an intimidating thing. I never meant to hurt anyone, but it was a clean play.”

With their floor general and offensive spark out of the game, Notre Dame controlled things the rest of the way.

The Irish pushed the lead to as many as 20 behind a pair of alley-oop dunks by Murphy from Dillon and some easy fast break buckets by Wyche.

“We were on our ‘A’ game today,” Dillon said. “We were contesting shots. We did everything that a good team has to do to win. Our offense basically came of our defense.”

“We wing games on the defensive end and we really shut them down” said Martin Ingelsby who had four steals, six points, and six assists. “The breakaway lay-ups really broke the game open.”

The Irish will see if they can continue to build momentum Wednesday when the Georgetown Hoyas come to the Joyce Center.

The South Bend Tribune contributed to this article.

MEN’S BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

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The Office of Undergraduate Admissions needs your help!!

In an effort to better serve the international community and increase the diversity on our campus, we need your experience, energy and creativity to recruit international students.

We will meet Monday, February 8th at 7:00 p.m. in the basement of Grace Hall.

This meeting of the entire international community will last only 1 hour.

All students who attended high school abroad (US citizens and citizens of foreign countries) are more than welcome to attend and help our efforts. We look forward to our gathering on Monday night!

For questions, please call Felicia at 1-3323

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TIME OUT FOR ETHICS!

The Center for Ethics and Religious Values in Business Presents:

ETHICS WEEK, FEBRUARY 15-19, 1999

Schedule of Events Includes:

Monday, February 15, 1999
Faculty Workshop featuring Professor Susan Carter
12:00-1:00, COBA Room 339

Tuesday, February 16, 1999
Faculty Workshop focusing on the course, “Chemistry and Public Policy”
featuring Professor Marya Lieberman
12:30-1:30, COBA Room 339

Second Annual Ethics Week Debate:
Students for Responsible Business Topic:
“Should Nike Continue Its Sweatshop Operations in Less Developed Countries?” Moderator: Fr. Oliver Williams, featuring faulty Paula Tkac, Paul Schulz, Matthew Bloom, and Lee Tavis
6:15-7:15 p.m. Jordan Auditorium

Thursday, February 18, 1999
“The 21st Century Leadership Shadow - Influence vs. Authority”
presented by Ron Burns
12:30-1:45, Jordan Auditorium (COBA)

“Principles Build Profits”
presented by Professor Curt Verschoor from DePaul University
3:45-5:00, COBA Room 160
*reception to follow in the COBA atrium

February, February 19, 1999
Faculty Workshop featuring Professor Curt Verschoor
12:00-1:00, COBA Room 339
Irish easily sail past Pirates, 76-60

By JOEY CAVATO

Saturday’s basketball game in East Rutherford, N.J. against the Seton Hall Pirates was a homecoming for freshman Troy Murphy, but Irish coach John MacLeod probably enjoyed it more.

A 62-percent field-goal percentage, a .22-13 assist-to-turnover ratio, and a defensive effort that holds an opponent to 31 percent shooting from the field will just put a smile on any coach’s face.

Winning back-to-back games for the first time since the first week of January will do wonders for a team’s psyche.

Murphy’s 22 points led the Irish to victory over Seton Hall on Saturday at the Joyce Center.

The Irish committed 16 first-half turnovers and kept the Pirates in the game for the first 20 minutes, but went on a 14-0 run in the second to pull away and cruise to their 10th-straight victory.

“I thought defensively we played a pretty good game,” head coach Muffet McGraw said. “Offensively we really struggled in the first half. Although we shot the ball well, our execution was poor and we turned it over 16 times which way over even our high average. I think it was a little bit of a loss of concentration and focus, but we got that back in the second half. Notre Dame clung to a 33-27 halftime lead, but played with more intensity in the second half and ran the floor extremely well.

“In the first half, our offense was really bad,” said Ivey, who was 6-of-7 from the field on the afternoon. “I was trying to execute, but it wasn’t really working, so I was just trying to get any open looks. One offense that was working was the transition, so I was just trying to throw the ball up and get some good looks in the open court.

The Irish had 23 points off turnovers and outscored the Pirates 12-2 on fast break points.

“Today, I just had a good feeling inside that I would play well.”

Irish easily sail past Pirates, 76-60

By TED BASSANI

Sports Writer

With two CCHA home games this past weekend, the Notre Dame needed to earn three points to keep pace with the rest of the conference leaders and that’s exactly what it did.

With a 2-2 tie against No. 4 Michigan State and a 5-2 win over Alaska-Fairbanks, the Irish now sit just two points behind third-place Michigan, who lost twice at home over the weekend.

The team also gave themselves something breathing room in the race for home ice in the NCAA play-offs as they opened up a four-point lead over fifth-place Northern Michigan.

Friday’s matchup against the Spartans was not only No. 4 versus No. 9 in the national polls but the CCHA’s best power play unit (Notre Dame) versus its best penalty-kill unit (Michigan State). In the early going, Michigan State’s penalty-kill unit took control by killing off two consecutive power plays, which included a short 5-on-3 skating advantage for the Irish.

However, when the Spartans got their first two power play chances later on in the first period, the results were radically different.

In a span of 2:26, Rustyn Dorey and Bryan Adams each scored a power-play goal to give the Irish a two-goal lead, the Irish needed to turn things around quickly, and their power play unit, as it has all year, did just that. After making a great play to keep the puck in the offensive zone, senior Benoit Cotnoir fired a wrist shot through a screen which beat goaltender Joe Blackburn to narrow the gap to 3-1.

One constant throughout the game for Michigan State was the play of their forwards, where they dominated Notre Dame for most of the night. Senior Mike York and junior Shawn Horcoff took most of the draws for MSU, and won them with stunning regularity.

“Tonight they pretty much owned us on faceoffs,” said Irish center Ben Simon. “I don’t think it was a matter of focus, they were just really good off the faceoff.”

The Irish had 23 points off turnovers and outscored the Spartans 13-9 for the night.

“TODAY, I JUST HAD A GOOD FEELING INSIDE THAT I WOULD PLAY WELL.”

Erica Haney

FRESHMAN FORWARD

“I came out relaxed, but I was a bit nervous and tried to do what I know I can do.”

“I thought Ericka did a great job down low, but Ruth I thought just wasn’t aggressive,” McGraw said. “I think she really didn’t attack them. She didn’t have a lot of opportunities. She was 0-for-1 at halftime at halftime and didn’t have any offensive rebounds. I’m not sure if it was their defense pushing her off or if it was her, but I thought they played well defensively in the first half.”

Haney also played a big part in the Irish full court pressure, which forced the Pirates into 28 turnovers and limited them to just 28 percent shooting from the field.

“I thought in the second half, we came out with a little more pressure,” McGraw said. “I thought starting Ericka was a big key in that. She was able to come out and haw the ball a little more and force them into turning the ball over a little bit more.”

Sophomore forward Kelley Siemon also played well in the blocks for Notre Dame, as she finished with five rebounds and 10 points on 4-of-5 shooting.

Freshman Sherisha Hills finished with five rebounds and 10 points on 4-of-5 shooting.