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Saint Mary's Editor

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Clay Township fire department respond­ed to the emergency call at 2:01 p.m. German and Harris Township squads and the Notre Dame Fire Department were called for back-up within six minutes. The squads had the fire under control within 33 minutes, Shabbel said.

"The fire began on the second floor, after plum­bers "sweat­ing the pipes" ignited insula­tion in the pipe casing within the walls. It spread quickly into the third floor and damaged about four rooms. Ten to 12 other rooms were damaged by water, Shabbel reported. Water also seeped through the ceiling into the first floor, causing additional damage.

"There was considerable damage," said captain Tom Quarandillo of the Notre Dame Fire Department. "I would not be surprised if it would be more than $75,000 worth in damaged."

Most of the damage took place in bath­rooms on the second floor where the fire began.

"The rooms were typically very wet and debris was all over," Quarandillo said. "We had to knock out some walls and water damaged some ceilings."

Upon arrival, firefighters noticed smoke coming from the windows. No other signs of fire were evident on the outside since the building is mainly concrete, Shabbel said.

After extinguishing the fire, firefighters remained for more than four hours "sort­ing out details," Shabbel said.

Guests at the Inn were evacuated imme­diately.

The second and third-floor south wings have been shut off, and occupants in those rooms are staying in the north wing.

Louis Christian, manager of the Inn, declined comment.

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**Two cemeteries, 150 years of tradition**

**Notre Dame graveyards provide final resting place for local legends**

By FINN PRESSLY
News Writer

Whether driving up Notre Dame Avenue or walking along Saint Mary's Road, most visitors encounter one of Notre Dame's two graveyards: the Holy Cross Community Cemetery or Cedar Grove Cemetery.

The Community Cemetery opened in 1845 on what was once known as "St. Mary's Island"—the elevated land between the lakes that is presently occupied by Columba Hall. The "Island Cemetery" served as the final resting place for all clergy in the Congregation.

The Cedar Grove Cemetery was used for the lay con­gregation.

In 1857, following the orders of Father Basil Moreau, the deceased nun's were exhumed and relocated to the graveyard at what was then known as Saint Mary's Academy, according to the Aug. 15, 1895, edi­tion of Chronicles of the Congregation. The remains of the priests and brothers were also removed and reburied in a tract of land in nearby St. Aloysius Grove, where they remain today.

The move to the new Community Cemetery was completed in 1868, when Father James Dillon became the first person to be officially interred there, according to a 1961 map of the cemetery.

The headstones that face Saint Mary's Road are actually those of distinguished lay professors such as James Edwards, Joseph Lyons and Albert Francis Zahm, brother of Father John Zahm.

The rest of the cemetery is made up of orderly rows of identical concrete crosses. The crosses were originally cast iron with paint­ed informa­tion, but concerns over upkeep and the possibility of sinking ground caused officials to replace them with engraved concrete crosses mounted on concrete bases.

Father Edward Sorin's grave is among the sea of headstones, located at the head of the graveyard under a large wooden crucifix and flanked by army chaplains Father William Corby and Father Conaty. According to the June 1906 edition of Scholastic Magazine, Sorin's grave was once marked by a "magnificent marble statue of the Redeemer resting on a pedestal that is the rival of any like piece of art in the country.

While the Redeemer has since been removed, one piece of statuary does remain. A marble replica of Michelangelo's Pieta honors those Holy Cross clergy who died overseas in missions to Bangladesh and the Philippines.

Cedar Grove Cemetery occupies 25 acres of land along Notre Dame
"Outside the Dome

Wisconsin sweatshop protest reaches three days

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LEGEND

Rain Flurries Snow Ice Sunny PI. Cloudy Cloudy

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STORRS, Conn.

Students support same-sex marriage

The Undergraduate Student Government became one of this year's time, Ward said UW will withdraw any involvement with the college — and it appears the Board will have quite a fight on its hands, as approximately 1,000 mostly Greek students gathered in protest Wednesday night in front of College President James Wright's Webster Ave. home.

"The University of Connecticut is nothing close to what goes on at our school," said Wright to The Daily Free Press. "There are some things women just shouldn't do," a sexist acquaintance said to me once. "Boxing is most definitely one of them." They learned not to box when they are female they assume that because they are off-limits.

They learned jabs and powers and hooks; knees-on-the-ground, the cold, petrified sweat of the boxing gloves.

There is a certain novelty attached to the idea of women wearing boxing gloves in this country; the thought conjures visions of perky blondes in spandex titting "punch-and-one-and two-and-three!" to perky music in a lively and twirly...
Gaus, Janowsky win Dooley

Dr. David Gaus and Erik Janowsky, founders of Andean Health and Development (AHD), a non-profit organization which seeks to modernize and improve health care in Ecuador, have received the 1999 Dr. Thomas Dooley Award for outstanding service to humankind from the Notre Dame Alumni Association.

Gaus, a native of Milwaukee, graduated from Notre Dame in 1984 with a degree in business administration. After graduation, he worked for two years in Quito, Ecuador, at the Working Boy's Center, a family development project serving poor families around the capital city. Having become interested in medicine, he returned to Notre Dame for professional studies and to work as assistant rector in Zahm Hall from 1986-88. He received a medical degree and a master's degree in public health and tropical medicine from Tulane University in 1992. He served a residency in family medicine at the University of Wisconsin at St. Luke's Hospital in Milwaukee and was a member of the medical facility at Wisconsin for two years before moving to Ecuador in 1997.

Gaus and his wife, Elizabeth, have two children, Gabriella and Christopher.

Janowsky, a native of South Bend, graduated from Notre Dame in 1987 with a professional arts and letters degree. Following graduation, he went to Ecuador as a Peace Corps volunteer to work in fish culture and gardening projects in the Amazon region. Returning to the United States, he received a master's degree from Tulane University in 1991 and then spent a year in Honduras working with street children.

In 1992 he returned to Tulane to obtain a doctoral degree in Latin American studies and international health at Tulane's Graduate School for Latin American Studies and School of Public Health. In 1996 he conducted study of public health development for the urban poor and homeless children of Ecuador and moved there permanently two years ago to work on a health care project in the rural town of Pedro Vicente Maldonado.

Together, Gaus and Janowsky founded AHD, a non-profit organization that promotes and develops new systems of health care financing, delivery systems, community training and community-based research in Ecuador. Father Theodore Hesburgh, president emeritus of Notre Dame, chairs AHD's board of directors and the organization receives support from many Notre Dame alumni in Ecuador.

Who's #8 on this year's list of FORTUNE's 100 Best Companies to Work For in America?

The Observer regrets the error.

Correction

Samantha Snyder, NDSMC Right to Life co-president, was misquoted in Thursday's paper. Roughly 140 students attended the 1998 March for Life in Washington, D.C. The 1998 event marked the 25th anniversary of the Supreme Court's Roe v. Wade decision legalizing abortion.

The Observer regrets the error.
Cemetery
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Avenue.

"We've recently expanded. We've moved into the old golf
course [and added] three or
four acres," said Tim Mosier,
sexton of the cemetery.

Though the construction of the new bookstore and visi-
tors' center has expanded
campus borders within yards of
the cemetery, it was once a
considerable distance from the
front gates of campus, which
were once located near pre-

day Hurley Hall.

The first man to be officially
curled in Cedar Grove was
William Richardville, who
died March 28, 1847. Since
then, nearly 15,000 people
have been buried beneath the
namesake cedars. Mosier said,
"There's a lot of fairly
famous people here," he said.

Alexis Coguillard, the first
white settler in the area, is
buried there, as well as Pierre
Navarre, the French-Canadian
fur trader for whom South
Bend's Navarre-Park is
named.

Former basketball coach and
athletic director Moose Krause
is also buried there, as are
numerous assistant football
coaches, Mosier said.

Joining this hallowed gathering
takes more than just a Notre Dame diploma, however.

"You would have to be a
Notre Dame employee, staff
member, or somehow affiliat-
ed with the University," said
Mosier. "Anybody from profes-
sors to the guy who cuts the
grass [can buried here]."

"Alumni are not eligible," he
added. "Otherwise, we'd be-
ful.

In the center of the cemetery
is the diminutive chapel built
by Brother Francis Xavier
Patin, a member of Sorin's
original retinue. Patin, who
also built coffins, designed
many of the original buildings
on campus, including Old
College, the Log Chapel,
Brownson Hall, and the pre-

day Earth Sciences build-
ing.

The chapel is only used
twice a year, when parish-
tioners from Sacred Heart cele-
brate Memorial Day and All
Souls Day services, Mosier
said.

This statue of the Sacred Heart watches over a Notre Dame cemetery.
Unabomber cuts book deal

NEW YORK

Unabomber Theodore J. Kaczynski has landed a book deal to tell his story, which will give the proceeds to his victims' families, the publisher said Thursday. "Truth Versus Lies," the "startling account," is the first side of a one-sided tale that was spun by his family and his attorneys in their attempt to save him from the death penalty," said Bruce I. Friedlander, publisher of Context Media. Kaczynski is serving a life sentence for 16 bombs attacks that killed three people and wounded 29. He pleaded guilty last year in Sacramento, Calif., to avoid the death penalty. As part of that deal, he also agreed to turn over any future earnings to the victim's families. After Kaczynski tried unsuccessfully last year to get a book to more established New York publishers including Simon & Schuster, Friedlander wrote to the former mathematician-prisoner in prison.

Couple bils Medicaid

ALBANY, N.Y.

A couple that ran an autistic group home billed Medicaid out of more than $75,000 and spent the money on items ranging from Star Trek memorabilia to mail-order degrees, state officials say. They used fake bank documents to start the nonprofit, then they created a sham board of directors to raise $4.5 million, the spokesman for the state Commission on Quality Care, said of Joseph and Mary Ann Fricano. The Fricanos ran the Special Needs Program Inc. in Chatham, about 20 miles south of Albany, in 1984. They then misled the agency with fabricated personnel manuals.

The 'Scream' thief escapes from prison

OSLO, Norway

It's enough to make a lawman scream - the brazen theft of a national painting by one of the world's most famous artists. The theft followed a brush attack of a bridge, an educational trip to Oslo's international airport - and the recovery undamaged three months later in a storied gallery.

"The Scream. " by Norwegian Edvard Munch, many were shocked when it was stolen from a gallery, I'aaal linger, who was serving time for a rape conviction.

Sodium dodecyl sulfate is the first topical agent ever shown to kill human Papilloma virus, or HPV, the sexually transmitted infection that causes cervical cancer, Penn State University researchers announced Thursday. Like many chemicals now being tested, SDS acts by disrupting the virus's protective coating that holds those virus together. But the cervical cancer virus is coated with a tough coat that resists SDS, in addition, HPV is increasing rapidly among women worldwide.

Microbicides are gel-like fluids that women would insert into the vagina before sex to protect against sexually transmitted diseases. Currently, women's only protection is condom use. But, for so, no microbicides have panned out. A study just found that the popular spermicide nonoxynol-9, long thought the best hope for an anti-HIV gel, doesn't protect after all. Scientists now are studying whether other spermicides or chemicals could work instead. But no experimental microbicides have shown any effect against HPV, the cervical cancer virus. In the February journal Antimicrobial Agents and Chemotherapy, Howell reported that in test-tube studies, SDS inactivated both the AIDS and herpes viruses. Like other experimental microbicides, SDS is a detergent that dissolves the fatty coating that holds these viruses together. But the cervical cancer virus is coated with a tough coat that resists SDS, in addition, HPV is increasing rapidly among women worldwide.

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Women lawmakers protest rape ruling

Associated Press

ROME

Women lawmakers wore jeans to Parliament on Thursday and Italy's high court had sentenced Cristiano to two years and eight months in prison, but the appeal is still possible if the victim, identified only as Rosa, waited several hours why the victim, identified only as "a man wearing tight pants," and it said it is impossible if the victim is struggling.

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“Baggy jeans aren’t popular in Italy, and many women prefer tight pants. The decision overturned the 1996 conviction of a 45-year-old driving instructor in southern Italy, Laminante Cristiano, for raping an 18-year-old student. A lower court had sentenced Cristiano to two years and eight months in prison, but the appeal court said the girl must have consented to sex and sent the case back for retrial.

The court also questioned why the victim, identified only as Rosa, waited several hours to tell her parents she’d been attacked. ‘It could be seen as a manual on how to rape,’ said Sonia Viale of Parliament’s Equal Opportunity Commission.

The case is part of a debate in Italy’s parliament over the so-called anti-rape outfit: a comfortable dress, a pair of jeans, and a belt. The ruling said the woman who doesn’t wear a chastity belt will have the ‘right’ to be raped, she said.

The ruling also drew attention to the makeup of the appeals court, which has 10 female justices and 410 men. ‘Nothing can be done. Justice in the court is in the hands of men, often elderly, with old ideas,’ a veteran female justice, Simontaglia Sottigui, told the newspaper La Repubblica.

The court’s decision to overturn a rape conviction has prompted a debate in Italy. The ruling said the woman who doesn’t wear a chastity belt will have the ‘right’ to be raped. It said: ‘If we go on like this, every woman that doesn’t wear a chastity belt will have the “right” to be raped,’ said Sonia Viale of Parliament’s Equal Opportunity Commission.

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Jury finds gun makers liable

Associated Press

NEW YORK — A federal jury Thursday found several gun makers responsible in three-area shootings for letting guns fall into the hands of criminals. Other manufacturers were cleared.

The only damages awarded were $562,000 to the sole survivor of the shootings, who was seriously wounded, and his mother.

Steven Fox, 19, and the relatives of six homicide victims sued the gun industry in federal court in 1992. Fox was shot in the head by a bullet accidentally discharged by a friend, who had bought the gun on the street. The bullet remains lodged in his head.

The class-action lawsuit sought unspecified damages from an industry that generates sales of $2 billion to $3 billion a year.

Like some of the lawsuits brought against Big Tobacco, this one accused the gun industry of negligently marketing a legal product. The case also was closely watched by several cities trying to recover the costs of gun violence.

The jury found 15 of the 25 gun makers found liable for acts of outlaws — including Beretta USA Corp., Colt’s Manufacturing Co. and Jennings Firearms, Inc. — distributed their product negligently. Smith & Wesson Corp. and Sturm, Ruger and Co. were among those cleared.

Afterward, both sides claimed victory.

"I thank God, we absolutely won," said lead plaintiff Freddie Hamilton, whose son, Njazi, was slain in 1993. He predicted the verdict would bring a "new phase" of litigation against the firearms industry.

Plaintiff attorney Elisa Barnes said: "It was an incredible victory... All of the hard work has been worth it.

Industry lawyer James Dorr called the result "a defense verdict in all respects," and John Renzulli, whose clients include Glock, Inc., said "it completely makes no sense."

During the monthlong trial, the plaintiffs argued handgun makers oversupplied gun-friendly markets, mainly in the South, aware that the excess guns flow into criminal hands via illegal markets in New York and other states with stricter anti-gun laws.

The plaintiffs' lawyers accused the defendants of dumping handguns onto the black market like "toxic waste," making no effort to identify and discipline dishonest distributors.

Lawyers for the defendants insisted their responsibility ends once they sell to licensed distributors. They said the job of policing the traffic should be left to the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms, which has never required gun makers to track their products in the street.

Dorrs told the jury it was unfair to "hold the manufacturers of a lawful, legitimately sold product responsible" for guns that are "outside their control... The case is simply wrong."

The gun makers also asserted that in most of the shootings the plaintiffs never presented evidence conclusively linking the weapons used to harm their relatives to specific defendants.

The plaintiffs countered that the "chain of title" is irrelevant, instead accusing the entire industry of creating a widespread risk with negligent marketing — an argument known as collective liability.

"This huge pool of handguns is like toxic waste," the plaintiffs' attorney, Elisa Barnes, said in closing arguments.

Relatives for the victims testified, and attorneys presented statistics on weapons sales, the average age of guns used in crimes, and other aspects of the gun trade.

A key plaintiff witness, former Smith & Wesson Corp. executive Robert Hazz, was too ill to testify but attested by deposition that gun makers took a "no-responsibility end run" on their deadly products. And an economist testified that 90 percent of the handguns used in crimes in New York City in recent years came from southern states.

Testifying for the firearms industry, Chicago-based economics consultant Gustavo Chip Himberger said plaintiffs' arguments about oversupply of get-rich-insane guns lacked economic data and flawed statistics.

Brewery criticized over beer name

Associated Press

BOSTON — Several people have complained that a local beer is in poor taste — not for how it goes down but because of its name: Boston Strangler Stout.

The Red Ray Brewing Co., which makes beers with names tying in with local lore, said local lore — such as Boston Massacre, Lager and Tea Party Porter, is thinking about finding a new name for the Strangler Stout in light of the negative reaction.

"We want to try and do the right thing, to be sensitive to the victims’ families," general manager Jim Lee said Thursday.

Relatives of the Strangler's victims said back Bay should have considered their feelings before naming the beer.

"It's something we had to live with and it keeps being brought up, it still drives us crazy," said Casey Sherman, a television producer whose aunt, 19-year-old Mary Sullivan, was assaulted and a television producer whose aunt, 19-year-old Mary Sullivan, was assaulted and murdered in her apartment by the Strangler in 1964.

The Strangler, one of the nation's most notorious serial killers, killed 13 women between 1962 and 1964. His victims generally were sexually assaulted in their apartment and frequently bound with their own clothing.

Albert DeSalvo, a factory worker, claimed to have been the Strangler. While authorities lacked evidence to put him on trial, the murders, he was convicted in 1967 of sex offenses, assault and armed robbery and sentenced to life in prison.

DeSalvo was killed in his cell in 1973. This was just a terrible time," said Edward Broxke, who led the investigation into the crimes as Massachusetts' attorney general. "It's not something you want to see in your living room."

Back Bay marketing director Kristin Thompson said her company generally names beers after notorious events in Boston history, but never with malicious intent. The Strangler Stout is only served seasonally and won't be available after next week. As for when it will reappear, next year, Lee said: "We'll have it in another 13 months to decide."

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Senate nears impeachment vote

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — With acquittal in sight, the Senate talked its way through a final full day of closed-door deliberations Thursday at President Clinton’s impeachment trial. A vote was expected in the coming days to end two months of votes Friday in the case that the Democrat called “this sordid saga.”

Sen. Olympia Snowe of Maine became the 12th senator to declare publicly that she would vote to acquit Clinton. Republican Liz Chandler of New Mexico announced on Wednesday night that she, too, would vote to acquit, bringing the number of senators who say they will vote to acquit to 11, a quorum.

Not one, not any senator in this chamber nor any person in this country, will look at this president in the same way again,” Sen. Dick Durbin of Illinois said Thursday, returning to the Senate floor after a two-hour break. “This president will not have the respect of anyone in this chamber nor any person in this country. He never will. He will be a pariah in the Senate and in the country.”

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judging on the House’s findings, he said. “This is a sham and a travesty of justice.”

“On no account,” Durbin said, “will I let this president ever be in a position to hurt this country again.”

Santorum, like Snowe a moderate Republican from Maine, has yet to disclose her decision. Another moderate, Smith from Oregon, stopped short of issuing a vote. But several senators issued written statements during the day.

On Wednesday night, after nearly 18 hours of deliberations, Republican Linda Chafee of Rhode Island, who announced on Wednesday that she would vote for conviction, said she is still not sure what she will do. “I have a very difficult decision to make,” she said.
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**Notre Dame Student Not ‘Getting Any’**

Roommates and Sectionmates concerned, Natural Light Stock Plummets

**Notre Dame, IN**

University of Notre Dame student Mike Harrigan hasn’t “got any” thus far in the ‘98-’99 school year, according to sources.

**Mary Beth Ellis**

Harrigan’s roommate, Matt Wills, confirmed the report late last night by mentioning to a member of their section during a nuclear game that, “The deal with Harrigan, man, is that I think he just needs to get some. He never gets any, you know.”

Harrigan, a sophomore finance major from a suburb of Chicago, got some in the fall semester of his freshman year immediately following a Lyons SYR when he hooked up with “someone he named Sarah or Lisa or something,” according to Harrigan.

However, despite attending three SYRs and the McCaffery Hall formal since then, Harrigan hasn’t even come close to getting any, even though he has kept a supply of Natural Light in his refrigerator for just such an occasion.

The Lyons chick was unavailable for comment.

“I just don’t understand,” says Harrigan of his current non-getting any status. “Maybe I’m not getting them drunk enough.”

Harrigan, whose dogbook description characterizes him as liking music and sports, is kind of cute.

“If I were a girl, I guess I’d hook up with Harrigan,” says roommate Tim Ladd, immediately adding, “Not that I’m gay or anything, not that there’s anything wrong with that if you are.”

Ladd is the father of Harrigan as “a nice guy” who can sometimes be a jerk if you hang out in the dorm playing Jedi Rouge Squadron too long.

Harrigan, legendary amongst his sectionmates as the guy with a vintage Charlie’s Angels poster on the door to his room, thought that he had potential of getting some from a Saint Mary’s student at his meat at Irish Connections last Thursday before Harrigan mentioned that in the Notre Dame student body presidential elections, he had voted for the ticket who proposed that all Notre Dame students receive their football tickets before Saint Mary’s students in order to ensure superior seats.

Harrigan believes this may have annoyed the SYRers.

“I kind of said, ‘It’s totally discriminatory and can only serve to damage relations between the Notre Dame and Saint Mary’s communities. No one really sits in their assigned seats anyway. It doesn’t make that much of a difference. And then I was all, Oh, I think it’s unfair that some of you guys get better tickets than those of us who are real Notre Dame students. What do they expect us to do, get to the stadium before kickoff so we can sit where we want?’” Harrigan says, recounting the pivotal conversation.

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**VIEWPOINT**

**THE BELLE OF SAINT MARY’S — VALENTINE’S DAY SPECIAL**

**Notre Dame Student Not ‘Getting Any’**

Roommates and Sectionmates concerned, Natural Light Stock Plummets

**Notre Dame, IN**

University of Notre Dame student Mike Harrigan hasn’t “got any” thus far in the ‘98-’99 school year, according to sources.

**Mary Beth Ellis**

Harrigan’s roommate, Matt Wills, confirmed the report late last night by mentioning to a member of their section during a nuclear game that, “The deal with Harrigan, man, is that I think he just needs to get some. He never gets any, you know.”

Harrigan, a sophomore finance major from a suburb of Chicago, got some in the fall semester of his freshman year immediately following a Lyons SYR when he hooked up with “someone he named Sarah or Lisa or something,” according to Harrigan.

However, despite attending three SYRs and the McCaffery Hall formal since then, Harrigan hasn’t even come close to getting any, even though he has kept a supply of Natural Light in his refrigerator for just such an occasion.

The Lyons chick was unavailable for comment.

“I just don’t understand,” says Harrigan of his current non-getting any status. “Maybe I’m not getting them drunk enough.”

Harrigan, whose dogbook description characterizes him as liking music and sports, is kind of cute.

“If I were a girl, I guess I’d hook up with Harrigan,” says roommate Tim Ladd, immediately adding, “Not that I’m gay or anything, not that there’s anything wrong with that if you are.”

Ladd is the father of Harrigan as “a nice guy” who can sometimes be a jerk if you hang out in the dorm playing Jedi Rouge Squadron too long.

Harrigan, legendary amongst his sectionmates as the guy with a vintage Charlie’s Angels poster on the door to his room, thought that he had potential of getting some from a Saint Mary’s student at his meat at Irish Connections last Thursday before Harrigan mentioned that in the Notre Dame student body presidential elections, he had voted for the ticket who proposed that all Notre Dame students receive their football tickets before Saint Mary’s students in order to ensure superior seats.

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Why Males’ Lips Bleed and why we Like Snow

A male and a female meet on North Quad and embark on love’s journey. Once the relationship, the male and female have a beautiful date. The night ends with a nightcap in the male’s dorm and fun.

Female: Adheres to the “three-day rule,” by which she can make no contact with him for three days, or else he might think that she wants him. The fact is, she wants him. That’s why she’s being pretty much unapproachable.

Male: Thinks it is perfectly normal to not have any discussion about himself from, sleep with it that night and carry it with him wherever he goes until she returns his myriad of phone calls—call after call. Of course, she won’t until the three days are up.

Advantage: Female. I don’t like mind games, either. We are even worse. FEMALE 1-0.

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We are just like humans. Both snowflakes and with a name with an “i” in it because they get to write his name in the blank. FEMALE 2-1.

For the weekend in the dining hall. GAME 1-1.

Ever thought about how we’re just like snowflakes? Each snowflake is unique—snow falls of the year begins to fall.

You can watch people “B’Braveheart” so he stay in and call it “going out.” They probably don’t even think she’s “Oh, My God, Honey! Your lip is bleeding!” It’s gushing blood.

Advantage: Female. She’s blathering again. Male controlled himself. GAME 2-2.

The potential lovers decide to throw away 33 years of opposi-site-sex-watching. Super Bowl together anyway. As the commercials come on, the male watches them, but they have watched football before and the female knows that she’s allowed to talk during commercials. FEMALE 3-2.

“You... honey — the commercials are on.” Female. “But you said...” Male. “I know these are the Super Bowl commercials. They’re different.” Female: “So these commercials are more important than me?” Male: “Try saying you don’t want to make me do that.” Advantage: Female. Male needs to educate before snapping. FEMALE 3-2.

Some time goes by and Easter comes up. They spend Easter weekend. The first time she heard coming home from school when their parents haven’t seen them for 4 months: Mother to daughter: “Have you met anyone yet? When you are going to meet someone? When are you going to get married? I want grandchildren. When are you going to have kids?” Father to son: “You haven’t had any kids since the baritone we saw you?”

Advantage: Male. The father asks once, breathes a sigh of relief and puts a lid on it. The mother calls and continues talking about daughter’s sewing machine after she goes back to school. GAME 3-2.

After Easter there is an end-of-the-year formal. As males have a tendency to do, the male has too much to drink. But he makes it through the night upstairs. Only because he can run straight to the time comes to part ways. Male: “G’nte, I had a wound...” Female: “What was it?” Male: “Your great date ev...”

Female’s Best Friend (to whom the male) “Umm... I wasn’t your date. Your date was over there...”

Advantage: Lewis Hall (leaning intimately): “Nope. Really are no good guys at Notre Dame. What do you think, honey?”

“Do you think this is Luck’s dorm?” She said it began with an “L.”

Advantage: Female. Talking about Internet porn with the opposite sex? Probably a good rule to stay away from that one. FEMALE 7-4.

Now that they’ve broken up, they decide that they have too much past and too much baggage walking away and not be friends, so they try the honest thing on for size. The female calls the male to tell him she wants “an honest opinion.”

Female: “Be honest.” Male: “Yeah, right.” FEMALE 7-5.

“Yeah, really.” Male: “Nope. The part you didn’t make your butt look big. Are you sure that your butt looks as good as the night you met.”

Advantage: Male. But the female is looking at herself, pretty much right now here she makes a pronouncement that point. See, she said “honest.” He heard “honest.” But they are apparently two very different words to the male. “Don’t even try to talk English, she was speaking Female.

This is America, after all, so we’ll go with English. FEMALE 7-5.

The only thing left to explore are the ‘three-day rule’ that the Observer in response to this column. Female: “I have no sense of humor and I think that you, um, demeaning toward women. I have nothing more to say, but I will draw on for 800-1000 words anyway saying the EXACT SAME STINKING THING. And I really hated that part at the end of your column where you made the female write the exact same letter I am now writing.”

Male: “Will someone please date me?” I really have nothing to say, but I will write this, and any other opportunity, to make myself clear about how females on campus feel. Of course, if I actually did date a female on campus feel, I wouldn’t need to write this letter, but, like I said, WILL SOMEONE PLEASE DATE ME?

No one gets any points for such a display of public idiocy.

Females win, 7-5.

Sex, girls, we’ve shown that it’s easier to be female nowadays — we males may be a little clumsy with words, but what comes out of our mouths isn’t necessarily what’s in our hearts.

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Notre Dame is not alone in this lack of knowledge and practice. This is why John Paul II poses the rhetorical question, "It must be asked how many Christians really know and put into practice the principles of the church's social doctrine?" It is also why the American Catholic bishops answer that "our social heritage is unknown by many Catholics. Sadly, our social doctrine is not shared or taught in a comprehensive way in too many of our schools," This is a serious problem given that the "sharing of our social traditions is a defining measure of Catholic education and formation."

In order to help remedy this problem, the College Council has passed a proposal for a new Concentration in Catholic Social Tradition, which is to begin formally next fall term. The Concentration is an interdisciplinary program that provides undergraduates the opportunity to study the Catholic social tradition from a variety of perspectives, including but not limited to those of theology, anthropology, economics, history, sociology, government, and anthropology. It will be open to undergraduates in all schools and colleges. This is in keeping with the claim in the University's Mission Statement that the Catholic character of Notre Dame as an academic community depends upon the seriousness with which the religious dimensions of all human learning are recognized, given priority, and explored throughout the University.

The Concentration in Catholic Social Tradition involves fifteen core classes of coursework including a core course, three electives, three seminars, and three one-credit colloquia/social concerns seminars. The core course will be on introduction to Catholic Social Tradition, particularly but not exclusively the pastoral and communal documents from Pope Leo XIII's Rerum Novarum to John Paul II's Centesimus Annus. Other texts will include source documents (for instance, writings by Thomas Aquinas and Augustine) and contemporary appropriations (for instance, writings by liberation theologians and neo-conservatives); 2) instruction in professional context. Each student will find a placement in a local setting, and the student's anticipated profession. The student is to take three hours per week to observe, interview, and to the extent possible participate in the local setting. For instance, the students can observe a law or architectural firm or a medical practice. Here, the student will keep an ongoing journal as a pastoral reflection of the setting tan interpretation of the practice in the setting in light of the Catholic Social Tradition; and 3) Final project: each student is to articulate or construct a setting in his or her anticipated profession in light of the Catholic Social Tradition (for instance, imagine and construct what a law firm/health clinical agency would look like if it practiced in light of the Catholic social tradition). The students will be chosen by the student in consultation with the Director from among courses offered in the University.

The one-credit seminars will be devoted to the critical reading and discussion of one or two major works each semester. Social concerns seminars are one-credit courses, lodged first within the Department of Theology and often cross-listed with other departments.

Four characteristics will mark the Concentration in Catholic Social Tradition and give further specification to its content.

1. In keeping with the Catholic social tradition itself and the University's Mission Statement, we will emphasize both what the mission statement calls the "disciplinary habits of mind" and other "disciplinary sensibilities" in service to justice. We will accent the first through an offering of course-works and course requirements that is designed to realize the Catholic social tradition in a way that cuts across the divide between "conservatives" and "liberals" both as options in defined in society and as views on the role of the Church in society. The Catholic social tradition's contribution to contemporary debates is reflected in the fact that it is not reducible to any of these poles options. We believe that making this contribution depends in large part on staying in conversation with all parties.

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This weekend, Saint Mary's College sophomores celebrate their parents with a weekend in their honor

By KRISTI KLITSCH
Scene Editor

About 18 years ago, a group of students on Saint Mary’s Sophomore Class Board approached the administration with the idea of bringing together sophomores and their parents for an official, school-sponsored weekend.

The weekend, entitled Sophomore Parents’ Weekend (SPW), would be the complement to Junior Parents’ Weekend at the University of Notre Dame, and would be open to any Saint Mary’s sophomore, said Georgeanna Rosenbush, director of Student Activities at Saint Mary’s.

The first weekend was promoted as a follow-up to orientation weekend, and included a talent show, academic open house, educational programs, a class mass, President’s reception and social dinner/dance, said Rosenbush.

The event proved to be a huge success, and SPW soon became an annual tradition for the sophomore class. "Sophomore Parents’ Weekend is the oldest and most official college weekend at Saint Mary’s," said Rosenbush. "At one point we had more than 1100 total people [students and their parents combined] participating."

This year more than 150 students and their parents will participate in the SPW activities, said SPW chairperson M M Marie Kahn. The theme of the weekend is "The Gift: Roots and Wings," stemming from the quotation: "It is said that we need roots to ground us, feed us and help us grow and wings on which to fly."

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Roots and Wings Sophomore Parents' Weekend
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The Greatest Gifts:

Schedule of Events

Friday the 12th
Loftus Football Hall of Fame (Optional)

Saturday the 13th
10 a.m. - 12 p.m.
Academic Open House at the Regan House Lounge Le Maitre
12 p.m. - 2 p.m.
Lunch (on your own)
2 p.m. - 4 p.m.
Afternoon Games and Tea at the Haggar Parlor
4:30 p.m.
Mass at the Church of Loreto
7 p.m.
President's Reception at the Century Center
8 p.m.
Dinner Dance at the Century Center

Sunday the 14th
8 a.m. - 11 a.m.
Continental Breakfast at the Stapleton Lounge
Netters look to upset No. 1 Duke

BY NATHALIE DENICOLA
Sports Writer

Noire Dame men's tennis team, coming off a two-game losing streak Saturday as host to No. 10 Duke, in the past two weeks, the Irish (2-15 overall, 0-11 ACC) have beaten No. 7 Texas and No. 26 Kentucky, each time falling just short.

"Those were two tough losses," a team junior, all-American Ryan Sachie, "but by no means are we discouraged."

Not only have the 24th-ranked Irish proven they can compete with some of the nation's top teams (both losses to ranked teams were decided in the last match), but they also have history on their side, having defeated a higher-ranked Duke team for two straight years.

As head coach Bob Bayliss explained, "The tradition of this match is an exciting one, the play is always very competitive."

Fierce competition has been no stranger to the Irish this season.

"There is a very talented team," I expect another match like Texas," said Bayliss. "Though we will have to work hard to get there."

Leading the charge into battle is third-ranked Sachie, who will attempt to continue his dominance of No. 1 singles where he will face off against American Doug Root or LSU transfer Pedro Escobero.

Sachie is coming off two impressive performances, first capturing the consolation championship at the Rolex National Collegiate Indoor Championships and then winning 27th-ranked Carlos Braggio of Kentucky on Tuesday.

"Our team's attack at No. 2 is senior co-captain Brain Patterson, who accounted for our second singles win in the match against Kentucky."

With Sachie undefeated and Patterson 4-1 in the dual season matches, the Irish are "very strong at the top of our lineup," said Bayliss.

Matt Daly, Casey Smith and senior co-captain Andy Emick, who have compiled No. 3 - No. 5 slots and superequine Mark Overdevest will replace an ill Andrew Laf in No. 4.

This will be Overdevest's first singles appearance, but coach Bayliss is not worried, "It's difficult to put someone in this position, but Mark has been working hard and is looking at a result playing well."

If the match this Saturday mimics the duel against Texas, a hard-fought, set, game, even bounce of the ball could be crucial, a theme all too-common for the Irish this year.

"A win against Duke would give us a lot of confidence, we need a win in the big match," said Sachie.

Flowing with dramatic last-minute upsets and a top-10 ranking, the Irish are "coming into this match with their tremendous potential."

This Saturday they have their chance.

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To Billy Blanks (I KNOW he reads this) I am bummed that we won't play.

Missy, Big Red Pants will be a fun night in Chicago. I love you!

From, Jim B.

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ASSHUR, Va.
The NHL commissioner Paul Tagliabue on Thursday night stepped into a powerful struggle involving the Washington Redskins and declared president

John Kent Cooke in charge of the team.

Tagliabue came into the trustees of the estate of Cooke's father demanded final authority for any and all dealings, leaving general management. The coach now Turver powerless and the team in the midst of losing key free agents.

"Commissioner Tagliabue today confirmed that we have agreed to negotiate with

the buyers, trusts and many within the Redskins organization were hoping that approval would come at an owners' meeting next week in Atlanta, but that meeting was canceled Thursday. The next owners meeting, which is the 15th annual session, is March 14-15 in Philadelphia.

Some owners have said they would have preferred that Cooke's son, John Kent Cooke, purchase the team. But the younger Cooke, who has represented the Redskins at league meetings for nearly 20 years, Howard Milstein and Snyder in a two-month-long action conducted by the trustee.

The NFL's finance committee meets Monday Feb. 15 in Atlanta to continue its review of the Redskins sale, the NFL statement said. "No committee recommendation on the sale is expected at this meeting."

Signs of a tussle between the trustees and the Redskins owners continued for days as the team made no progress in re-signing several key players. Linebacker Marvates Patillo, Washington defensive end Tim Green and center Coy Rayner. Then the pre-free agency press conference was pushed back Thursday with just two hours' notice.

"Under normal conditions, we could have reached a deal by now," said Glenn Schwartzmann, the Redskins' attorney. "We have had to be very patient with past practices at the Redskins. They offer no guarantees for concluding that current management is in place and utoring other than in the best interests of the club."

In a letter to the trustees, Tagliabue advised that they would be "responsible for making a decision, whether to continue or restrict in any way."

John Kent Cooke's current status or authority over the Redskins is unclear. The Redskins also tendered customary offers to several restricted and exclusive rights free agents, including running back Stephen Davis and safety Leon Evans.

The Observer wishes you a safe Valentine's Day

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The Minnesota Vikings conquered free agency last season by signing all their high-priced, high-quality players. Now they’ll have to do it again.

As the free agent signing and trading period begins Friday, the Vikings, who finished 15-1 before being upset by Atlanta in the NFC championship game, have seven starters who are unrestricted free agents and not a lot of money with which to work.

That’s because most of it went last season to defensive tackle John Randle, offensive tackle Todd Steussie, running back Robert Smith and wide receiver Jake Heied, to whom the team committed $73 million. They’ve since re-signed quarterback Randall Cunningham and offensive tackle Kareem Stingley, who could have become free agents this year.

“That’s the way you like to do it, particularly when you can keep people of that quality,” Buffalo general manager John Butler said.

“You know what your own players can do — on and off the field. You’re never sure when you bring in new people. But that doesn’t mean you won’t look to plug holes or be forced to let people go because of the cap.”

Right now, teams are looking to rid themselves of players whose salaries exceed their value. This year’s salary cap is just short of $57.3 million, $5 million more than last year. Quarterback Jeff George, his $1 million salary and his questionable attitude, might be out of Oakland. The Carolina Panthers dropped two of their original three quarterbacks and the Vikings, who finished 15-1 last season, are restructuring other salaries, Buffalo saved $4 million by rid- ing itself of veterans Quinn Early and Wayne Simmons and New Orleans has made it known it won’t re-sign troubled cornerback Yancey Thigpen and quite possibly can’t match a pro-offensive offer from a team with money, like the Browns.

The success of the Vikings contrasts with the way other teams have thrown money around with little result. For example, Seattle spent millions on big-name free agents for the second straight year, but finished 4-8, resting coach Dennis Erickson his job. One problem: the revolving door game in which the Seahawks lost center Kevin Mauva, who went to the New York Jets and became the hub of their vastly improved offensive line.

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*** MEN'S SWIMMING ***

**Irish challenge**

**Milwaukee’s best**

By WES RICHARDSON

The Notre Dame men's swim team will have its last chance to break even on dual meets today when it faces the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

The team's record is 3-4, and the Irish are the strong favorites to win. This is also the last meet before the Big East Championships, to be held Feb. 25-27 in Uniondale, N.Y.

Despite beating host Wisconsin-Milwaukee 1083-921.5 at the Bill Ritter Invitational in January, the Irish are not going in overconfident.

"We've always been able to beat them pretty handily, but they've gotten better every year, and this is their best year," co-captain Steele Whowell said. "We can't overlook them because they do have some speed."

An unexpected challenge has also arisen, according to Whowell. One of Wisconsin-Milwaukee's best swimmers did not compete in the invitational, but will be competing today.

There are also differences between dual and invitation meet formats that will affect scoring.

"It's more important to win 'em," Whowell said of dual races. "We can't overlook them by getting second or third place if individual events go well."

One fact in particular has plagued the Irish men this season: They have no divers. Wisconsin-Milwaukee will have three divers each competing in two events, putting Notre Dame at an immediate 32-point disadvantage.

Despite these challenges, many team members are looking forward to improve these personal best times in events they do not normally swim.

Timing is also a factor. With championships less than two weeks away, today's meet is the last opportunity for the team to prepare in a competitive race.

"It's a final chance to race and tune up. I can't think of anything but good reasons for this meet," assistant coach Jonathan Jennings said.

A large part of preparing for a meet as important as the three-day championships is decreasing the distance swum in practice while increasing the intensity and periods of rest. Today's meet comes in the middle of the team's taper. This will aid in preparation for championships, according to Jennings.

"As you get faster through your taper, it's good to race at meet speed," he said.

Today's meet is the last chance to break even on dual meets for Notre Dame. The team's record is 3-4, and this is their best year. If they lose, they will not qualify for the Big East championships.

The scheduling for this season has been very positive ... one of the few bright spots on an otherwise dismal team. The Eagles also announced the signing of fourth-year linebacker Dana Howard.

**Eagles' Malmula inks new deal**

PHILADELPHIA

The Philadelphia Eagles re-signed defensive end Mike Malmula to a four-year contract worth between $11 million and $12 million plus incentives.

Malmula, 25, missed all of last season injuring his knee in the second exhibition game.

Malmula started 45 games during his first three NFL seasons before suffering a torn anterior cruciate ligament and torn cartilage in his right knee during the Eagles' second pre-season game against Pittsburgh.

Malmula said Malmula will be ready in time for training camp this summer. "His progress, his rehabilitation, has been very positive," he said. "He's been great, he's worked extremely hard. He seems to have a better appreciation of what football means to him. Mike's hungry," Modrak said.

Malmula, who was scheduled to become an unrestricted free agent on Friday, said he's grateful that the team has offered him another chance.

"I think this organization wants me to be here. And I want to be here. This is my home. I'm getting married in June and want to start a family here," Malmula said.

Malmula will be paired with defensive end Hugh Douglas, who had 12 1/2 sacks last season and was one of the few bright spots on an otherwise dismal team.

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he is a real laid back guy," freshman épéiste Brian Canas said. "If you are doing bad he doesn’t come out and express his anger. He expects a lot of you. He doesn’t say a lot but he expresses a lot." Aurioł's laid-back style seems to be working just fine as he continues to pile up victories and pull in top fencers. This year's freshman class has four fencers who could qualify for the NCAA tournament. Aurioł's reputation plays a big role in recruiting.

"One of the reasons that I came to Notre Dame was the reputation of the coaching staff among students and athletes," Krol said.

With top recruits and excellent coaching ability, Aurioł's success should continue for years to come.

"He is a shining star of our athletic department," DeCicco said. "And quite frankly, I can't see our athletic department being as successful without him."

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Friday and Saturday may be the most important days, however. If the Irish hope to complete the weekend undefeated, they cannot overlook Ohio State and Clemson. The Buckeyes are much improved from last year, and much better than their No. 59 ranking, according to Loudorback. Coming off their 7-2 upset of No. 35 Marquette and 5-4 loss to No. 26 Tennessee, the Buckeyes will have confidence. "They play very hard, and they always seem to play well against us. They really fight for every point, so our girls will not be able to look ahead to Duke when playing on Friday or Saturday," said Loudorback.

Ohio State's top four players are freshmen and sophomores. Last year, freshmen at the No. 1 and 2 spots beat the Irish. This year, the singles appear to be ready for victory. Clemson, usually a very talented team, has been hurt by injuries this season. Notre Dame now does not know what to expect from the Tigers. "They've had good athletes in the past, but this year it's hard to tell who's going to play for them," said Loudorback.

"We know that both Ohio State and Clemson are good, solid teams, so we can't overlook them," said Hall. "They both will be ready to come in and play well against us."

No matter how this weekend turns out, though, the Irish will be ready to take something away from it. "Playing a top team like Duke, you'll take something away from the match whether you win or lose, especially the young players," said Hall.

KIERAN HENNESSEY
Happy 22nd Birthday
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Patrick, Theresa (7/23/90), and Billy (7/20/91)
Irish look to rebound at WVU

By BILL HART
Assistant Sports Editor

Rebounding from a close loss is a difficult process for any basketball team.

When that team is forced to make that rebound on the road, it becomes an even more complex task. Yet that's exactly what the Irish men's basketball team must do Sunday, when it heads eastward to face the West Virginia Mountaineers.

Whispers of a possible postseason berth were put on hold Wednesday night when Georgetown defeated Notre Dame 62-53.

Despite forcing 15 turnovers in the first half and holding a 12-point-lead at the break, the home team was unable to overcome a scrappy Hoyas defense that had 22 steals, a new record for a Big East contest. While two Irish players, forward Troy Murphy and center Phil Hickey, had 15 and 12 points, respectively, it wasn't enough to turn the tide of the second half.

"Obviously, everyone's a little down right now," forward David Graves said. "To be so close to winning and having it fall like that is tough. This team's got composure, though, and we should be able to bounce back."

Fortunately for the Irish, the Mountaineers have had their share of bad luck as well. West Virginia is on a five-game Big East losing streak, falling to 12th place in the conference standings. The Mountaineers have had five straight defeats at home for the first time in more than 70 years.

In their most recent game, an 80-68 loss to eighth-ranked St. John's, junior Marcus Goree led with 22 points, and forward Elton Scott chipped in with 17. While the team shot more than 50 percent from the field, it just wasn't able to keep up with a tremendous Red Storm offense that had four players in double figures and shot 10-20 from three-point range.

Goree, Scott and sophomore guard Jarett Kearse are the three main offensive weapons the Mountaineers offer. A 6-foot-6 forward out of Dallas, Texas, Goree has started in every game this season and is scoring at a 16.2 point clip. Kearse provides the perimeter threat, shooting 40.7 percent from beyond the arc and averaging 12.7 points per game.

The two teams met only once last year, a battle in Morgantown where the Irish squeaked away with a 74-72 win. In that game, both teams held close until Mountaineers Jarrod West shot an airball from 25 feet back that bounced out-of-bounds.

The Irish got the ball back with 1.4 seconds remaining, Guard Keith Friel beat the full-court press and sank the game-winning shot with four-tenths of a second left to play.

"We were underdogs going down there, and we didn't get much respect," guard Jimmy Dillon said. "But we went down there and got a big win. I hope we can do it again this year."

The loss ended a 10-game home winning streak for West Virginia, which later finished the season at 11-7 in the Big East and earned an at-large bid into the NCAA Tournament. This year, however, with a 3-11 conference mark and a 9-15 record overall, the Mountaineers are simply trying to stay afloat.

That's something the Irish hope to use to their advantage, according to Dillon.

"We're going to have to get after them defensively," he said. "We're going to have to control the tempo of the game and hit some shots."

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By BRIAN CHURNEY
Sports Writer

Pop quiz, hotshot: What do Eric Lindros, Todd Van Poppel, ID. Drew, and Danny Ferry have in common? They all have been traded or redrafted by another team, either spat upon more quickly than the next player, or the next player separately spat upon. While I'm not willing to make evaluations and decisions, I decided that they were willfully endured. Some team, through hours of evaluation, and decision-making, decided that they were willfully endured. They all have been traded or redrafted by another team.
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In last Friday’s game, both Dolyny and Adams scored a goal, but both came on the power play. Mike York, MSU’s returning Hobey Baker finalist from a year ago, went scoreless on the night.

The Irish are hoping that their first contest at Munn this year will produce similar results to the first one last year. After losing the night before to the Spartans 5-1, Notre Dame handed No. 2 Michigan State its first loss of the season, 6-1. The four-goal explosion in the third period helped put Notre Dame back on the college hockey map with its biggest victory in over a decade.

Saturday night, Notre Dame will face the Ferris State Bulldogs, with possibly their unbeaten home record still on the line. This will be the Bulldogs-only regular-season visit to the Joyce Center.

So far, the Irish are 10-0-2 at home, and have outscored their opponents 55-21. Although their current streak could add pressure this late in the season, Borega disagrees.

"I think it's a lot more relaxing to play at home, especially with the fans and the way they've been," Borega said. "We do play better here, and we expect it now."

Coach Slaggert said, "I don't think it adds pressure. What it does is that in light games, it gives our guys a little more confidence... That's just another factor in our favor."

The FSU game, like all February games, is a crucial one, but for more reasons than just the two points that are on the line. Saturday’s game will decide the season series between the Irish and Ferris State, with each team notching a two-goal victory in the first half of the season. Currently, FSU sits just five points behind fourth-place Notre Dame, and the season series would be the first tiebreaker should the two teams finish deadlocked.

As they have since the early part of the season, Notre Dame still leads the conference with a power play efficiency of 24.5 percent. This weekend, however, they will be facing the top two penalty-killing units in the CCHA in Michigan State and Ferris State, who are first and second respectively. In addition, Ferris State is also the league’s least penalized team, which means the Irish will need to make the best of the few power play opportunities they get.

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Riley faces stiff challenge versus Rutgers

By ANTHONY BIANCO
Assistant Sports Editor

Their seasons are down to the wire and the lines dividing the top teams are even thinner. With just three games separating the No. 1 and No. 3 teams in the Big East and four games left on the Irish schedule, the backdrop for the biggest game of the year is set.

The No. 6 Irish will face the Scarlet Knights in New Jersey, their biggest challenge since the Scarlet Knights in New Jersey, leading the back drop for the ranking the No. 1 and No. 3 teams are even thinner.

"The game is," said Niele Ivey. "We will swap the Irish in the ranking Dec. 8 — a playing first-ranked Connecticut on Dec. 8 — a game in which the Huskies simply outplayed them by a final of 186-81.

Holding the third conference spot, a win in Saturday's game at No. 2 Rutgers (21-4, 13-11) will swap the Irish in the rankings. "We realize how huge this game is," said Niele Ivey. "We need to go in there mentally focused. Because if we don't, I think we're going to have a tough time. Physically I think we'll be okay."

Perhaps the greatest threat that the Scarlet Knights pose to sophomore center Tammy Sutton-Brown. She won the Big East co-player of the week award along with Ivey this past week, averaging 16.0 points and 7.0 rebounds, helping Rutgers to two conference road wins last week.

"It's going to be a tough matchup," said Ruth Riley, who will battle against Sutton-Brown beneath the basket.

She's bigger than most of the post players we face, so it'll be a little different with her presence in the middle."

The 11-game win streak coach Muffet McGraw's team has woven together since January has come in large part to Notre Dame's defensive focus. Since the start of the New Year, Notre Dame has allowed just a little more than 60 points a game. This continues to be the game plan they will stick to throughout the postseason and on Saturday. "We need to do it on defense," said Ivey. "The offense I think will come. We just need to focus on getting the job done."

Riley has been the one the Irish have turned to this season when they needed to get the job done on the attack. She enters into the final two weeks of play first in the Big East in scoring with 19.2 points per game. Armed with Sutton-Brown, Rutgers will attempt to take Riley out of the game early, something the opposition has attempted with increasing success in recent games.

Fortunately, Notre Dame fields its strongest-ever team, always having the ability to fill open holes with shooters. Such was the case last Saturday against Seton Hall, when a sluggish offense slowed mainly by tough play on Riley gave the Irish only a six-point lead at halftime. Villanova repeated the early opponent success last Wednesday, but was unable to control it the whole game.

"Against Villanova we started slow and didn't get going until the second half," said Ivey. "Then we started to step up our intensity and I think everyone contributed to the win. That's something we are going to have to do against Rutgers."

The intensity has also come from the bench in recent games, as shown in last Saturday's game against the Pirates. Freshman guard Ericka Haney gave the Irish the spark when she outscored the entire Seton Hall team on her 8-2 run.

With Riley getting most of the attention on offense, she and the rest of the team will add to the surprise attack by giving the bench players a second look. "Ericka has done a great job off the bench and Julie Henderson has been putting in quality minutes too," she said. "If they take someone out of the game, someone else is always there to step up so I think it's tough to play on."

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Icers skate to East Lansing

By TED BASSANI
Sports Writer

As the hockey team continues its tough late-season schedule, every game is huge and every two points are critical.

Fresh off last weekend's tie against Michigan State at the Joyce Center, the sixth-ranked Irish play their first game of the season in East Lansing on tonight. Saturday night, Notre Dame will play host to the Ferris State Bulldogs for the first time this season.

Tonight's match-up is the second of three weekend games against the Spartans. The Spartans are 9-6-3 at Munn Ice Arena and, besides the Irish, the only CCHA team still undefeated at home.

In last Friday's 2-2 tie, one major issue of concern for the Irish was their performance in the faceoff circle. MSU centers Mike York and Shawn Horlock dominated the Irish for much of the game, but Notre Dame centers are ready for the rematch, according to freshman center David Inman.

"We've been practicing our draws because it's something we haven't been doing so well on lately," Inman said.

However, the importance of winning faceoffs should not be overstated, assistant coach Andy Slaggert said. "It's a vital part of the game, but it's not always that the team that wins the most faceoffs wins the game," Slaggert said. "The faceoff circle is not as important as the results of the faceoffs itself.

As was the case last Friday, the tough assignment of stopping Michigan State's top line will fall mainly on the shoulders of junior defensemen Nathan Borrega and Tyson Fraser.

MSU's top unit of Mike York, Brian Adams, and Rusty Dolby is one of the league's best lines, both offensively and defensively. The unit has combined for a total of 45 goals and 40 assists, but more impressively has a combined +14 rating so far this year. The key, said Borrega, will be to maintain a physical presence against York and company. "I München and played against the [York line] the whole night," Borrega said of last Friday's game. "We do well against those kinds of lines because they're not used to getting that kind of treatment."

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Irish take to Blue Devils

By WES JACOB
Sports Writer

Since losing to Pepperdine on Jan. 23, the Notre Dame women's tennis team has played like it has something to prove.

After surprisingly defeating Kansas State and Oklahoma, the No. 16 Irish have an opportunity to build a streak this weekend. They will warm up with a midweek game on Friday and Clemson on Saturday, before facing Duke, the No. 2 team, on Sunday.

"We've a very talented team, and people might underesti-

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make us a bit," said senior Marina Velasco. "We need to prove to them how good we are. We want to set a precedent for the rest of the season.

This weekend marks the first home matches of 1999 for the 3-1 Irish. Playing in front of hostile crowds has taken its toll on the players. "We're really looking forward to playing in front of our home crowd, especially for the freshman's sake," said senior team captain Jen Hall.

Against Duke, Notre Dame will need all the help it can get. In the teams' previous six meetings, Duke has prevailed every time.

Duke bring, the threat of Venus Webb, last season's NCAA singles champion. The odds may seem against the Irish, but players are not intimidated. "We're going to play for broke. We're the underdog and we know it, but that will just make us play harder," said freshman Becky Varnum, owner of a 3-0 singles record. "We've had a good week of practice, and I think we're ready to go. Everyone has

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FENCING SPOTLIGHT

Auriol provides key to Irish wins

By MIKE CONNOLLY
Sports Writer

How do you follow a legend? How do you inherit a dynasty and improve upon it?

These questions faced fencing coach Yves Auriol in 1996, when he took over after Irish fencing legend Michael DeCicco retired. Auriol had already been the women's head coach and a men's assistant coach, Auriol was well-prepared to coach both the men's and women's teams.

Even with Auriol's experience, DeCicco was no easy act to follow. He guided the fencing program to five national titles in his 14 years and compiled a 680-15 record for an astounding 93 percent winning percentage. It was clear that Auriol was the proper choice.

With a 3-0 victory over Rutgers at the Duke Invitational last weekend, he picked up his 400th career victory. His overall record now stands at 406-141-7 on an amazing 74 percent winning percentage. His career winning percentage is higher than legendary college coaching greats such as Knute Rockne (888-139-24, .878) and Digger Phelps (.666) as well as surpassing his predecessor, DeCicco.

But Auriol has never been a stranger to success. In 1986, he was hired as the women's head coach. His squad did not lose a regular season match until 1988. Filling victory upon victory, his squad finished second at the NCAA championships in his first year.

Disregarding any notions of a sophomore slump, Auriol led his team to second at the NCAAs in 1987 and came away with the national title.

Auriol did not think that he would achieve success so fast. "You never know. I guess we had a good recruiting year and things just came together."

Auriol's coaching magic continued as his squads finished in the top five for seven consecutive years. He did not until 1993 when the women's team finished sixth that he felt he had to go back to the NCAA championships.

The women's team, however, bounced back from the mild setback to go undefeated in 1994 and win Auriol his second national title.

Auriol's success goes much further than just the collegiate level. He is also highly respected in international fencing. He was the head coach of the USA women's team at the 1983 and 1988 Olympic teams and helped the Irish win the 1992 American team in Barcelona.

From 1976-79, he led the Irish to four national championships.

Despite his obvious talent in fencing, his first love was rugby. He is a professional rugby player who plays in his youth.

But Auriol decided to become a fencing master. He attended the Instituto Nacional de Deportes in Mexico for three years and earned his fencing master's degree in 1966.

Auriol taught fencing in his native France and was established himself as one of the leading fencing coaches in the world.

He moved to the United States and coached on the East Coast. The Aur unfolds established the Salle Auriol Fencing Club and offered private lessons to professional and individual level fencers.

Portugal State recognized Auriol's talent and hired him as a fencing coach in 1975. He taught for three years, when he was hired as the women's coach at Notre Dame.

The duty of running both the men's and women's teams became too much for DeCicco, and he looked to Auriol to coach the women's. Auriol's success and renown in Portland made him the natural choice.

Many graduates of the Irish tennis program went to Portland to train with Auriol and had only praise for him. "He was my first and only choice," DeCicco said.

Auriol's dedication is what impressed DeCicco the most.

"He is the classic European athlete," DeCicco said. "He gets up out of bed in the morning and he puts his warm-up on. He goes to practice and he goes to bed at night.

Some may attribute Auriol's success to the talent that he is able to recruit. He has had 34 freshmen signed in 13 seasons and 20 in his last three.

He has been able to succeed without the top talent in the country, too. When he won the national title and went unde-