SUB wins pair of national awards for programming

By ERICA THESING
Student News Editor

The Notre Dame Student Union Board (SUB) won two awards for its programming activities from the National Association of Collegiate Activities, which recognized the Java and Jazz series as the "Outstanding Series of 1998" and the Sophomore Literary Festival as "Outstanding Program of 1998."

These awards were two of the three given to the Illinois region, which includes all colleges and universities in Illinois and Indiana.

The award for outstanding program is especially important because it falls into one of the most competitive categories, said Lizzie Brady, this year's director of programming for SUB. Brady explained that the Sophomore Literary Festival is a unique program because it runs for an entire week and includes not only professors and students, but community members as well.

"I think they saw the merits in that and all the efforts that went into it," she said.

The 32-year tradition of the Sophomore Literary Festival may have also played a role in the award, said Jocelyn Szczepaniak-Gilfoyle, who was last year's Festival chair.

"I think a lot of it has to do with the tradition," she said. "Also, I don't really know of any other school that has a week-long literary festival. It's unique."

Szczepaniak-Gilfoyle also pointed out the importance of the festival as a celebration of the arts on campus.

"It makes people aware that there is an art community at Notre Dame," she said. "That's important."

The Java and Jazz series began last year and

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Being out-dated

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Don't get me wrong. I love my Mom, but I can't help but to stop thinking of how she has more of a life than I do. Let me put it this way: there's a pretty good chance that you have no life if you are getting out-dated by your mom.

Let me start at the beginning. Last year, my brother, sister, and I all left for college for the first time. My Mom was in a sort of empty-nest syndrome, but it didn't last long. I built an Internet-ready computer over the summer so she could now get online. At first it was just the joy of the new toy, but then I realized that there's something that would happen next.

I'm a loner (and using what I taught about computers and the Internet Mom started to go into chat rooms more. She met some interesting people, one that lived in the area. After some time, my Mom decided to see one of her "friends". She's real life since there were no kids in the house, she could do whatever she wanted.

When I was a little shorter still, my Mom started to go out and have fun more often. I found myself feeling a little bad. My Mom is now my best friend is now her boyfriend. Now I hear that my Mom is going over almost every other day for a date, at some places, and it is a platonie thing, I now really thought that my Mom's out-dating me, that she doesn't need me anymore and I'm loser.

Actually, I'm okay with this whole thing. I'm glad she has someone. But, however, during the winter break, I always had to wait up late at night for her before she returned home. Now I have a real trip about this date.

On the night before Christmas Eve, my Mom's boyfriend, Dean, approached my Mother and proposed to her. My Mom accepted. You see, there were some heads spinning once word of this got out. My brother was trippin' out over it though he's happy for our mom. He just couldn't believe my Mom was going to leave her son to change her life.

So I'm here to clear his head about what he just heard. I myself was pretty unshaken since my life almost a snap in comparison. I'm happy for her.

Still, it makes me think, once she had finally gotten to her date, she started to go out, lose weight, have more fun, find a younger boyfriend, fix her hair all up sexy, rent out the old house, and get engaged!

The wedding is sometime in August. I still can't believe my Mom is going to get married. Even when she was in her 80s, with a little help from my sister's wardrobes, in her 20s.

My whole family now gets out more than I do. My sis and bro to go parties and hang out together with their crew. Now my mom is getting her groove on. And I'm usually stuck at home with nothing to do. I wonder if I'm adopted?

UPDATE FROM LAST WEEK'S INSIDE COL-
UM: Um, yeah! I now have a date.

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Dietician explains means to health through diet

By ANGELA WOGATZKE

Cindy Tansek-Carroll, a registered dietitian at Memorial Hospital, provided information on how to eat nutritionally at a brown bag lunch presentation, "How Healthy Are You?" Monday at Saint Mary's as a part of National Eating Disorders Awareness Week.

She also discussed eating disorders and challenged listeners to think about what can be done to help someone who may have an eating disorder.

"You should have anywhere between 40 and 50 nutrients a day, but you should eat first, not pills or vitamins," said Tansek-Carroll.

She also addressed concerns of vegetarians about how to get enough protein in their diet.

"A portion of meat is roughly the size of your hand. Although giving up meat isn't a bad thing to do, you may want to think of the alternative sources of protein you can include in your diet," she said. "Some alternatives are eating fish once a week or eating nuts, eggs, peanut butter, yogurt and other dairy products which are rich in protein and calcium."

The audience raised questions concerning the nutritional value of food substitutes for eggs and eating Disorders. Tansek-Carroll called "an equally healthy substitute in most cases.

Egg substitutes contain egg whites, and food coloring, eliminating the part with the most cholesterol. "Substitutes such as Nutrisoy for soy think food if you are a diabetic."

Tansek-Carroll also addressed serving sizes and how many servings a day a person should eat, as well as snacks of the same manner, is also an option a person might try, especially if she finds she is hungry several times a day.

"Seeking a variety in your diet and exercise, being flexible in your diet, and not punishing yourself or being ashamed of yourself for eating a certain food brings you closer to feeling good about who you are. Being comfortable with yourself, regardless of what the mirror or scale says to you is what matters the most."
Perfect for your bouquet!
The flowers will be delivered to the dorms on Thursday, March 25th.

Just three dollars more, you can purchase a slender glass vase that is just for use in cancer research, education, programs, and patient services here in Indiana.

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You don't get to death row by accident. These people commit the most horrifying, terrible, disgusting crimes. The question is not whether people have earned [the death penalty], it's what happens to us [when we kill them].

Bill Quigley
Loyola University of New Orleans Law Professor

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showcases campus jazz quartets or ensembles on selected Sundays. The bands perform in the LaForte Hallway at 11 a.m. in 2 p.m. and SUB provides free donuts, coffee and other breakfast foods for anyone who stops by. Brady, who was chair of Java and Jazz last year, said that it provides a relaxing place for students to spend their Sundays.

"The coffeehouse theme is really popular in Java and Jazz puts a little twist on it," she said. "A lot of people go there and just hang out with friends or get some reading done."

The series, which began under the cultural arts commission of SLM, runs about five times a year. The next Java and Jazz is scheduled for Sunday.

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When you decide that what you really wanted to do was help people.

"You can have a family, have a car, raise children, and at the same time help other people," he said, noting that most people do not realize that "there is no profession where you can't help people." You can make money and be good at your profession and still help people.

Quigley last saw Prejean in January when Doby Collins Williams was executed in Louisiana. Part of Prejean's beauty, he said, is her ability to know that "you can have one hand in the hand of the victim, and a hand in the hand of the [criminal]."

He says Prejean, who was a finalist last year for the Nobel Peace Prize, is a "wonderful, funny person" with an "aura of love and care" around her. She also knows that she cannot make a difference by herself.

"You cannot swim against the stream alone . . . you have to do it with others," he explained.

"Her spontaneous is her genius, but her flipside is that she is very disorganized," he said, stressing the need to re-examine the law to make it more effective in her case. 'Prejean" is the most visible person in the world [concerning the death penalty]."

Quigley said that when he was 20, instead of looking towards graduate school or making money, he wanted to be a priest. After graduating from Purdue University he became a lawyer and then a lawyer and was chair of Java and Jazz last November.

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This decision is of particular importance to Saint Mary's students studying in the social work department because it may affect the time and money they have to spend on obtaining a graduate degree.

According to Kominkiewicz, the primary benefit of this accreditation is that they are now eligible for advanced standing placement when pursuing a masters degree in social work (MSW).

"The MSW is a 60-credit program and getting a bachelor's from an accredited institution can definitely shorten that process, sometimes by as much as one year," she said. Social work students are typically advised to consider advanced graduate work in the field to better their career options.

Jamil Maureen Donovan said she was "ecstatic" when she learned of the decision.

"It really opened doors for my future because if not for the accreditation, I probably would have to postpone plans to attend graduate school for a few years," she said. Accreditation also means that graduates of the program will obtain bachelors degree in social work rather than the traditional bachelors of arts degree. This professional degree will increase the number of career opportunities available to social work majors when planning their futures.

Kominkiewicz admits to spending most of Friday e-mailing past alumnae to update them on the progress of the accreditation.

"What we are trying to do now is see how retroactive this can be," she said. Because we were in candidacy for many years, we are going to try to see that recent alumnae have an equal chance to benefit from this decision," she said.

Many years of work went into completing candidacy for accreditation, and the accrediting board reviewed volumes of course appendices and syllabi. Kominkiewicz said the CSWE was most persuaded to accredit the program by having a chance to meet with students during their site visit last November.

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**World News Briefs**

**Video Games, Berlin Wall Lead Stamp Poll**

WASHINGTON

With a week of voting left, video games and the fall of the Berlin Wall are the leading candidates for postage stamps commemorating the 1980s. Votes cast through Feb. 17 put video games in first place with 133,942 ballots, followed by the Berlin Wall at 132,190, the Postal Service said Monday. The public is being asked to select 15 stamps to commemorate the decade of the 1980s. Voting continues through the end of the month. Ballots are available at post offices or on the Internet. The 1980s stamps, to be released next year, are part of the post office's extensive Celebrate the Century series, which will have a set of 15 stamps for each decade of the 1900s. Stamps for the first five decades were selected by postal officials.

**Woman Dies from Supergerm**

HONG KONG

A supergerm that has proven resistant to one of the most potent antibiotics available has killed a Hong Kong woman, officials said today, raising fears that more such germs could develop as doctors continue to misuse or overuse antibiotics. The middle-aged woman died last year at Queen Mary Hospital after becoming infected with a strain of staphylococ­cus aureus bacteria, or staph. Despite two weeks of intensive antibiotics treatment, a spokeswoman from the official Hospital Authority said. Speaking on customary condi­tion, she quoted a report published today in the South China Morning Post. The hospital declined to reveal the patient's identity. The woman, who also suffered from cancer, was one of a few known cases in the world in which staph proved resistant to vancomycin.

Transplant patient nowhere to be found

PARIS

To the dismay of his doctors, a middle-aged woman last year underwent a rare hand transplant has dropped out of sight and risks losing his hand unless he seeks urgent medical attention. "I really didn't expect something like this to happen," said Dr. Jean-Michel Dubernard of the transplant team said in a telephone interview Monday. Dubernard told the Associated Press that the patient, Cint Hallet, "is a difficult man, but he's a big boy now and it's up to him to follow physiothera­py." Hallet, 48, from New Zealand, received a new forearm and hand in September after 12 hours of surgery at the Edouard Herriot Hospital in Lyon, southeastern France. He left France in January. "He said 30 days ago that his skin has turned red in parts — and that could be a sign of rejection," said Dubernard.

**YUGOSLAVIA**

An ethnic Albanian refugee child waits as relatives work on their tractor during preparations to continue their flight. Many refugees are fleeing their home villages as a consequence of the attacks by the Yugoslavian army during the past two days.

**Serbs resume attacks on Albanians**

ASSOCIATED PRESS

FIRSTINA

Serb forces battled ethnic Albanian rebels northwest of Pristina today, while Secretary of State Madeleine Albright tried to keep the Kosovo peace talks in France from collaps­ing.

International peace verifiers initially reported that Serb police were separ­ating men from women and chil­dren in two ethnic Albanian villages near the fighting in what spokesman Sandy Blyth called "obviously a bad sign." Similar separations in the past preceded group slaughters.

Later, however, Blyth said the assertions proved wrong. "There is apparently no problem in either of the villages," said the spokesman for the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe.

The initial reports were based on what we were told by international ad­visers. Television crews reported police were blocking access to the area. Fighting began when about 10 Serb military vehicles came under fire near Vucitrn, said Walter Ebenberger, an OSCE spokesman.

Serb forces called in reinforce­ments — including two tanks and an armored personnel carrier — which returned fire, Ebenberger said.

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Political prisoner gets amnesty

Associated Press

SEOUL

A North Korean believed to be the world's longest-serving political prisoner was one of 3,308 people granted amnesty Monday by South Korea's president.

Woo Yong-gak, imprisoned for 41 years, was one of 17 men convicted of spying for North Korea to be freed under a sweeping amnesty that will take effect Thursday, the first anniversary of President Kim Dae-jung's inauguration.

Woo, 70, has been held in solitary confinement since being captured aboard a North Korean boat off South Korea's east coast in 1958.

The amnesty will also affect 7,304 other people convicted of various crimes who have been out of prison on parole.

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Among those pardoned were several prominent dissidents convicted of making illegal visits to North Korea, including Lim So-yong, a former college student. Her 1949 visit to North Korea significantly heightened tension between the two Koreas.

Excluded from the amnesty was Kim Hyon-chul, a son of former President Kim Young-sam, because his appeal of a three-year sentence for bribery and tax evasion is pending.

Since taking office nearly a year ago, Kim has released 180 political prisoners who signed an oath to obey South Korean laws, including one making it a crime to espouse communism.

But the 17 convicted spies, held for between 29 to 41 years, have refused to sign the oath, saying that would violate their freedom of conscience and endanger their families in the communist North.

This time, the government decided not to demand an oath.

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North Korea is demanding the return of three convicted spies who had been previously released from prison under amnesty.

South Korean officials have hinted the idea of a possible swap of all 20 for about 300 surviving South Korean war prisoners believed still held in North Korea since the 1950-53 Korean War.
Senate debates pay increase for military

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Senate pressed ahead Monday with politically popular legislation that would provide a 4.8 percent across-the-board pay raise for the military next Jan. 1, despite a plea from the Clinton administration to provide the money to pay for the increases.

The bill is the first majorpiece of legislation considered by the Senate this year, and GOP leaders said they wanted to send an important message to men and women in the Armed Services — particularly in light of a possible new military deployment in Kosovo.

President Clinton has proposed a 4.4 percent military pay raise.

In a letter to senators as debate began on the Senate floor, defense secretary William Cohen said he was concerned that the legislation, while well-meaning, could end up "raising hopes that cannot be fulfilled."

"It could be counterproductive," Cohen wrote.

If enacted, the pay raise would be the largest for the military since 1982.

The legislation would also provide more generous retirement benefits.

The administration claims the measure is $7 billion more expensive over the next five years than the $36.5 billion benefit increase proposed by Clinton in his fiscal year 2000 budget.

Cohen cautioned that, with no clear indication of where the extra money might come from, meeting the "unfunded requirement" could mean cuts in other essential military programs.

Sen. John Warner, R-Va., chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee, described the defense secretary's concerns as "constructive criticism."

"Nevertheless, we're going to forge ahead," Warner said. "Even if this bill expires, the alternative is unacceptable."

The legislation appeared to have widespread support in both parties and was expected to win Senate approval later this week.

However, several Democrats have wide support in both parties.

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Cabinet secretaries in contempt

WASHINGTON

Saying he was fed up with lies and delays, a federal judge held two Clinton Cabinet secretaries in contempt of court Monday in a dispute over $500 million in Indian trust funds. The judge said he had "never seen more egregious misconduct" by the government.

Interior secretary Bruce Babbitt and Treasury Secretary Robert Rubin must accept blame for years of bureaucratic foot dragging and "outright false statements" concerning access to documents in a lawsuit on the trust funds, U.S. district judge Royce Lamberth wrote.

Lamberth ordered Babbitt, Rubin and assistant interior secretary Kevin Cover to pay legal fees and other expenses that resulted from delays in complying with a November 1996 order to come up with the documents.

While Cabinet heads are frequently named as defendants in civil suits against the government, Lamberth's ruling is unusual in holding top officials personally responsible. The money would come from the agencies, not the men themselves.

In 1978, a federal judge cited Interior Secretary H. R. Seidelman in contempt for refusing to turn over FBI files to the Socialist Workers Party. And in 1984, a judge held William Buckley, then the Environmental Protection Agency administrator, in contempt in a dispute over emissions standards for nuclear facilities. The EPA was not yet a Cabinet-level agency.

"The judge's harshly worded ruling took special aim at Babbitt and at Justice Department lawyers in the fight over access to documents.

"The federal government here did not just stub its toe," Lamberth wrote. "It abused the rights of the plaintiffs to obtain those trust documents, and it engaged in a shocking pattern of deception of the court."

"It's the beginning of justice for victims who have been for years abused," said Eloise Cobelli, a member of the Blackfeet tribe in Montana and one of the accuser/beneficiaries suing the government. "This is money that belongs to people, the majority of them very poor people."

"We deeply regret the mistakes we made in this case, said a joint statement from the three departments also pledged to address the merits of the Individual Indian Money trust accounts system and the Clinton administration's past.

"The court is deeply disappointed that any litigant would fail to obey orders for production of documents, and then conceal and cover up that disobedience with outright false statements that the court then relied upon," the judge wrote.

"But when that litigant is the federal government, the misconduct is even more troubling."

Lamberth noted Babbitt's recent decision to remove a key official responsible for handing over the documents, but said he did not go nearly far enough.

"Babbitt's 'inattention to detail and wholesale delegation of culpability to individuals who have not served his - or the government's - interest, may cause him future problems with the court if the government misses its deadlines again,'" the judge wrote.

Lamberth said he regretted that Rubin became ensnared in the "fiasco" and suffered the tarnish of a civil contempt citation as a result.

"What is clear is that he has totally delegated his responsibility to others and they have misused the trust accounts system," the judge said.

The three departments also pledged to address the merits of the case. The statement said Babbitt was determined to fix the Individual Indian Money trust accounts system and the Clinton administration's past.

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EVELINE

Five people died in weather-related accidents in western Europe over the weekend, with snowstorms and heavy rain causing avalanches and flooding in Switzerland, France, Germany and Austria. Ten others were missing.

Avalanche victim hit Sunday evening between the Swiss villages of Evolene and Les Hauderes, sweeping away several chalets, Swiss police said. A 23-year-old town worker and his 22-year-old girlfriend were found dead, buried in their snowdrift.

"The avalanche rolled into the valley like a bulldozer and crushed everything," Valais state emergency official Charly Wulloud told reporters.

Eight people, two of them children, were missing. Wulloud said the chances of them being found alive were slim. The rescue operation was called off early Monday due to a high risk of further avalanches in the area, 110 miles from Geneva.

Some 200 people were evacuated from parts of the Val d'Hérens and the upper part of the valley was closed off. Authorities said those who stayed in Evolene not to leave their homes.

Forecasters said the danger of more avalanches was likely to be high for several days. Flooding and landslides were reported throughout northwest Switzerland. A Swiss man who took his canoe out alone Sunday in a tributary of the Rhine River was found drowned south of Zurich.

In Germany, one man fell out of a rubber dinghy Sunday night on the swollen Jagst River in Crailsheim, east of Stuttgart, and drowned. Another person whose car went off the same river Sunday morning near Heilbronn remained missing and was presumed dead.

Experts flooded two ponds in southwest Germany in the hopes of keeping the swollen Rhine River from rising, but melting snow and rain was expected to push it to record levels Tuesday.

French mountain police, aided by helicopters and trained dogs, rescued four hikers Monday, but were searching for two more missing in a snowstorm in the Pyrenees Mountains.

To the east, police temporarily abandoned a quest to reach three other hikers trapped for seven days at 9,000 feet in the northern French Alps. The three male hikers, all experienced mountaineers, told rescue workers their position Sunday evening using a cellular phone.

They dug a snow cave to protect themselves, but were rescued Monday, washed away. On Saturday night, 130 people had to be evacuated from their homes in the Kauener valley because of avalanche fears.
Turkey warns Greece about Kurds

Report: Iraqi missiles caused civilian damage

SUDAN

Rebels ready to secede to end 16-year civil war

KHARTOUM

Sudan's president signaled Monday that separation is ready to accept the secession of southern provinces if that would end the country's 16-year-old civil war.

But Omar el-Bashir stressed that his Islamic government will continue efforts to maintain the unity of the African country.

An Associated Press report, made in an interview with a Qatar television station, were reported Sunday by state-run television. A number of state-run newspapers carried excerpts.

"The possibilities of unity stand, as do the possibilities of separation," el-Bashir was quoted as saying.

"But this option of separation with peace is better than that of unity with the continuation of war," he added.

During a council debate Monday on granting civilians in armed conflict, Iraq's U.N. Ambassador Saad Hussein said the U.S. policy of no-fly zones was illegal and accused Britain and the United States of shedding "crocodile tears over the Iraqi people when they massacre every day."

He said council members had a historic opportunity to save Iraqis civilians by immediately lifting sanctions and telling Britain and the United States to stop attacks in the no-fly zones.

The British and American ambassadors reported that allied planes were responding to Iraqi threats and attacks, arguing that the no-fly zones are justified under international law because they protect civilians from Iraqi government repression.

There have been more than 80 incidents involving American and British fighter jets in the no-fly zones in the past two months.

Allied warplanes barred by Iraqi military flights over northern and southern Iraq after the 1991 Gulf War to protect Kurdish and Shiite Muslim groups.

Iraq has challenged allied forces in the "no-fly" zones almost daily since the United States to stop attacks in the no-fly zones.

But Umar el-Bashir stressed that he is willing to give southerners a chance to vote on their future — and that the government would try to persuade them to stay as part of Sudan.

Southern rebels have been fighting since 1983 for more autonomy for the south's largely Christian and animist population from the Islamic north. More than 1.9 million people have died in the fighting and resulting famines.

Under a peace agreement signed with seven breakaway rebel factions in 1997, the government committed itself to holding a referendum in four years so southerners can vote on whether they want to remain part of Sudan or secede.

That pledge also was repeated in a new constitution adopted last June in a national referendum.

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Turkey has a "right to self-defense" if Greece provides support to separatist Kurds -- a thinly veiled threat of military force against its neighbor and rival.

The warning came as a Turkish newspaper reported that imprisoned rebel warlord Abdullah Ocalan had told interrogators that Greece was helping his fighters weapons and training, claims Greece has rejected in the past.

Ocalan, captured in Kenya a week ago, was expected to stand trial for waging a near-15-year insurgency in Turkey's predominantly Kurdish southeast that has claimed an estimated 30,000 lives. He could face the death penalty.

A judge is expected this week to bring formal charges against Ocalan on Tuesday, after the end of the seven-day period in which a suspect can be held without charges.

The hearing, expected in a state security court at the island prison where Ocalan has been held, would be closed to the press and public.

Ocalan has not had access to an attorney, which has drawn criticism from international human rights groups.

On Monday, a group of 15 lawyers — including several from Turkey's independent Human Rights Association — told the court they were prepared to represent him.

"We are members of a human rights organization and believe that everyone has the right to a defense," one of the lawyers, Eren Keskin.

She said Ocalan's family had asked the lawyers to defend him.

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If Greece chooses to continue with its illegal actions, we retain our right to take the necessary precautions for our right to self-defense," the semi-official Anatolia news agency quoted him as saying during a visit to Manila.

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"Nothing has been discovered," a government official said.

A search was made of the island prison where Ocalan is held, and a state security court at the prison island.

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Annan pressing U.S. to pay dues

Associated Press

UNITED NATIONS

With low expectations, secretary general Kofi Annan heads to Washington on Tuesday to press the United States to pay its more than $1 billion in arrears to the United Nations.

U.N. officials said Monday that Annan’s trip is mostly to get to know the new Congressional leadership responsible for payment—and there is little hope that Washington will make any overtures to tackle the U.N. debt this week.

If the United States doesn’t pay about $340 million by the end of 1999, it could lose its vote in the General Assembly next year—an embarrassment Washington narrowly avoided this year, diplomats said.

Annan is scheduled to meet Tuesday with Senate majority leader Trent Lott as well as other leaders.

On Wednesday, Annan has a private lunch scheduled with secretary of state Madeleine Albright in talks likely to be dominated by Iran, Kosovo and Libya.

Congress has held up payments of U.N. debts for years to demand a reduction in the U.S. assessment and streamlining of the world organization. Annan claims he has largely come through with the demanded reforms.

Congress passed legislation last year that would have paid off much of the debt, but President Bill Clinton vetoed it because it contained what he said were unrelated anti-abortion restrictions.

Congress finally approved about $240 million in 1998, enough to keep the United States General Assembly vote.

This year, the minimum Washington must pay to keep its vote in an estimated $340 million which will be even tougher to come up with, diplomats said, speaking on condition of anonymity.

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Agencies earn C+ on Y2K readiness

WASHINGTON

Federal agencies are belatedly responding to the Year 2000 computer problem, and some of the biggest departments, including Defense and State, are still lagging behind, a House expert said Monday.

Agencies, "are finally getting around in the last year to really putting some effort into this," Rep. Stephen Horn, R-Calif., said in releasing his seventh quarterly "report card" on the status of efforts to what is known as the "Y2K" problem.

Horn, who heads the House subcommittee on government management, information and technology, gave the 24 agencies he has followed an overall grade of "C+." That's up from the "D" grade handed down in his survey last November.

"At least we know there is recognition that "Y2K" is not a new cornal," said Rep. Constance Morella, R-Md., who has worked on this problem for years.

President Clinton has given most federal agencies until March 31 to upgrade their computers so they will not be break­downs in basic public services on Jan. 1, 2000. Most older computers use only two digits to mark the year, and when the two-digit year rolls around in 2000, computer systems will be unable to distinguish between the century and the year.

Agencies, however, are not fully prepared for making major strides since the last report.

But he said three departments—Health and Human Services, Agriculture and Defense—were still in the "C" category and three others, State, Transportation and the Agency of International Development—were still in the "C+.

Koskinen and Horn agreed that things are not being done fast enough to meet the deadline, but they agreed that the cyber problem is not coming from federal systems, he said.

Horn gave 11 agencies, including Social Security Administration and the Veterans Affairs Department, either an "A" or "A-", for installing software that is Y2K-compliant. He praised the Energy and Justice departments for making major strides since the last report.

But he said three departments—Health and Human Services, Agriculture and Defense—were still in the "C" category and three others, State, Transportation and the Agency of International Development—were still in the "C+.

Pentagon spokeswoman Susan Hansen said they’ve repaired more than 90 percent of their systems and expect to be fully ready at the end of this year. "If we don’t have a system fixed we will have fully fleshe­d-out contingency plans. We will be able to carry out our national security responsibilities.

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Things quieted down after a while. Confronting the Bruskewitz administration with the Malley regime, though, was a study of direct opposites. In those months since the beginning of the restoration, 1/3 of the faculty had either resigned or been expelled. A good 10 percent of the student body had been forced to leave due to the stringent new alcohol and drug policy dubbed "draconian" by Elliot University Presidents from Harvard and Dartmouth. Sexuality, in the modern sense of the term, had been firmly suppressed. Many books in the library had been removed for their licentious content. Mass attendance was compulsory. The chapels and church halls were overflowing, and the confessio lines grew ever longer. When asked whether he felt he was limiting student's personal "freedom, liberation and expression," President Bruskewitz simply laughed.

Unfortunately, it was at that happy juncture that I awoke from my fantasizing.

The prociding was simply a ruse. It is a picture of what leftists would have us believe would happen if Notre Dame were to implement Ex Corde Ecclesiae. Just as my little dream is in many ways ludicrous in its sheer conceit, so is the picture of doom that leftists paint when discussing Ex Corde, an impressive and necessary plan for the future of Catholic Universities.

Sean Vinck is a sophomore PIS major. In deference to Cardinal Evans, he wishes you to know that the preceding was purely satirical, that he expects none of those things to happen and that he is a perfectly rational, sane and sensitive person. His column appears every other Tuesday. The views expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.
The Lenten Sacrifice

Nathaniel Hannan

We have several Lenten practices, but in this article I'd like to concentrate on two of them: giving something up and the Christian tradition of fasting. Giving something up for Lent is one of the most misunderstood practices of the Church. We hear of people giving up gum, fatty foods, TV and numerous other pleasures. Why do we do this to ourselves? Why do we bother with this antiquated custom of giving up something we enjoy? Without it? The other practice, fasting on Fridays, seems equally pointless. Why on earth fast? What does it accomplish? It doesn't increase social change, aid in studying, sleeping, learning or anything else that seems beneficial. Both of those practices seem geared to drag us down and just decrease the enjoyment that we find in life.

‘The point of our self-deprivation is in a way self-improvement, but not in the sense that abstaining from chocolate will make us thinner. Rather we are improved by what we are invited to be attentive to. Fasting and giving things up are in a way meant to be a bodily version of string tied around one’s finger.’ That which we will celebrate at the end of the 40 days — the crucifixion and resurrection. In our attentiveness to God, we are more geared to drag us down and just decrease the enjoyment that we find in life.

The fulfillment of our baptismal vows and the dust that is our sinfulness. We hear of us giving up something we enjoy, but not in the sense that abstaining from chocolate will make us thinner. Rather we are improved by what we are invited to be attentive to. Fasting and giving things up are in a way meant to be a bodily version of string tied around one’s finger.

Whenever we hanker for what we have given up or for that honeyed ham, we are to take that moment to raise our awareness to thoughts of God, and so help to accomplish the purpose of Lent by thinking of Him in a particular way.

Lent is associated with themes of sin and repentance. By being attentive to God, we are more inclined to remember these Lenten themes and also to remember what God has done for us, the act which we will celebrate at the end of the 40 days — the crucifixion and resurrection. In our attentiveness we become more grateful for Christ’s sacrifice and so participate more fully, more meaningfully in the Easter mystery. That mystery is precisely related to sin and repentance because it corrects the former and makes possible the latter.

Attnentiveness to God is something that we often miss in our busy college schedules. This season invites us particularly in enter into that which we so often dismiss and consider the fulfilling of our baptism and the promise of ages. This is what fasting is for — not to bolster a political agenda, not to make others feel bad, but as a reminder to give to God what He is due: our thoughts and indeed our very selves.

I am not Catholic. I chose to come to this great university to receive a good educational and life experience. Notre Dame has been very good to me and I have respect for everything that Notre Dame stands for, including the teachings of the Catholic Church. I respect the rights and practices of all Catholics and as a Christian, I agree with many of them. I feel that I have a unique perspective, as I am among the 12 percent minority on campus that does not practice Catholicism nor observe the practice of Lent. I was very disappointed to see that the dining halls on campus did not provide meat for Ash Wednesday nor on Friday and I would like the administration to think of the minority on campus and their rights.

The practice of Lent is very fascinating to me and I often ask my Catholic friends what it is all about and what the significance of it. To my surprise, I rarely receive the same answer from any two people. Some say it is a personal sacrifice, others say it is giving something up for Christ and for ourselves, still others are confused with the meaning of the practice, yet they practice it anyway. Is it as if all the Catholics on this campus are all reading from the same book, but everyone is on a different page.

The mission statement of this University says that they will not discriminate based upon “race, gender, or religion.” I feel that not providing meat in the dining hall on Fridays is a direct violation of this mission statement. People will argue by saying, “You chose to go to this school, and it is a private, Catholic University,” but I did not read anywhere in the brochure that meat would not be provided and I would be ultimately forced to assimilate to the Catholic practice of Lent. Paragraphs were in the brochure and complaints and marches against that rule have been rightfully struck down. I do not agree with that rule either but at least it was spelled out for me before I applied.

From another perspective, the administration is showing the Catholic student body that they plan on not trusting them. By not providing any meat in the dining halls, the entire process of free will and decision-making is taken out of the equation. The administration gives you no opportunity to test your faith; they are treating spiritual beliefs like a small section of Notre Dame and my choice is taken, too.

Fasting takes on special occasions has stated that Notre Dame welcomes all faiths and all people, but the practice of the dining halls does not. I feel that statement things up in a way meant to be a bodily version of string tied around one’s finger.

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Student Government sponsors computer survey to help students find true love

By LOUBEL CRUZ
Assistant Scene Editor

When asked about the dating scene on the Notre Dame campus, students often reply, "What dating scene?" Many students believe finding a date for a Saturday night at Notre Dame is harder than most organic chemistry exams, and finding love is even more impossible. Meeting Mr. or Ms. Right is considered extremely difficult in a college environment with academic pressure and no co-ed residence halls. Well, student government is trying to help the student body find that perfect somebody by sponsoring the Irish Love Connection. Beginning Thursday, students can fill out questionnaires to find their best matches on campus.

"We wanted to provide something fun and different for students," said Alicia Coronas, executive coordinator of Student Life. "We had originally hoped to have this done for Valentine's Day, but we thought it would still be worth doing it in March."

"We would never suggest that ND needed help in the social scene, but we just thought the Irish Love Connection could be just the thing to rekindle the love that seems to be frozen from the harsh winter," said Brooke Glessing, member of the Campus Unity Committee.

The Irish Love Connection is the name for a computer data match survey. Each student fills out a survey which will be available in both dining halls and LaFortune Student Center. The survey asks questions ranging from opinions about sports to kissing habits. By filling out the survey, the sponsoring company will put the answers through a "compatibility test" and send the results back. Students can return the survey with no commitment to buy the results and can receive results sometime after spring break. For one dollar, a student can receive the list that includes the best matches from within their class, and for an additional dollar, they can buy the list of best matches from the remaining student body.

Student Government stresses the importance of the student's role in the success of this event.

"This will only work if there is a lot of student participation," said Coronas. "There is no obligation to buy the results when taking the survey. The hope is to receive as much participation as possible to have the best results possible. "We encourage everyone to fill out a survey so that you can be paired up with the right people," said Glessing.

"All of the personal answers filled in the questionnaire remain confidential and will not be released to any other students. "All of the students' responses will be kept confidential, as a computer service does all of the matching," said Coronas.

Students should not believe they are guaranteed to find their right mate by participating in the Love Connection. The goal purpose of the event is give some fun and excitement onto campus. "All in all, this is purely for fun," said Glessing. "But who knows? Maybe your love is right around the corner and the connection will just bring you together."

Surveys will be available beginning this Thursday, from 9 p.m. to midnight, and Friday and Saturday, from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. at LaFortune. They will also be available Friday during lunch hours and next Monday and Tuesday during lunch and dinner hours at both dining halls.

"Here at ND, love is always in the air, we thought that this would be a fun way to give you that extra boost in finding your match," said Glessing. "Don't be shy, there is no risk involved. We hope that by participating in the Irish Love Connection, you will have fun and perhaps meet your soul mate."

THE QUESTIONNAIRE

HERE ARE SOME SAMPLE QUESTIONS FROM THE LOVE CONNECTION SURVEY.

1. For the most part, do you consider yourself: (a) quiet, sensitive and mysterious (b) calm, cool, collected, usually in control (c) a live wire, full of fun and high spirits (d) sometimes very quiet and sometimes full of fun

2. You most like a date who? (a) laughs a lot and enjoys life (b) is quiet, sensitive and understanding (c) is intelligent and perceptive

3. Which do you believe? (a) you believe in love at first sight (b) the idea of love at first sight is silly (c) love takes time

4. Who do you feel are the happiest people? (a) those with a great deal of money (b) those who give much to others (c) those who have had many successes in their life (d) those who are very good looking

5. The best part of ND football games is: (a) watching the game (b) throwing marshmallows (c) tailgating (d) checking out the opposite sex (e) do not attend football games

6. How spicy do you like your food? (a) spicy (b) hot (c) "wow" (d) mild

7. In a group, you are: (a) often the center of attention (b) sometimes the center of attention (c) usually a spectator
Q. My roommate thinks I drink too much. I think she’s wrong, but how would I know if I did have a drinking problem?

A. Here are some signs of problem drinking. If you can truthfully answer 'yes' to any of these, you may want to discuss your drinking with a professional.

1. Do you ever drive after drinking?
2. Has a medical professional suggested you may have a problem, or have you had concerns about alcohol influencing your health — including physical symptoms like increased heart rate or shakiness? Is your memory affected?
3. Do you drink to relax, escape problems, or beat loneliness?
4. Have you made up rules to control your drinking (for example, "I won’t drink until the band starts playing," or "I’ll drink only on Saturday nights?")?
5. Do you deny the amount of alcohol you drink — either to yourself or others — or have you ever hidden your alcohol bottles from roommates, friends or family?
6. Have you ever gotten drunk while you were driving?
7. Are you drinking after your sleeping or eating patterns? Do you have more beer in your refrigerator than food? Do you miss Sunday morning church or bagels and coffee with a friend because of your drinking?
8. Have you lost interest in activities or relationships that you used to enjoy?
9. Have you been embarrassed because of your drinking at social events?
10. Do you drink in your room alone more than before?
11. After a tough time in your life, have you begun drinking more? Do you drink more during exams, midterms or other stressful times?
12. Has your drinking increased since you’ve been in college?

What’s your score? Remember, any 'yes' answers mean that you’re at risk for being a problem drinker.

Q. I caught my girlfriend lying about how many beers she had the other night. I saw her drink five, but she says it was only two. Could she be an alcoholic?

A. Hold on! Don’t jump to any conclusions. The truth may be somewhere between your estimate and hers, or she may simply have lost track. Disturbing how many drinks she had doesn’t automatically mean “alcoholic.” She may just be embarrassed that she drank a lot that one time.

Although a common facet of alcohol abuse is denial (a distorted view of the problem or refusal to see how significant the alcohol consumption is), your girlfriend isn’t necessarily denying it. And if she is denying it, she isn’t necessarily alcoholic. Do you see where you may have gotten ahead of yourself?

Take time to learn more about the warning signs of alcoholism (of which denial is one). The Office of Alcohol and Drug Education has resources to help you gather information.

Q. Is alcoholism really a medical problem?

A. Absolutely. Alcohol is as biologically-based as cancer, AIDS or depression. I wish that we could remove the stigma associated with alcoholism. Alcoholism is a disease, a real medical affliction. The American Medical Association declared alcohol and other drug dependencies a disease in 1956; yet we still fight the models of earlier times that considered alcoholism simply a poor moral choice.

Although people suffer to different degrees from alcoholism, there are common characteristics associated with its progression. These are denial, loss of control, compulsions, and continued use of alcohol in the face of adverse consequences. Alcoholics Anonymous defines alcoholism as a disease not just of the body, but also of the mind and spirit, and the definition has a lot of merit.

Alcoholism has a biochemical root, based on a genetic predisposition. Studies have been done that indicate that at least some types of alcoholism are inherited and are only secondarily influenced by other psychiatric and personality disorders that may contribute to, but do not cause, alcoholism.

It may make alcoholism seem more scary to think of it as a disease, but in reality you should think of it as more manageable because it is a disease. Instead of having to deal with an alcohol problem as a situation of “mind over matter,” a drinker should seek medical intervention. Just as in the management of other diseases, alcohol can be addressed and treated both physically and emotionally.

Problem drinkers can find solutions and feel better.

For answers to questions about alcohol or drug problems in your life, call the Office of Alcohol and Drug Education @ 631-7970. This Reachout Column is provided by the Lowe Family Foundation. Visit them at www.lowefamily.org.
In its final tune-up before the Midwest Championships, the depleted Irish fencing squad had both successful weekends.

The men's team, without the services of junior Solis Charles Hays, who remained in South Bend for the Junior Parents' Weekend, completed an undefeated record in Midwestern dual-meets by posting a 6-0 weekend.

The men finished the dual-meet season 12-0 against the Midwest and 22-1 overall. The only loss on the season came in a hard-fought match with defending national champion Penn State on the first weekend of competition.

The women's team traveled to Lawrence University missing three key fencers, Alina Kalogerla and Magda Kroi. Kroi remained behind for JPW, while senior all-American Sara Walsh was out due to illness.

The Irish women's team managed to win five of their six matches. The lone loss came against Northwestern, which defeated the women 17-15.

The women completed the Midwest dual-meet season with an 11-2 record and 19-4 overall. The other Midwest loss came against Ohio State at the Duke Invitational. The only other Irish defeats came at the hands of Penn State and Columbia-Barnard on the first weekend of competition.

This weekend's matches proved to be easy fare for the freshmen fencers. Steve MacCone had already established a strong烙esult, and as he posted a 29-15 mark coming into this weekend. With the absence of Hays, however, he would be called upon to face even tougher competition.

"We have a very deep team," MacDonald stated. "I don't feel too much extra pressure. But I still wanted to do well."

MacDonald took on the challenge and responded with a solid performance, continuing with only two defeats.

He now has the most victories on the team this season. Freshmen Jeremy Beau, who had previously fended off one match in his fencing career, posted a 14-2 record this weekend. Beau's weekend was highlighted by undefeated records for Michigan, Michigan State, Detroit Mercy and Northwestern.

Captain Stefanie Auric continued his steady play. His 14 victories on the weekend raised his season total to 44, tying his career high for wins in a season.

"It was my first start in a tournament so I was a little nervous," Beno said. "The first few matches were tough but then I calmed down. Stefanie helped me out a lot."

The men's epee team struggled a bit on the weekend, falling to Lawrence 5-4. Brian Casas and senior all-American Frank皇上 defeated the squad for a 12-4 record.

Captain Ris Tranorth's Notre Dame has given the epee squad added inspiration for the upcoming Midwest Championships.

"Lawrence is a good squad," Jackson commented. "When we saw them again this weekend (at the championships), it's going to be nothing but revenge on our minds. It's payback time."

The men's saber squad had perhaps its most dominant weekend of the season. The team went undefeated against Michigan, Michigan State, Detroit Mercy and Northwestern.

"The loss of Krol proved to be too tough for the weakened Irish squad."

The full team led by all-American Myriah Brown, captain Nicole Paulina and senior Gina Court combined to go 67-5 on the weekend. It received a strong challenge from both Notre Dame West and Northwestern.

Notre Dame's men's fencing team defeated Michigan, Michigan State, Detroit Mercy and Lawrence Northwestern this weekend to boost their overall record to 22-1.

Women's teams. While Wayne State, Michigan, Michigan State, Detroit Mercy and Lawrence were all defeated with ease, 20-12, 25-7, 25-7, 31-1 and 31-1, respectively. But Northwestern proved to be too tough for the weakened Irish squad.

"The loss to Lawrence has given the sabre squad added motivation so I was a little nervous," Beau said. "The first few matches were tough but then I calmed down. Stefanie helped me out a lot."

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"Under the circumstances and pressure, I thought we all performed very well," Paulina said.

"This weekend was a major con­densation booster."

The epee team rolled over Wayne State University, Michigan, Michigan State, Detroit Mercy and Lawrence, but the loss to Krol proved to be too much when it came to the Midwestern Championships.

Senior all-American captain Nicole Mistell went 21-1 on the weekend and undefeated against Northwestern. The rest of the team, however, struggled against the Wildcats, winning only one match en route to a 11-5 loss.

The Irish must put the struggles and successes of the past behind them this week and focus on the Midwest Championships which will be held in the Joyce Center this weekend.

"We are just trying to get back to basics and making sure we are not rusty," Jackson said.

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Rodman closing in on deal with Los Angeles

Associated Press

BEVERLY HILLS, Calif. — There were tears. There was talk of sex. There were obscenities. There was flamboyant fashion.

All the commotion came as Dennis Rodman held a news conference Monday and said he was moving closer to playing for the Los Angeles Lakers.

Rodman, the seven-time defending rebounding champion, said he expects to be in uniform Thursday or Friday. ESPN said he would practice Wednesday — even though the team will be coming off three road games in three nights — and make his debut Friday against the Los Angeles Clippers.

The latest chapter of "As The Worm Turns," along with the Lakers' subsequent 117-113 loss at Denver, made for another turbulent day. But that's nothing new to the Lakers, who three weeks ago made it clear they wanted to sign the 37-year-old tattooed forward, a member of five championship teams, including the last three with the Chicago Bulls.

Dressed conservatively — for him — except for a wide, multi-colored hat and dark glasses, Rodman arrived 30 minutes late for his news conference. He was accompanied by his wife, actress Carmen Electra, agent Steve Chasman and sister Debra. But nobody was there from the Lakers.

Then came a series of bizarre and conflicting statements. And the news conference ended abruptly after some 20 minutes with a tearful Rodman being asked if he had been selfish by not announcing a decision earlier.

Rodman began by saying he wanted to sign with the Lakers, but matters were incomplete. When angrily questioned why he called the news conference if he had no announcement to make, Rodman snapped: "You don't have to be here." Shortly thereafter he said he hoped to sign Monday night.

"Hopefully, I'll be playing this week, and, hopefully, the Lakers and the people of California will accept me for who I am and what I do," he said. "If not, I'll move on."

Rodman said he had spoken with Lakers owner Jerry Buss several times and hoped to sign a two- or three-year deal with the team. He insists he is in good shape and could immediately play 30 to 35 minutes a game.

"You can count on me, you can count on me going to prac-
tice," he said.

Rodman said the Lakers weren't a championship team now and must change their approach.

"All the guys want to be superstars," he said. "Everybody has to play a role. This team doesn't understand that right now."

The Lakers (46-5) didn't look like a championship team in their loss at Denver, which had won just once in nine previous games.

"I'm hoping that this is going to give us a boost, because we need one," guard Derek Harper said following the latest loss. "Getting him will help. We need help as a team. He is a high-energy player."

Shaquille O'Neal said Rodman will bring defense and rebounds.

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Men place second, women take third at Big East

By KEVIN THOMPSON
Sports Writer

It's what they prepare for all season long.

All anyone talks about all season in the Big East. The Notre Dame men's and women's track and field teams did not disappoint this weekend, both turning in strong performances at the 1999 Big East Indoor Championships.

The men took home second place and the women placed third at the Carrier Dome in Syracuse, NY. A deep Georgetown squad proved too much for the men, who finished 65 points behind the Hoyas.

"We felt that if we hit on all cylinders and utilized all our weapons we would come up with a strong showing," said head coach Joe Plane. "We faced a very deep and experienced team."

The women scored 100 points on route to a third-place finish. Only 19 points separated first-place Pittsburgh and the third-place Irish. It was the highest-ever finish for the Notre Dame women at the Big East Indoor Championships, a marked improvement over last year's ninth place.

Leading a spectacular day for the women was junior Joanna Doctor in the 3000 meters. Doctor smelled victory, but fell 12.694 seconds to Providence's Sarah Dupre. Junior Jennifer Engelhard equaled her best indoor mark of 5-10 inches in the high jump. The height was good enough for second place.

Junior Jennifer Engelhardt equaled her best indoor mark of 5-feet-10 inches in the high jump. The height was good enough for second place. Engelhardt looks to produce some of the best all-American form at the NCAA championships if she can turn in another solid performance next week at the Alex Wilson Invitational.

Freshmen Liz Grow and Dore DeBartolo led a talented batch of newcomers to the conference championships. Grow raced to a second-place finish in the 400 meters in 55.56. She also scored in the 200 meters with a time of 23.17.

DeBartolo continued to impress with a strong third-place finish in the shot put.

After a rough first day, (DeBartolo) really pulled it together," said assistant coach Scott Winston. "As a freshman, she showed poise in her first Big East Championship."

A strong freshmen contingent has been a sparkplug for the women all season. Their influence has not gone unnoticed.

"They have come in with a different attitude that has been invaluable," said assistant coach John Millar. "It's what they prepare for all season. Their influence has not gone unnoticed."

The men's side was junior Mike Brown's victory in the pole vault. Brown soared to a height of 16-feet-2 inches to capture his third-consecutive Big East title in the event. Brown is only the second Notre Dame athlete to accomplish the feat. The first was all-American Jason Rexing in the 2000 meters. While Brown is proud of the win, he believes his best stuff deserted him. He looks for a jump over 17 feet to assure himself a spot in the NCAA Indoor Championships in two weeks.

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Leading the men's side, junior Marshall West continues to turn heads. West placed first in the 200 meters with a time of 21.42. West, who has qualified for NCAA Championships in the 200 meters and long jump, might have a tough decision to make in two weeks. At the Championships, the long jump and 200 meter events occur at the same time. West and the Irish coaches must decide where to compete. This is an enviable dilemma for many collegiate athletes.

"Marshall is in an interesting situation," said Millar. "While he possesses undeniable talent in sprint events, we will weigh the options carefully. If he qualifies for both events we will sit down in the next couple of weeks and make a decision."

Other top finishers for the men include sophomore Ryan Shay with a victory in the 3000 meters and second place in the 2000. Shay qualified for the NCAA championships in the mile run in 4:14.43. Junior Phil Meiskra ran the 1000 meters in 2:29.42 for fourth place and Joshua Herb took fourth in the pole vault with a height of 15-feet-3-inches.

The Notre Dame men's and women's track teams will be at it again next weekend at the Alex Wilson Invitational at the Meyo Track in Loftus Athletic Center. This is the last opportunity for Notre Dame athletes to qualify for the NCAA championships coming up on March 5-6.

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**McMillen goes for Irish record**

By BRIAN KESSLER
Assistant Sports Editor

Senior captain Sheila McMillen will look to enter her name in the Notre Dame record book tonight when the sixth-ranked women's basketball team (20-3) closes out the regular season at home against Miami (14-11). McMillen needs just one three pointer to surpass Beth Morgan and become the Irish leader in career three-point field goals made.

"It's a great accomplishment," said McMillen, who tied the school record on Saturday. "I know that one day I'll be able to look back and think more of this, but right now, we're all concentrating on the tournament."

McMillen's team has already locked up the third seed for the Big East tournament, but will look to close out the season with their third straight victory.

"We haven't played Miami this year, so it will be a new matchup for us," said sophomore Ruth Riley, who leads the Big East in rebounding and field goal percentage. "We're looking to finish strong and get ready for the tournament."

McMillen and freshman Ericka Haney earned Big East honors for their play last week, as the Irish defeated Syracuse and Virginia, McMillen was named co-Big East player of the week, as she broke Morgan's single season three point record while averaging 22.5 points per game and 4.5 rebounds. Haney garnered co-Freshman of the week honors for the first time of her career, as she averaged 13 points and six boards in the two Irish victories.

**SOFTBALL**

**Irish open season with two victories**

Special to the Observer

The Notre Dame softball team kicked off its 1999 season with two wins over South Florida (2-0) and Georgia Tech (6-1) at the Gladstones Tournament Friday night. Notre Dame moved to 2-0 on the season and joins Tennessee as the only undefeated teams after day one of the six-team tournament.

In the first game of the night, the Irish upset sixth-ranked South Florida by a 2-0 margin.

Irish freshman Jarrah Myers, in her first collegiate at-bat, launched a home run over the fence in left-center to score the winning run in the bottom of the second inning.

Notre Dame added another run in the fifth-inning after senior Amy Laboe picked up the win for the Irish, limiting the Bulls to just four hits, with a complete game performance.

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Belles close season with 63-53 loss to Adrian

By MOLLY MCVOY

The Belles' average margin of loss this season has been 9.9 points, but that's not the only similarity that Saturday's game had with the Belles' overall play this season. Once again, the Belles allowed themselves to fall behind early in the game, then staged a comeback, before falling short.

"This season has been frustrating," said sophomore forward Julie Norman. "It will prove to be an asset next season though. We've grown and bonded as a team with all the rough times."

Saint Mary's outscored Adrian in the second half, but it did not compensate for its performance in the first half. The Belles only made 9 of 31 shots from the floor in the first half, a 29 percent shooting performance. They nearly doubled that in the second half, shooting 52 percent, but Adrian took advantage early and maintained enough control to pull it out.

The Belles went into halftime behind by 12 points (37-25), but could not overcome its first-half play. The problem plaguing Saint Mary's all season has been its seeming inability to play a consistent 40 minutes of basketball. Often, it seemed as if the Belles had as much, if not more, talent than their opponents who ended up recording the win. Lack of experience has been a key factor that head coach Dave Boeder has pointed to all season long.

"We can only blame our youth for so long. We need to turn it around," he said earlier this year. It seems that the team will have to look to next year for that turn-around from their newly acquired experience. The Belles have improved this season and those improvements will hopefully appear as wins on the schedule next year.

There is a lot of talent which indicates that the Belles will be able to do just that. Norman finished the year in the top 10 league leaders in overall scoring, steals and three point shooting. Freshman Kelly Jones finished second in the league in blocked shots and in the top 10 in rebounding.

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Irish split weekend matches

By NATHANIEL DeNICOLA

There are good fortunes whose benefits are immediate and obvious.

The Notre Dame men's tennis team is praying for a blessing in disguise.

Since their promising 3-0 start, the team has suffered three heartbreaking 4-3 losses to Texas, Kentucky and Minnesota, each of which escaped the Irish by a few unfortunate bounces of the ball.

"Those are always tough losses, but better it happen now than later," head coach Bob Bayliss said.

Junior all-American Ryan Sachire expressed similar sentiments on the Irish's string of frustrating defeats.

"We are so close to being 7-1, but close isn't where we want to be," said Sachire. "Perhaps this will be good in the long run; it doesn't give us a false sense of security."

Over the weekend the 24th-ranked Irish split two matches at the Eck Tennis Pavilion.

Third-ranked Sachire triumphed over No. 46 Doug Bohaboy 6-4, 7-5 at No. 1 singles, followed by senior captain Brian Patterson's 7-6 (5), 6-3 victory at number two. At Nos. 3-5 Daly won against Erickson, 7-5, 6-2. Warford outlasted Nguyen 6-3, 3-6, 6-3, and Smith easily handled Hol 6-1, 6-1.

Clearly the team's most dominating display, Notre Dame's shutout against Northwestern yielded two-fold benefits. First, it served as a mild form of retribution for the shutout endured by the Irish at the hands of Duke from the week before.

"We wanted to show that Duke was a fluke and prove that we can beat the good teams," said Sachire.

Second, the victory marked the realization of Bob Bayliss' much anticipated 500th career dual-match victory. Bayliss, who has spent much of his career at Notre Dame, has been a part of it.

The victory certainly places Bayliss in elite company, becoming only the 22nd coach in collegiate men's tennis history to accomplish such a feat.

Bayliss' "though having it occur at Notre Dame did make it a little more special."

Senior captain Warford noted this modesty. "Coach downplayed it a lot, but the whole team knew what he had accomplished."

Despite the modesty, others were lavish in bestowing praise.

"I think it's a great tribute to his dedication. It establishes him as one of the best coaches in college," said Sachire. "We were all proud that we could be a part of it."

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For all the dramas that Saturday provided, Sunday counteracted it with an equal amount of disappointment.

Minnesota won the doubles point to gain the early 1-0 advantage, but Notre Dame rallied in the singles matches to build a 3-2 lead. The Irish were lead by the usual suspects with second-ranked Sachire defeating Tyson Perry at No. 1 singles 6-3, 6-2. Patterson beat Adam Selkrik at No. 2 singles 7-6 (3), 6-3, and Andrew Laflin continuing his command over No. 46 Doug Bohaboy 6-4, 7-5.

The Irish, however, staged a dramatic come-from-behind victory, capped by Jon Svensson's win over Italy at No. 3 singles to finish the match, 4-3. Italy fought off two match points at 6-4 in the second set tiebreaker to force a third set.
Freshman Hernandez impresses

By KATHLEEN LOPEZ  
Sports Editor

With each fight that passes, the story of the 150-pound divi­
sion thickens.

Freshman Edward "El Papoose" Hernandez advanced by unanimous decision over his opening-round foe, junior John Froman in a fight that went just short of three rounds. It was a strong perform­ance for the freshman.

On the other side of the bracket, top-seeded J.R. Mellin appeared dominant as his opening-round duel with Bahu Kaza ended just past the halfway mark in the first round. Mellin's aggressive style earned Kaza a standing-eight count which he never recovered from.

As the Bouts continue, fresh­man sensation Hernandez edges closer to a possible duel with defending champion Mellin. Both boxers are open to tough matches in the semi-finals. Each has shown the ability to get a full fight under his belt, which is a disadvan­tage for opponents looking to Mellin.

Two of these will encounter semi-final opponents in Matt "The International Man of Mystery" Lynn and Kevin "Boom" Bosco-Baccali.

Lynn earned his semi-final bid through a tough luch split deci­sion victory over John Tubas. These two went blow-for-blow, with Tubas on both ends of his round with Lynn. As the Bout continues, Lynn appeared to go for the win and came out harder than he did. Lynn said: "It was good for me in a sense that I got everything out and I won't be able to do that next time."

150-Pound Division

Senior Mike "Lockdown" LaDuke came out swinging and caught Matt "Doctor Sin" McCullough off guard. The cap­tain's combination stunned McCullough as he got his stand­ing eight count to recover. Despite McCullough's determina­tion, LaDuke advanced by unanimous decision.

Everything appeared to go according to plan in 160-pound division, until freshman Juan "El Matoro" Santucci stepped in the ring.

The Argentinian appeared somewhat timid in the opening round. His opponent, second­seeded junior Jeff "The Bruisin Bearhawk" Dobosh controlled the ring. He took a calm and calculat­ed approach. Santucci rolled in at the close of the first round and never looked back. The freshman upset the favored junior in a split decision, one of the biggest upsets of the night.

Freshman Daniel Saracino advanced by unanimous deci­sion over Ray Wicklander. Joshua Kirley advanced in what the crowd thought a somewhat controversial call over Miguel Tapia. Kirley advanced by unan­nounced decision, but not easily, with Tapia landing vicious rights.

163-Pound Division

In Monday night's contest, Kevin "The Jersey Mothbath" Murphy saw all his dedication pay off. The law student's boxers and jabs appeared to much for Brian Conley. Murphy's power­ful punches earned Conley a standing-eight count which he never really recovered from. The referee stopped the contest 1:21 seconds into the first round.

"I like to dedicate each fight," Murphy said. "This fight was mostly dedicated to my friends who have supported me throughout. I wanted to get to the win, but I wanted to do something exciting for them. I wanted to get out and land some real good punches. I really just came in looking to connect and keep the pressure on him."

Following Murphy's fight, the crowd's hunger for a big time bout was satisfied. Sean "The Erie Kid" Nowak and Shane Luzzader came out quickly. Each of boxers landed solid hits with the recipients landing on the mat. While Nowak's and Luzzader's fight was not the most controlled, it got the crowd's atten­tion. Nowak advanced by the referee stop­ping the fight 1:12 seconds into the second round.

Following the pattern set by the previous fights, Billy "Sweet Pea" McMurtrie advanced to the semi-finals with the referee stopping the fight with one minute remaining in the third. Dennis Lumbao found himself on the receiving end of a continua­tuous barrage of McMurtrie's punches.

The only fight in the division that made it a full three rounds was that of Travis Alexander. Alexander advanced by unani­mous decision over senior Chris Uhart.
Experienced fighters advance to Wednesday’s semis

By KERRY SMITH
Sports Writer

Experience proved to be a key factor in determining the victors of Monday night’s quarterfinal round of the 69th annual Bengal Bouts, although the night did not end without a few surprises.

Top seeds Tom “Polly Prissy Pants” Biolchini, Alex “The Cara Cab Kid” Kerrigan, Brian “The Highlander” Hobbins and Josh “Gaffney Who?” Thompson all relied on experience and technique to defeat their opponents and gain spots in Wednesday’s semifinal matches.

In the 165-pound division, Biolchini met a spirited competitor in junior Doug Bartles. Bartles’ aggressiveness in the opening minutes of the first round came as a surprise to the favorite.

“I didn’t fight as I would have liked,” said Biolchini. “I didn’t expect him to be as aggressive as he was. He did a great job. It was a lesson well-learned.”

Biolchini’s upperscuts proved to be too much for Bartles, as the top seed advanced in a unanimous decision.

Biolchini will face junior Joe “The Krigler” Kippels, who upset No. 4 seed Kurti “The Captain” Kurple, in the semifinals. Two standing-eight counts caused Kurple trouble in the first and second rounds and Kippels was awarded the match 1:50 into the second round.

No. 2 seed Don “Juan the Destroyer” Penn was a highlight of the night, taking only 48 seconds to knock out sophomore challenger Chris “The Ring Wrecker” Polcari. Polcari won a split decision against his fighting.

Penn plans to focus on his technique to get ready for the semifinal fight with Tony “The Wayne House of Pain” Polcari. Polcari won a split decision in an evenly fought match to upset No. 3 Jeff “The Stranger” Walsh.

170-Pound Division

The 170-pound division had Kerrigan in control of his bout with Chris “The Ring Master” Matassa. Kerrigan’s experience and repeated landed combinations were too much for the freshman competitor to handle and the top seed advanced to the semis on a unanimous decision.

Kerrigan will face freshman Paul “Pepe La Pew” Peterson who overwhelmed Bill “The Fighting Arby” Ponko in a bloody match-up that ended in a split decision.

No. 3 Brian Nester was put on the defensive right away as No. 6 Michael “Honey” Hammes pushed an upset to gain a spot in the semifinals.

Hammes threw several crosses in the second round to defeat Nester in a unanimous decision.

Tom “The Wire” Dehmer edged out challenger Eric “Canvas Back” Hovan in a split decision. Hovan proved to be tough competition for the No. 2 seed Dehmer, who was given a standing-eight count in the first round and dropped to his knee against a controlled Hovan in the second.

In the 175-pound division, top seed Michael “Himman” Halloran 39 seconds into the third round. Halloran suffered a blow to his left arm in the first round which affected his fighting.

“My hand goes off to Mike,” said Halloran. “He got me to fight a lot closer than I would have liked to. It’s just too bad that he was hurt early on.”

Hobbins quick in-and-out technique was key in the win. Hobbins will face No. 5 Trent “Kid Kokomo” Sandifur in the semis on Wednesday. Sandifur’s aggressive offense proved to be no match for No. 4 Michael “Woody” Wilson. It took only 1:01 and two standing-eight counts for Sandifur to be awarded the win.

Second-seed Steve “Angel of Death” Pfeiffer controlled the ring in his match-up against junior Stephen “The Berzerkel” Beuche.

Beuche stayed tough the entire match, even after losing his contact early in the third round, but Pfeiffer’s strong left jabs and landed combinations proved to be too much for the No. 7 challenger.

Pfeiffer is set to take on “Gentle Giant” Ben Dillon who upset No. 3 Joe “The Polish tank” Czerniawski in a split decision.

180-Pound Division

No. 1 seed Thompson led the 180-pound division, looking confident and in control as he handily defeated Tom “Tommy Gun” Cullen. Thompson’s patient technique led to two standing-eight counts for Cullen in the first round and a knock-down in the second.

The referee awarded Thompson the win 23 seconds into the second round.

Thompson will face No. 5 Willie Kent in the semis. Although he faced tough competition from Chris “The Bruisin’ Lugut” Viamonas, Kent upset the No. 4 seed in a unanimous decision.

No. 2 seed Paul “You Better Recognize Champ!” Chen showed great composition and technique, taking control of his fight against freshman Bobby “I’m Not Dead Yet” Kennedy. The inexperienced Kennedy could not compete with Chen’s patient and deliberate punches. Chen won in a unanimous decision.

Chen will take on No. 3 Mark Criniti, who upset third seed Zach Allen in a unanimous decision. Evenly matched in the first round, Criniti took control of the fight in the second, knocking down Allen and finishing the match with strong technique.

Winners of Monday’s quarterfinals have only a day to prepare for the semifinal matches. Strength and endurance will continue to be a huge factor in determining the outcome of the rest of the week’s bouts.
Will earns unanimous decision over Fulton

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Last night’s opening rounds packed plenty of powerful punches in the 135- and 145-pound divisions, including the one from Tommy Will that sent Zach Fulton staggering in the first round.

Will, the top seed in the 145-pound division, started his quest for a crown off right with a unanimous decision victory over Fulton. Will’s veteran status showed in his ability to exercise the jab-right hook combination, sending Fulton to three standing-eights counts, including two in the third round.

“It felt great to get in the ring,” Will said. “I was really anxious for the fight. Fulton was taller, but I was able to use a good hook and that helped.”

One of the most exciting fights of the division followed Will’s win. Junior Jim Shacklett earned a split decision victory over Anton Kemps that brought the crowd to life. Shacklett used a slight height advantage and a longer reach to counter the body blows landed by Kemps with jabs of his own. In the third round, Kemps began to run to the comeback, forcing Shacklett onto the ropes, but was ultimately outlasted by the junior.

The next fight matched youth with experience, as freshman Daniel Gonzalez squared off against law student Phil Castrogiovanni. Castrogiovanni prevailed in a split decision victory that included two standing-eights counts on Gonzalez, one in the first round following a powerful uppercut. Gonzalez showed the most strength in the third round, although his attack proved too little, too late.

The bouts in the 145-pound division ended where they began with another unanimous decision. This time it was junior officer Mike Maguire who defeated senior Mike Tahay. Maguire and Tahay fought tentatively in the first and second rounds, but Maguire’s well-placed hooks found their target more often than not. Both fighters came alive in the third round to spark a battle that otherwise lacked a barrage of punches.

135-Pound Division

But while the hard-hitting action found its way into the 145-pound division, the boxers in the 135-pound division shed more blood.

A unanimous decision victory by Martin Garry over Matt Fumagalli left the freshman with a bloody nose in a losing effort. Garry, the underdog, landed a majority of jabs in a controlled and technically sound effort. In the third round, Garry’s dominance continued, although the junior did put in a valiant effort in this year’s first time in the ring.

Top-seeded David Seerveld earned a unanimous decision in last night’s bout with John Kakkanathu. Apparently the plan worked for the senior, who used an effective combination and good defensive positioning to control the center of the ring while keeping Kakkanathu on the ropes.

The final two bouts of the 135-pound division ended in split decisions, as Daniel Gallegos outlasted Matt Eberly and Charles Madden surprised second-seeded Camilo Rueda.

Gallegos came out aggressively in the first round, and fought his way off the ropes late in the round. Eberly landed a few body blows, but couldn’t counter Gallegos’ jabs and uppercuts. Gallegos also overcame an obstacle that may be detrimental in the coming rounds—a short reach.

Madden, a Keenan Ball junior, knocked off Rueda in the division’s final fight, a back-and-forth effort that came down to Madden’s aggressive style. Rueda had difficulty on the defensive side, as Madden came out swinging. The Siegfried sophomore landed a few jab-hook combinations in the first round, but got caught with his hands too low to fend off strong jabs by “The Montana Mauler.”

In a night of hard-hitting action all around, some of the most powerful punches came from unexpected places.

By Jeff Hsu

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190-Pound Division

Dave “Bell-Vegas” Butz made quick work of Freshman Joe Larson. Larson came out strong but Butz countered with some serious combos. Larson was saved by the bell in the first round as Butz delivered some heavy blows. Larson came out fast in the second round but Butz was ready to put the fight away. The fight was called shortly into the second round.


195-Pound Division

Chris “Lucky” Luechtefeld downed Zach “The Poinstar” Schueller 23 seconds into the second round. Schueller had a tough time getting things going as Luechtefeld left him bloody after the first round.

In a crowd-pleaser, Alex Kent edged Kevin Jinks with a strong third round to earn the unanimous decision. The two fighters exchanged vicious combos and the outcome was in question throughout. Kent took control in the third catching jabs off balance several times.

Jason “J-Rod” Rodriguez earned a split decision over Greg “The Salvator” Joseph to round out the 195-pound division. Number one seed Pete “Beat the Rap” Ryan received a bye.

Heavyweight Division

At just about midnight, the heavyweights rolled into the Joyce Center. But John “the Pitbull” Salviuio rolled in like thunder. Salviuio lived up to his vicious nickname, storming into the ring with an abundance of energy. The energy carried him through his first round opponent Sean “Gonna Rock You Like a Hurricane” Donnelly. One minute into round one, Salviuio landed a right hook that left Donnelly stunned. The fight could not continue.

Salviuio’s energy and quickness should help him in the heavyweight division.

In other heavyweight action, Mike “The Bishop” Romero won a unanimous decision over Kevin “Party Ball” McLean and Greg “The Rain Man” Yatorola earned a unanimous decision over Pat “Why Am I So Crazy” Downes. Rounding out the evening’s competition was Andy “Big Cat” Gliederer over Jeff “The Wallin” Episcopalian in a unanimous decision.
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Notre Dame’s pitching was highlighted by Tim Kalita, who tossed four shutout innings. The senior right-hander won for the 22nd time in his career, which places him eighth on ND’s career wins list. John Corbin finished off the victory by allowing only one run.

All-American shortstop Brandt Ullom provided the offensive spark — which he’s shown throughout his career — by going 3-for-3, including his 30th career home run. He and Brandt Ullom provided the leadership that we will need all season. If we can play as well as we did against them on a consistent basis, we’re going to have a good season.

Florida International provided a tough test in its three-game series, but there were some bright spots for the Irish, especially in the starting pitching.

In the first matchup, starter Tim Kalita allowed only two runs in the five innings he pitched, before FIU blew it open with 10 runs in the sixth inning to record a 14-1 victory for the Irish in the seventh inning to record the only run of the game.

Mainieri had high praise for FIU's team.

"We ran into a buzzsaw there," he said. "This is probably FIU’s most outstanding team in its history. They have a very solid team and their starting rotation completely handcuffed our hitters.

The middle game of the series was the closest of the three and provided a good pitching battle between Notre Dame’s duo of Scott Cavey and Chris McKeown and FIU’s Raul Garcia. Garcia had the upper hand in the 3-2 victory, allowing two runs and three hits while striking out 11 Irish batters. Cavey started the game off by allowing three runs with four strikeouts before the lefty McKeown tossed four shutout innings.

The offensive struggles continued for the Irish in the finale of the weekend. FIU’s David Mittauer continued the strong pitching by retiring the first 11 Notre Dame batters.

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Notre Dame names West new defensive backfield coach

Virginia Tech coach joins Davie's staff, replaces McMahon

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The Notre Dame football team welcomed another addition to its depleted coaching staff yesterday when it named Virginia Tech's Lou West to replace Tom McMahon as defensive backfield coach.

West has strong ties with the West Coast and also was a graduate assistant alongside head coach Bob Davie at Arizona in 1977.

While at Virginia Tech, West coached one of the nation's finest secondaries. In 1998, the Hokies ranked fourth in the nation in scoring defense and 11th in pass-efficiency defense on their way to a 9-3 record. They ended the year ranked 19th in the Associated Press poll and 23rd in the USA Today/ESPN poll.

He has coached some star players in his career, including two first-team all-Big East selections from last year, cornerback Laren Johnson and safety Pierson Prideaux. While at the University of Cincinnati (his alma mater) in 1993, he coached defensive backs Chris Hewitt and Sam Garns who were starters in the NFL in '98 with the New Orleans Saints and New York Giants, respectively.

West takes over for McMahon, who after four years at ND will become the New Orleans Saints and New York Giants, respectively.

Taking the job did not come without thought, according to West. "It was a tough decision. The people there at Virginia Tech were very good to me. I enjoyed working with the staff. The administrative people, the fans, the boosters and the alumni all treated you well. It was tough to leave. I had some good times there as far as the program winning and getting along with people in the community."

Despite missing the atmosphere at Virginia Tech, West is excited to begin his new job and reestablish the opportunity to coach at a quality University.

"I'm excited about being here," said West, a 45-year-old native of Pennsylvania. "I look forward to working with not only the football staff, but the people in the athletic department as well. I think it's a great opportunity. I think it's a goal of mine to coach at the best institutions that I can and Notre Dame is certainly one of those institutions."