Student Activities cracks down on illegal postings

By FINN PRESSLY
Assistant News Editor

The office of Student Activities recently prohibited the Progressive Student Alliance (PSA) from posting advertisements on campus, raising questions about the University's policy on posted advertisements.

"We’re suspended because our posters were posted at places other than University-approved bulletin boards," said PSA member Matthew Orr. "Anyone who walks through O’Shaughnessy can see that that’s illegal."

"Some members of the PSA posted stuff on the lamp posts outside, which is illegal," said Orr. "After that, we made it a point to only post posters where there were other posters."

Despite these precautions, the PSA was suspended from posting advertisements through the end of the semester, the standard punishment levied by Student Affairs after a second violation.

For the PSA, which has often relied on posters and flyers for advertisement, the suspension will be difficult to overcome.

"Basically, we can’t advertise any of our events," said Orr. "After receiving its suspension, the PSA quickly appealed the decision."

We appealed to Student Activities, and they said no," Orr explained. "The people you appeal to are the same people who are fighting you, so it’s a circular system."

The PSA was also informed that it was among three other groups that were suspended, though officials at Student Activities and the Club Coordination Council refused to release the names of the other organizations.

"We’ve kind of planned this with the other associations," said Cassidy. "We want to appeal to the managers of each building to report offenders to Student Activities, Cassidy explained. After their first violation, organizations are issued a warning, followed by a suspension upon their second violation.

"Some student groups complain that enforcement is arbitrary, and, yeah, it is," said Cassidy. "Enforcement comes out of whoever manages the facility."

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Construction Beat
Renovation closes Stepan courts

By TIM LOGAN
News Editor

The installation of two water pipes under St. Joseph’s Drive will close the Stepan basketball courts until early April, affecting the opening rounds of Bookstore Basketball and closing the street for several days. Construction, which began before spring break, is tentatively scheduled for completion April 9, according to James Lyphout, associate vice president for Business Operations. In the meantime, the Stepan courts will be home to large piles of dirt displaced by the digging. The Bookstore event begins April 4.

"We’ve kind of planned around it," said Brendan Poe, Bookstore basketball commissioner. "Hopefully it’ll be done fairly in the tournament, and we won’t have to worry about it."

Lyphout expressed hope that the annual Notre Dame sporting tradition will not be adversely affected by the construction.

"We hope that most, if not all, of Bookstore Basketball will be held on that site," he said.

While the digging should be done by April 9, several courts will need to be resurfaced. The timing of that will depend on when the asphalt plant opens. The plant cannot open until the weather warms up, which Lyphout said should happen in time for Bookstore Basketball. "I think we’ll be able to get it closed up and ready," he said. "We hope we can get it open in time."

Bookstore officials will schedule games earlier in the day and later at night at other sites in order to accommodate the renovation.

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Alumni to elect new reps

By ANNE MARIE MATTINGLY
Assistant News Editor

The Notre Dame Alumni Association is urging seniors, third-year law students and graduating graduate students to vote by Wednesday in its annual membership elections, according to Chuck Lennon, executive director of the Association.

"Students are given this opportunity to take part in the election of individuals who will soon be their representatives on the alumni board," said Mary Pat Downing, editor of Alumni Publications, in a written statement to The Observer. "Six of the 18 regional seats and one of the three at-large seats are up for election this year."

The students who received ballots are asked to vote for one candidate from each of the regions up for election, according to Downing. She continued, "Alumni throughout the country do the same, regardless of which is their region of residence."

Lennon explained the advantages of the election system.

"We invent a lot of time, effort and money to have a national election. Many associations have appointed members," he said. "Our University is a worldwide organization. We recruit young men and women on an international basis and we would like to be professional."

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crime and punishment

Tomorrow, at 12:01 a.m., the state of Illinois is scheduled to resume a belated crime. Tomorrow, Anthony Porter, a convicted murderer, will be executed.

Since the death penalty was "reinstated" in the United States in 1976, all but one of Illinois' 16 executions have involved a death sentence in which Porter figured.

Many of those releases have been in the headlines lately. Rolando Cruz, wrongly convicted of murdering Jennifer Nettles, was set free. Seven DuPage County officials now face felony charges for framing Cruz.

Anthony Porter was a Northwestern journalism professor David Protess and his students did some sleuthing. Porter was in the murder for which he was sent to Death Row. He had his own confession; a confession he later recanted, claiming police beat him out of him. Porter, however, has also been given other, lesser sentences for other murders he committed.

Many say "first world" no longer has the Death Penalty. The "abolitionist" club includes Germany, France, Italy, Ireland, Poland, Argentina, Brazil, Colombia, Haiti, the Vatican — some 63 countries in all, with 41 more that have either ruled out the penalty but either reserve it for war crimes (Canada, the United Kingdom) or haven't used it in 10 years or more. At least 98 countries have abolished it.

The data are scrappy against the death penalty — many good ones. Some argue that it is rarely, if ever, executed. Black men convicted of murdering whites are more likely to be sent to Death Row than others.

Others say that many of those convicted and sent to Death Row have incompetent counsel. And some argue that the marginal costs of executing a convict far exceed the cost of keeping them in prison.

And some say that the chance of putting an innocent man to death is too great — Anthony Porter came within 49 hours of execution.

But the best argument against the death penalty is by far the most powerful: that the state's right to destroy a human being is more than the rights of a sports venue to a corporate sponsor and reap financial benefits. "I think that marketing opportunities now days are an important part of college athletics," said Wisconsin University athletic director Barry Broad. "What we've got at Oregon State is a financial situation that requires some unique approaches — unique approaches to how we solve them." And at other schools, that has meant raising naming rights. Arizona State, a fellow Pac-10 school, recently sold the naming rights for its University Activity Center in Wells Fargo bank. ASU received a $5 million gift from the bank last July. In exchange, the 25-year-old basketball venue became the Wells Fargo Arena.

The view expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.
BCAC to honor Peters' memory with artistic tribute

The presentation will begin with master of ceremonies Rodney Hamilton, assistant dean of the College of Arts and Letters, giving his personal reflections beginning at 7 p.m. in Washington Hall.

Special tributes by fellow associates, students and friends will follow, with readings of some of Peters' work. A photo montage of Peters will be presented while Father Clay Evans and the AARC Mass Choir will perform the recessional music, "I've Got A Testimony.

"We Give You Thanks" will be performed by Sounds of Blackness during the intermission. Chandra Johnson, assistant to the vice president and the event's mistress of ceremonies, along with Kimberly Flint-Buchanan, assistant dean of the College of Arts and Letters, will make a special presentation to April Langley, an English graduate student, on behalf of the family of Peters.

Following this will be the presentation by Webster and a presentation of "Beyond The Veil" by Daryl Coley and an original song by lyricist Diane Buchanan.

George Moss, special assistant to the vice president for Student Affairs, will provide the closing comments. Beth Clark, freshman BCAC member and Dameyon Harrison, senior BCAC secretary, will provide special acknowledgements and announcements.

Following the presentation, the BCAC will be holding a reception in the Office of Multicultural Student Affairs until 11 p.m. on the second floor of LaFortune Student Center.

Boeing cuts thousands of jobs setting payroll record

Boeing Co. said Monday it will be able to cut 6,700 more jobs than expected, thanks to lower labor costs and other efficiencies in its commercial airplane division.

The additional job cuts will mean that total job reductions by the end of the year will be at the high end of a range of 28,000 to 38,000 that the company announced earlier, Boeing said.

"They began to make a turn in the fourth quarter last year and have continued to make improvements in production," Boeing spokesman Peter Conte said. "As you get better, and more efficient, you need less people to do the job." While there will be layoffs, about half of the job cuts will come through attrition, he said.

Boeing's profits and its stock price have been severely depressed during most of the past two years, the result of production line snarls, parts shortages and late aircraft deliveries.

The troubles began as Boeing was cranking up assembly lines to record production rates, and asking workers to perform vast amounts of overtime.

More recent sales have slackened due partly to recessions in Asia and other markets and Boeing plans to reduce its production rates over the next two years.

It announced late last year it would reduce employment from its mid-1998 peak of 238,400 down to between 185,000 to 195,000 by the end of 2000.

The Puget Sound area, where the majority of Boeing jetliners are assembled, will bear the brunt of the layoffs. Machinists union officials say the new job cuts are uncalled for. The union, which represents Boeing production workers in Seattle and Wichita, Kan., negotiated a new contract with Boeing last year.

**CLARIFICATION**

The Observer reported in the Wednesday, March 3 edition that the Graduate Student Union Council will hold a forum to discuss a resolution concerning the Board of Trustees decision not to add sexual orientation to the University's non-discrimination statement. The council did pass the resolution and has planned the forum just to discuss the matter.
Alumni continued from page 1 represented in the same way.

The ballots contain biographies and statements from all candidates to help familiarize voters with graduates running for board membership to encourage alumni to participate in the election, explained Dowling. Despite these efforts, Lennon said that younger alumni are less likely to vote than their older counterparts.

"We're looking for a way to make it better. We've been tracking voters by class year for three years," he said, explaining that the Association uses color-coded ballots as one way to gauge the number of alumni in different age groups who are voting.

Lennon emphasized that graduates should vote because the elected representatives determine the policies of the Association.

The alumni board (members are the policy makers of the Association," he said, noting that the club coordinates alumni affairs in the areas of continuing education, community service, alumni clubs, student relations and administration.

Dowling noted that University president Father Edward Malloy met with the board during each of its three annual gatherings last year to determine alumni opinions on a possible membership in the Big Ten.

According to Lennon, voting is easy and quick.

"It only takes seven check marks and we pay the postage," he said. "There's no reason not to read it and vote."

He also highlighted the duties of at-large board members, who must be young alumni.

'Their job and responsibility is to represent the views of the young alumni," Lennon said, noting that the University considers those who have graduated within the past ten years as recent alumni. He explained that these graduates are represented by at-large members rather than regional or class-age, because many are not settled in one area, but instead are moving around and may attend law, graduate or medical schools.

"We basically serve as a liaison between young alumni and the Alumni Association and facilitate communication between alumni and their clubs," said Julie Epping, a 1993 alumna who is a current at-large member of the board.

"We have our own committee; we share ideas and come up with ways to involve young alumni," Epping cited the committee's work on creating a Web site for recent graduates and efforts to encourage local alumni clubs to utilize e-mail to contact young alumni.

Lennon explained that eligible voters include students graduating in the year of the election and all alumni who made financial donations to the University during the two calendar years prior to the election, this year's voters are only those who gave during 1997, he explained, because records on 1998 donations are not yet available.

Approximately 10 percent of the 50,000 eligible alumni vote each year, said Lennon. Elected members serve for three years and may only serve one term.

Epping believes that this year's graduates should be concerned about who is elected to the at-large positions because of their emphasis on the needs of young alumni.

"Young alumni should vote for the at-large members especially to get someone in there when they think will represent their interests," she said.

Stepan continued from page 1 decreased number of courts. Poe experts that only two will be unusable and that the tournament will still run smoothly.

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The following alumni are candidates in the upcoming Alumni Board election:

Region 1 (MO, IL): Mark Steelman '52 and Jo Anne Whiteman '71
Region 2 (CO, MT, NM, SD, UT, WY and Calgary, Alberta): Cecilia Seren '83 and John Studtaker '62
Region 3 (IA, KS, MO, NE): Bernard Danks '59 and Paul Drey '89, '92 JD
Region 11 (ME, MA, NH, Southern CT, RI and VT): Susan Burke '87 MBA and John Gleason III '65
Region 12 (DC, DE, Eastern PA, MD, VA): Dennis Dunleavy '79 and Sean O'Brien '86
Region 15 (CA, NC, SC,): Pete Campbell '51 and Thomas Cremer '58
Region 17 (FL, Puerto Rico): William Kelley Macke '70 and Carol Ann Breyer '68 MA

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**Ecuador**

**Angry taxi drivers blocked streets to protest gas price increases.**

Ecuadorian soldiers stand by several taxis blocking one of the access roads leading to Quito, the Ecuadorian capital, on Monday. Hundreds of thousands of taxi drivers paralyzed Ecuador's major cities in protest of a nearly 200 percent increase in fuel prices.

**Ecuador cab drivers protest price hike**

Associated Press

**ANGRY TAXI**

**EU executive commission quits**

**The nation's currency, the sucro, had lost one-quarter of its value in a week and the government has been forced to take over several of Ecuador's 39 banks, whose capital the currency rallied Monday, rising to 9,500 sucros against the dollar, much stronger than the 12,600 sucros it closed at 10 days ago.**

**The austerity measures decreed by Mahuad have doubled gasoline prices and partially frozen bank accounts for one year. The president also proposed tax increases, cuts to the bloated bureaucracy and faster privatization of state enterprises.**

**Prices have risen sharply in street markets and supermarkets. The prices of many vegetables have doubled, and the cost of cooking oil and sugar has risen by about 40 percent.**

**Powerful leftist-led unions, students and Indian groups have called for street protests and bank occupations Wednesday to demand the return of the taxi barricades.**

**We can't live anymore. The government wants to kill us,** said taxi driver Francisco Delgado.

**Government officials met with leaders of the taxi protest but failed to define the confrontations,** government spokesman Jaime杜兰 said.

**It's been a hard strike by the taxi drivers, but we're going to continue meeting with their leaders to reach a solution,** Duran told reporters.

**The austerity measures are drastic, but they should have been done years ago. The delay due to weak governments has only made the suffering worse,** said Maria Alvarez, who sells video cassettes in a Quito street market.

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**To protect the banks, Mahuad announced Thursday that all dollar savings accounts and half of dollar checking accounts would be frozen for a year.**

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**Market Watch: 3/15**

**BRUSSELS**

The entire European Union Executive Commission resigned Tuesday after a panel of experts issued a scathing report on cronyism and financial irregularities at the top of the executive branch.

"All the commissioners have resigned. We will prepare a statement for the explanation of the reasons for our resignation," EU Agriculture Commissioner Franz Fischer told reporters after an emergency session of the European Commission.

Fischer added a report, issued Monday, citing several of the 20 European Commissioners for cronyism and financial irregularities in aid and other programs had created a climate in which the EU executive could not remain in office.

"It is better than to continue in such uncertainty," the commission is the powerful body that runs the day-to-day affairs of the 15-nation trade group, drafts laws and enforces their implementation. It also represents the EU in international trade negotiations.

Shortly afterwards, European Commission President Jacques Santer also announced the mass resignations.

Santer planned to meet later Tuesday with Jose-Maria Gil Robles, the president of the European Parliament, which instigated the fraud inquiry.

Officials said no other details would be announced until then.

The resignation of the entire EU executive branch was the first in the history of the 42-year-old European Union.

The resignation of all 20 commissioners was sparked by a 140-page report by five independent experts that detailed cronyism and financial irregularities at the top of the EU executive branch.

It cited several for lax control over aid and other programs for which they are responsible, for putting friends and relatives on their payroll and pleading ignorance when asked why they did not act sooner to stop waste and fraud.
Gambler faces fine, prison for bribery
Associated Press

PHOENIX A gambler who put up some of the money and helped fix a basketball game in a point-shaving scheme pleaded guilty yesterday to a charge of conspiracy to commit sports bribery, prosecution said.

Vincent Basso of Buffalo Grove, Ill., will face a maximum prison term of five years and a possible $250,000 fine when sentenced on May 24, the U.S. attorney for Arizona said.

José de Jesús Rivera also said Basso, who was indicted in January on charges of sports bribery, interstate travel in aid of racketeering and money laundering, agreed to forfeit $27,000 as proceeds from illegal activity.

Basso admitted he worked with Joe Gagliano in Las Vegas to arrange that Stevin Smith, Burton, Gagliano, a Phoenix investment adviser; and Anthony Joseph Frank, were awaiting sentencing.

Basso then helped bet $150,000 on the game, putting up $30,000 himself and agreeing to contribute $110,000 to help pay Smith.

Basso did much the same thing with about the same amounts of money for a March 1994 Arizona State game with Washington, but Smith didn't protect the point spread and the gamblers lost their $145,000 wager, Rivera said.

Benny Silman, the alleged mastermind of the original scheme, is serving a 46-month sentence for getting Smith and ASU guard Isaac Burton to shave points in certain games, but the team wouldn't beat the point spread.

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The Department of Art, Art History and Design is pleased to announce its annual competition for the Riley Prize in Art History & Criticism. Current Notre Dame undergraduate and graduate students are invited to submit essays on any topic in the history of art or art criticism for consideration in the competition. Essays must deal with the visual arts. They may have been written in conjunction with a course taken at the University, but need not have been.

Rules governing the competition are available from the Department Office. Two copies of the submission must be delivered to the Art Department Office, 132 O'Shaughnessy Hall, by 5:00 PM, Monday, March 22, to be eligible. Prizes up to $300 will be awarded. A student may only submit ONE entry.

T.A. DeBartolo are notoriously difficult to root out of South Bend, especially when it comes to the only legal place to post information.

"O'Shaughnessy Hall is, in my eyes, essentially enhanced by the array of Where One has no sense of intellectual vibrancy," said Mark Schlepp, dean of the College of Arts and Letters.

"I'm certainly of favor of a campus with multiple opportunities to advertise intellectual events. I find LaFortune to have insufficient space for that purpose," said DeBartolo to be similarly lacking," said Roche.

"I've made a request that DeBartolo have more bulletin boards, so that it looks more of a locus of intellectual learning," said Cassidy.

"Several concerns have been voiced about DeBartolo," said Cassidy, "The student Senate addressed this issue back in the first semester. Students need to have the opportunity to put up posters. Things like that catch your eye when you're in the classroom building. We want to make sure students have the opportunity to advertise their functions." Following the Senate resolution, more bulletin boards were installed in DeBartolo, signaling a trend for future expansion of advertising space, Cesaro explained.

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The CIA named a retired admiral on Monday to review its own damage assessment into how much nuclear weapons technology, if any, was lost to China through a suspected spy working at the Los Alamos, N.M., National Laboratory.

The appointment of retired Admiral David Jeremiah appeared aimed at adding an air of independence to an inquiry buffeted by partisan politics. Republicans have accused the Clinton administration of acting too slowly when the potential espionage problem emerged.

CIA Director George Tenet briefed the Senate Intelligence Committee on the ongoing inquiry, and afterward the top Republican and Democrat on the committee agreed that additional security changes need to be made at the nation’s weapons laboratories.

Committee chairman Richard Shelby, R-Ala., said the administration should consider a moratorium on scientific exchanges in which foreign scientists visit the national laboratories and U.S. scientists from the labs go overseas. “This is perhaps just the tip of an iceberg. We need security at our national labs. . . . It has been too loose, too long, and it’s too important,” Shelby said.

Sen. Bob Kerrey, D-Neb., the committee’s vice chairman, cautioned that the espionage case in question involved not an exchange of scientists but a potential breach by a single employee. But he agreed that security at the labs must be revamped. “It’s obvious that considerably more needs to be done,” Kerrey said. “This is something that is potentially a very serious situation that has damaged the security of the United States of America considerably.”

Tenet said Jeremiah will provide an independent review of the work being done now by a multinational intelligence team. It is the second such assessment Jeremiah has been asked to do. Last year, a study led by Jeremiah identified problems that contributed to the intelligence community’s failure to adequately warn of nuclear testing by India.

“Admiral Jeremiah is the perfect person to lead such a review,” Tenet said. “His credentials are impeccable and his credibility is unquestioned.”

Jeremiah’s panel of outside experts will examine work begun in mid-February within the intelligence community about whether a Taiwanese-born computer scientist, Wen Ho Lee, was fired from his job at Los Alamos a week ago amid suspicions that he leaked secrets to the Chinese in the 1980s. Lee has not been charged with any crime, and Newsweek magazine said the FBI now believes it has virtually no chance of making a case against him.
Hardcover popularity threatens survival of paperbacks

ASSOCIATED PRESS

New York

Could the take-for-granted paperback mystery or romance book, bought cheap at a drugstore, pulled out on the train and stuck thoughtlessly in a coat pocket, be going the way of the vinyl LP?

Sales of mass-market paperbacks—long a staple at newsstands, supermarkets and airport shops—are sliding, under pressure from discounters and the growing appeal of more literary, more expensive trade paperbacks usually sold in bookstores.

As prices of the mass-market books have inched toward the $8 mark, sales slipped 7.8 percent from 1996 to 1997, according to a report by Veronis, Subler and Associates, an investment bank specializing in media companies.

"The 35-cent paperback is now $7.99... which is not that far away from what a trade paperback costs," said Richard Howarth, president of the American Booksellers Association. "Mass-market publishers may be printing themselves out of the market."

Mass-market paperbacks, many of them popular fiction, romance and mystery titles, are smaller and lighter than trade paperbacks.

Since Pocket Books sold the first modern mass-market books for a quarter just before World War II, compactness and affordability have been their primary appeal.

"Take it on a plane, take it on a train, take it to the beach," said Jim Milliot, the business and news editor at Publishers Weekly.

But for consumers shelling out more money than ever for books, flimsy may no longer be an advantage. And with chain bookstores heavily discounting best-selling hardcovers, many readers may decide not to wait the year or so it takes for a book to come out in paperback.

Some experts even suggest that aging baby boomers want books with larger typefaces.

Adding to their troubles, mass-market paperbacks can't seem to get any respect in chain bookstores, which command a major slice of the book market, several publishing analysts said.

Unlike the smaller chain outlets that were once common in shopping malls, superstores like Barnes & Noble and Borders Books & Music focus most of their promotional muscle on new titles, often letting backlist mass-market books fend for themselves, Milliot said.

"Mass-market never gets any flashy treatment at the supermarkets," he explained. "They'll never even say, 'The new [John] Grisham paperback is in.' You just have to go and find it."

Mass-market paperbacks accounted for 39 percent of all book sales in 1993, but fell to 36 percent in 1997, according to the Book Industry Study Group, a publishing trade association.

Even so, many publishers emphasized that mass-market paperbacks were still important.

"Despite some of the doomsayers, hundreds of thousands of mass-market paperbacks are sold in this country every day," said Stuart Applebaum, a spokesman for Random House Inc.

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home at the end of Monday's

whitewater
testimony that prosecutors
want to play "perhaps 30 min-
utes" of the first lady's testi-
mony, as early as Tuesday.

McDougal's lawyer, Mark
Geragos, was expected to
object at a hearing Tuesday
morning before the trial
resumes.

In a court filing prepared by
prosecutors and obtained by

The Associated Press, Starr's
office sug-
ge t s t hat Clinton's tes-
imony makes it even more vital
for

McDougal to
cooperate
with the criminal investiga-
tion.

The prosecutors' court
papers say "the videotape will
show that the first lady testi-
fied that she had no knowl-
edge or information about either" a $27,680 loan made in
Bill Clinton's name or a
$3,081.82 check signed by
McDougal and used to pay off
part of the Clinton loan. The
AP obtained the papers, which
had not been filed with the
court as of the close of busi-
ness Monday, from a person
familiar with the case.

The prosecutors say "the
videotape ... will establish ...
the importance of questions
posed to, and answered by, the
first lady and prepared for

McDougal's testimony."

The defense opened the door
to prosecutors to present
Clinton's testimony when
Geragos questioned FBI agent
Mike Patkus, who works for

Frontenac McPherson.

McDougal, with Patkus still on the
witness stand, went through
the testimony the agent had
given last week.

Then, Myers referred to
Clinton's testimony and at that
time Geragos asked for meet-
ing with U.S. District Judge
George Howard.

Clinton gave the videotaped
Testimony at the White House
and it was played several days
later to the Whitewater grand
jury in Little Rock.

Amtrak train derails

Associated Press

BOURBONNAIS, III.

An Amtrak train carrying
between 200 and 400 pas-
ger cars derailed after hitting a
truck south of Chicago Monday
night, officials said.

A witness to the accident told
WBBM-AM that she could see
flames inside several of the
victims had been brought to
nearby Kankakee said seven

Riverside Medical Center in
nearby Kankakee said seven

Injured people were brought
in the hospital, including one
person with an amputated foot
and another with head

The train, known as City of
New Orleans, runs between
Chicago and New Orleans. It
derailed about 50 miles south
of Chicago at about 9:40 p.m.

A police dispatcher said.
Men’s Fencing: Notre Dame’s Most Winning Sport

Some may think that football should have claim to the title of Notre Dame’s most winning sport. Wrong. Not even close.

Notre Dame’s most winning team once won 122 matches in a row. They have won more than any other of their matches over the past 63 seasons. They have finished in the Top 10 of the NCAA tournament every single year since 1975. During the past 25 years, they have finished first.

Cappy Gagnon

second or third an amazing 17 times. They won national championships in 1972, 1975, 1986 and 1994. With a little luck, they will win their fifth national championship this weekend. They have had 10 graduating classes in a row.

Notre Dame’s most winning sport is men’s fencing.

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During the past 24 years, the Stabbing Irish have been unbeaten.

The sport of fencing was first seen on the campus in 1907 when Pedro de Landero enrolled in the class of 1911. De Landero practiced in the “Rec” room at Washington Hall and at Saint Mary’s, but nothing more came of the sport at that time.

After graduation, de Landero returned to his native Mexico to put his civil engineering degree to work. He continued his fencing studies, specializing in the saber, under top fencing masters around the world. De Landero returned to Notre Dame in 1926, as a professor of Spanish. Popular among his colleagues, the witty de Landero was elected president of the Faculty Club a few years later.

In 1933, sparking some student interest. During that time, the best tennis players on the campus was a tall, young, accounting student named Ned Joyce. Three decades later, the Reverend Edmund P. Joyce, as executive director of Notre Dame’s Alumni Association, supervised the building of the Athletic and Convocation Center. The AC/Convocation Center has been named Notre Dame’s “home court” for fencing ever since.

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Are all God's children, entitled to equal access to all the free-orientation. All University policies, practices, and procedures therefore extend our non-discrimination policy to include sexual status. In addition, based on our Catholic values and tradition, color, sex, national origin, religion, age, disability, or veteran rate anyone from our University family. To state the obvious, we was recently discovered atop a pile of burning tires in Alabama. Crimes that are now on the increase: The body of a gay man club, or advertise in campus publications, why should anybody done so without controversy and with no change in the Catholicity of their schools.

Moreover, many of our Notre Dame Trustees presume over being往外 who has declined in writing their corporate promise not to discriminate because of sexual orientation. Notre Dame should do no less. While it is certainly true that no one at Notre Dame harbors any ill toward homosexual people, our University must take responsibility for the environment which this action creates. If Notre Dame refuses even to allow gay students to meet, form a club, or advertise in campus publications, why should anybody respect gay people? Putting it in a more painful way, Notre Dame cannot mourn the death of Wyoming's Matthew Shepard (who was tied to a fence and beaten to death because he was gay) and at the same time refuse to grant gay donors access to all the rights and privileges of membership in our remarkable world-wide family. Notre Dame's bias treatment of gays unintentionally nourishes homophobia, makes it easier for Senator Trent Lott to link gayness to kleptomania, and opens the door to the kind of hate crimes that are now on the increase. The body of a gay man was recently discovered atop a pile of burning tires in Alabama.

St. Louis University, in writing its non-discrimination clause as a commitment that is mandated by at least two nation-wide val- ues and beliefs: "St. Louis University prohibits discrimination based on race, color, sex, national origin, religion, age, disability, or veteran status. In addition, based on our Catholic values and tradition, we are committed to protecting the dignity of each person and therefore extend our non-discrimination policy to include sexual orientation. All University policies, practices, and procedures are administered in a manner consistent with our Catholic Jesuit identity.

Please join me and the thousands of other Irish faithful who look for our Alma Mater to go on record pledging never to separate anyone from our University family. To state the obvious, we are all God's children, entitled to equal access to all the free and all the joys of full participation in the life of the University of Our Lady, Notre Dame.

Phil Donahue ’57
March 12, 1999

Ashe Off the Mark in Affirmative Action Letter

In a letter to the Editor titled "End Affirmative Action" on Feb. 18th, Leah Ashe argues that America should do away with affirmative action because "it denies opportunities to those in the majority" and "it wrongly suggests that minorities are unable to succeed without outside assistance.

Nowhere in the letter does Ms. Ashe mention why affirmative action programs are implement- ed or how they are intended to be used. Instead she cites personal examples of how her father and uncle were not immediately awarded jobs and offers an example of a hypothetical situation in which she says she would prefer to have the most physically imposing (best) rap come in her aid during a mugging as reasons for ending a program that attempts to give an opportunities to groups of people who have historically been denied these opportunities. Affirmative action programs are an outgrowth and continuation of a national effort to remedy subjugation of racial and ethnic minorities and of women. For much of this century, and as late as the late 1960s and early 1970s, Hispanic and African Americans were still segregated, for the most part, into low wage jobs. Whole industries and categories of employment were, in effect, all-white and all-male. In thousands of towns and cities police departments and fire departments remained all white and male. Thus, private and public institutions alike too often seemed imper- vious to the winds of change, remaining all-white or all-male long after court decisions or statutes formally ended discrimination.

As a result, both the courts and Republican and Democratic administrations turned to race- and gender-conscious remedies as a way to end entrenched discrimination. Remedies that were developed after periods of experimentation had showed that other means too often failed to cor- rect the problems. A quick reading of employ- ment statistics before affirmative actions will show the obvious discrimination, and even with affirmative action, minorities and women are still grossly under-represented in many employment categories. Ms. Ashe suggesting that we go back to the hiring procedures before affirmative action or does she really believe that those dis- criminatory practices no longer exist?

In the example about her father, Ms. Ashe said that in the mid-70s he was denied a position as a firefighter in Buffalo, NY, despite scoring high on an merit-based, objective employment test. He placed 36th out of thousands of applicants, but some minority who had the 300th best score out of thousands got the job. Now 300 out of 2000 is 15 percent, and she said that there were thou- sands of applicants which means the 300th ranked person has an even better position. No, 300 is not better than the 36th best score, but do we really know how close the 36th score is to the 300th when there are thousands of applicants?

Affirmative action was intended to help quali- fied minorities. So, the question now becomes how we define qualified. In the case of a police officer or firefighter, we need to know whether or not that person can fulfill the duties and obliga- tions of the position. Either you are qualified to do the job or you're not. Once those qualified applicants are found, then further criteria should be considered to distinguish them. If the history and the make-up of that force is mostly white then yes, a minority candidate should be more strongly considered. I don't know the racial histo- ry of the police and firefighter forces in Buffalo, but I don't think I would be reaching if I said that it is disproportionately white and male. When police shoot an unarmed black man 41 times in NY and open fire on a teenage girl in California, we definitely need to ensure that these police forces open up opportunities to minorities. When black motorists are disproportionately stopped and checked on our highways, then there is something stereotypically about the thinking and policies of our current police forces. Where, it takes longer for police to respond to certain neighborhoods...

I know Leah Ashe from a freshman engineering class for which I was a TA, and I remember her as being bright, energetic, prepared and curious. The class was far more rewarding to have Leah in it. I am a black American graduate student, and I don't doubt that I am here because Notre Dame made a conscious effort to admit a quali- fied black student into their graduate program. For this I am grateful. I am not concerned whether people think I was admitted solely on race or not, and I would much rather that people worried about how I got in than deal with the frustration of not being admitted to a place for which I am qualified. I'm not sure how many other minority TA's or professors that Ms. Ashe has had I do know that there was not one black student out of the 50 in my class, but if Notre Dame had admitted another white graduate stu- dent in my place, then there would be no African American graduate students in the computer sci- ence department here, and I would have never had the pleasure of being Leah's TA.

Race should not be the primary factor when considering employment or college admissions, but rather a consideration, just like test scores and extra-curricular activities.

Juana Butler
Graduate Student
March 4, 1999

Did Spring Break drain your bank account? Edit for Viewpoint and fill it up. 1-5303.
Go Irish, Celebrate St. Patrick's Day Tomorrow!

By JULIA GILLESPIE

The feast day of Saint Patrick is traditional­ly associated with hope, joy and their off­spring. Historically, "As the sturgeon or salmon swims exactly in midstream, so does St. Patrick's Day fall exactly in mid-spring." Though the holiday of St. Patrick's Day originated as a feast day for the patron saint of Ireland, it has evolved into a holiday for people of all religions and ethnic backgrounds to unite and celebrate as one.

Students at Notre Dame look forward to this as an opportunity to share good times with friends and classmates shortly after spring break. Campus clubs organize activities to commemorate this feast day, while other students plan parties to share the spirit of the holiday.

Many students drink green beverages in recognition of St. Patrick. Fortunately, St. Patrick did not disapprove of drinking these beverages. Although he frowned on excess, he had a brewery in his own home. St. Bridget was also noted for the excellence of her beverages.

Other traditions associated with St. Patrick include the wearing of green ribbons and shamrocks. St. Patrick's Day is observed quite differently in Ireland than in America. The Irish observe the holiday in such a way that all of the children are in attendance. Voices echo the countryside singing "Hail Glorious St. Patrick."

The words include, "All praise to St. Patrick/Who brought to our mountains/The gift of God's faith/The sweet light of his love!"

Irish families traditionally celebrate the holiday with the man of the household blessing his wife and children while he makes the sign of the cross with a charred stick.

Parades also commemorate the greatness of St. Patrick in Ireland just as they do in America. In fact, Irish-Americans may have been the founders of this tradition in the United States.

Some argue that the earliest St. Patrick's Day in Ireland was over 150 years ago. Men wore green, bore shamrocks and marched to the beat of a drum. The Irish-Catholic Temperance Society was well represented at the earlier parades, but their presence faded in later years.

Today, families still march together with their small children. They rejoice in their land and the history of their people. Some families march with their family crest to display their pride. Politicians of different ethnic and religious backgrounds march in St. Patrick's Day parades (think Boston) to gain civic recognition.

Other cities, such as Chicago, display their spirit on St. Patrick's Day by dying their rivers green. St. Patrick's Day also recognizes the achievements of the man, St. Patrick. He allegedly sent his pastoral staff on a pilgrimage from Germany to Rome. They stopped at a house on an island in the Tyrrhenian Sea during this journey where a married couple with aged children and grandchildren resided.

Jesus supposedly blessed St. Patrick's followers with his staff and graced them with the gift of God's faith. The sweet light of his love!"  Irish families traditionally celebrate the holiday with the man of the household blessing his wife and children while he makes the sign of the cross with a charmed stick.

Celebrate St. Patrick's Day Tomorrow!

Eat it! St. Patrick's Day is like any other day — people must eat to stay healthy. But since it is a special holiday, why not eat some special food? Try this recipe for Corned Beef and Cabbage Casserole:

Ingredients:
2 cups mashed potatoes
1/4 cup chopped fresh parsley
2 cups finely chopped cabbage
1-1/2 cups finely chopped cooked corned beef
2 cup shredded pasteurized process cheese food
1/2 cup shredded carrot
1/4 cup chopped onion
1 teaspoon caraway seed (optional)

Directions:
Mix potatoes and parsley; spoon into two-quart casserole
Mix remaining ingredients; spoon over potato mixture
Bake at 350°F for 35 to 40 minutes or until thoroughly heated.

Microwave Directions:
Mix potatoes and parsley; spoon into two-quart microwavable casserole
Mix remaining ingredients; spoon over potatoes
Microwave on HIGH 8 to 12 minutes or until thoroughly heated

Let stand five minutes before serving. Serves six. Enjoy!

Recipe courtesy of Kraft
St. Patrick!!

As a kid, St. Patrick’s Day was about one thing, and one thing alone. This one thing infiltrated every facet of every March 17. Of course, this one thing is the color green.

Symbolically, the color green is envy. I guess I always envied those people who could get into the holiday so much that Christmas looked like Arbor Day II (apologize to those Arbor Day fanatics). There were the cookies, the leprechaun outfits, the parties and the shamrocks.

Okay, so maybe I didn’t envy those people. Perhaps I almost despised them. Come on! It’s just a little spring-time holiday. Why should it be so meaningful?

Wait. I know the answer. It’s the whole pinching thing. When someone is caught not wearing anything green, they are left unprotected to the great pinching punishment. To forget the green shirt on St. Patrick’s Day is to ask for pain. But it’s not just a physical pain. It’s emotional as well.

I remember when I was in elementary school. It was a beautiful day, and my mum woke me up to get ready for school and eat breakfast. It seemed like an ordinary day. Unfortunately, I kept thinking it was an ordinary day.

So I went to school — with my black backpack, blue jeans, white basketball shoes, white socks, black hair, brown skin, brown eyes, clear fingernails, white undershirt and gray t-shirt. I walked around the playground with my usual dreary face, even though I thought it was going to be a pretty good day.

But things seemed immediately different. The playground was nothing but a sea of green little brats running around. I thought I was lost in a big bucket of green stuff. I didn’t know what kind of green stuff — just that it was green and it was stuff.

I was scared. I realized why that green stuff was there. It was St. Patrick’s Day.

So all of my supposed friends attacked me. I was pinched all over. I was pinched in places where one would never want to be pinched. It hurt a lot. It hurt way too much.

It didn’t really kill me, as the title to this column implies. But it did affect my outlook on life. No longer do I go outside of my room or house without green on my body. In case you were curious, I even got a tattoo of a shamrock in one of those places where I shouldn’t have been pinched. Isn’t that cool?

So beware tomorrow. We are giving you warning now, so that you may not make a grave mistake as you dress tomorrow. Remember the green.

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A KILLER GREEN

By MICHAEL VANEGAS
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Indoor championships crown five Irish All-Americans

By KEVIN THOMPSON
Sports Writer

Students were soaking up the rays in Cancun, the Notre Dame indoor championships crown five Irish All-Americans for college students needs 6 on- ■ NBA Work Abroad Program and find out!

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Lady laxers are victorious in VA

By GENE BRTALIK
Sports Writer

By encouraging her team to use fundamental skills, Coach Tracy Coyne was able to inspire the women’s lacrosse team in two come-from-behind victories over Boston College and Richmond.

The more exciting game was against Richmond in which the Irish (12-0) needed double overtime to pull out the victory. The team jumped out to a 3-0 lead in the first half but fell behind by the score of 9-5 early in the third quarter.

The Irish responded to the adversity by slowing the game down and taking control. Last O’Shaughnessy’s fifth goal of the game and 10th of the season put Notre Dame in front by a score of 12-11 with less than 30 seconds to play. Coach Coyne stressed that the team had to win the draw, but unfortunately Richmond won the draw. Rawan down the field and patient play paid off as Carrie Marshall got the game and force overtime.

The teams traded goals in the first overtime period and moved on to the sudden death overtime. In the second overtime, the Spiders controlled the draw and worked the ball around the offensive area until pressure from Tracy O’Shaughnessy forced a Richmond player to make a bad pass that was picked up by Megan Schmitt.

Schmitt passed the ball to Marshall who started the ball down the sidelines. A Courtyard Calabrese shot went wide but Coyne picked it up. As it was checked, she passed the ball to Alissa Moser who found herself in the net and gave the Irish their first overtime victory.

Three days earlier the team traveled to Fairfax, Va., and played Boston College in the season opener. The Irish came out sluggish early into the game, falling behind by the score of 4-2. The key to the second half was that the team settled into its game and controlled the tempo.

O’Shaughnessy led the Irish with five goals, her last one putting the Irish up 10-7, while Callahan chipped in with six goals and four assists.

“This was a huge win for us,” said Coyne. “Once we got over our nervous tendencies we settled down and our defense came up big.”

According to Coyne, a main reason for the team’s success in its first two games was its participation in two preseason tournaments.

In those tournaments, teams played highly competitive mini-games. One of the perks of the William and Mary tournament is that coaches could choose who they wanted to play against, and some of those highly competitive teams were choosing to play Notre Dame in scrimmages.

The William and Mary tournament helped us focus on our games and provided a good tune-up. It also showed that other teams are starting to recognize us and are no longer taking us lightly.

Tracy Coyne
Coach

On Wednesday the team travels to Gauntt looking to celebrate St. Patrick’s Day with an Irish victory.

Golfers enjoy spring success

Kent leads men, Cooper sets pace for women over break

By GENE BRTALIK
Sports Writer

While most students relaxed during spring break, members of the Notre Dame men’s and women’s golf teams drove balls down the fairways in hopes of garnering some awards for the Irish.

Last weekend, the men’s team captured eighth place with a 299 in the Golden Eagles Invitational. The 18-team, 54-hole event was reduced to 36 holes after Sunday’s session was rained out. Notre Dame still went on to beat Rollins College by three strokes and Ohio University by one stroke.

Leading the way for the Irish was senior Willie Kent who shot a 1-over-138 to capture first place. Kent's under-par round was the first for the Irish since teammate Jeff Connell's last spring. Kent shot a 5-under-67 the first day, the best under-par round by an Irish golfer since 1963.

While Kent led the way, his teammates supported him with their solid play. Co-captains Brad Hardin and Todd Vornum shot matching 153's while Co-captain added a 157 and Steve Ratay contributed with rounds of 77 and 81 for a 158.

Kent's win at the Golden Ocala marks his second event win this school year. He tied for first at the Iowa Intercollegiate in the fall with a 5-over-216. He joins with Pat Nolan and Chris Dayton as the only golfers to finish first into two events during the same academic year.

While Kent and his teammates tore up the course, their female counterparts were in Tampa for the 23-team Northern Illinois Snowbird Intercollegiate last week. The team rebounded from a rough opening day and moved up two spots to finish in 13th place with a total of 657 — four strokes behind Kent University.

Junior Beth Cooper matched her second best 36-hole score with rounds of 76 and 83 for a total of 161. She was followed by teammates Andrea Klee (167), Mary Klein (165), Danielle Villafaroa (171) and Bene' Schloss (172).

The team also had impressive outings from Bridgit Fisher (162), Shane Smith (163) and Kristin McMurtie (167), who all participated in the tournament as individuals.

The team appeared to still be struggling after their previous efforts at the Midwest Classic where they finished 12th out of 13 teams for day one's play.

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Hockey

By TED BASSANI
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Notre Dame falls on home ice in CCIIA quarterfinals

By TED BASSANI

Sport Writer

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By MATT OLIVA
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame softball team has survived the toughest stretch of their schedule. After thirteen games in 10 days, the Irish come home with their best start in the last few years and look to build on their spring break performances.

"Overall I think we had a good trip," said head coach Liz Miller. "We played some excellent teams, and our offense was very good. Defensively we had some breakdowns and let games get away from us. Now we can come back and work on correcting those mistakes."

The Irish competed in two tournaments: The Hillenbrand Invitational held at the University of Arizona from March 5 to 7, and The National Invitational Softball Tournament in San Jose from the 12 to 14.

At the Hillenbrand Invitational, Notre Dame placed fourth with a 2-4 record. Both victories came against the University of Kansas. The first meeting was a 4-1 victory which gave sophomore pitcher Jennifer Sharron her fourth win. The Irish and the Jayhawks went to ten innings in the second meeting. Freshmen shortstop Melanie Alkire hit two homeruns to give the Irish the 6-4 victory and Sharron picked up her second win of the day.

They were unable, however, to defeat the host team. The Irish suffered two losses to second-ranked Arizona, including one in the semifinals. Their other two losses came at the hands of Texas Tech and LSU on the tourney's first day.

In San Jose, the Irish faced a little better with an overall 3-3 record. After dropping their first two games against UC-Santa Barbara and California, the Irish defeated North Carolina 2-1 Friday night. On Saturday, Sharron and senior Andrea Ressolo both fired complete-game one-hitters as the Irish defeated Northern Illinois 5-0 and North Carolina 2-0. Sharron struck-out a career high 13 batters in her victory against the Huskies. The Irish dropped their consolation game against 20th ranked Nebraska 8-0. The loss, in which the Irish managed only six hits, moved their record to 12-10 on the season. It is their best start since the 1996 team started 14-10.

Coach Miller attributes most of Notre Dame's inability to practice outside during February. Every team the Irish have faced have been practicing outside since the beginning of the season.

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Offensively, the Irish have already doubled their home-run total from a year ago. Alkire, senior captain Kris McCleary and sophomore Lizzy Lemire have begun strong offensively. Miller expects them to continue hitting the ball well.

The Irish will play five regional games before they begin the Big East season with an April 3 home opener against Pittsburgh.
Irish capture ‘classic’ victory

By BILL HART
American Sports Editor

While most students spent their spring break getting away from the daily grind, members of the Notre Dame baseball team used the week to participate in the fifth annual Irish Baseball Classic, a cornerstone series of the squad’s schedule.

Held in San Antonio, Texas, the tournament gave the team a chance to hone its skills before Big East competition. The Irish put the games to good use, winning four straight and taking the championship.

While Irish bats went on an offensive surge, pitching gave the team the decisive edge throughout the week.

In the opening 6-3 victory over Penn State on Wednesday, junior lefthander Tim Kallaita matched a tremendous show, tossing 11 innings before bushey walked before Ust delivered a hit to score the eventual game-winner.

Creighton made things interesting with a one-out, bases-loaded situation in the top of the ninth, but the Bluejays were only able to get one run across before junior righthander Drew Bushey earned his second save of the season.

When they did, "I knew Creighton was a good team," he said. "My mind went into the game was just to try to get the win and keep them close enough to rally when they did." But the Creighton win was not the offense that provided the spark, as Notre Dame pulled a come-from-behind victory against St. Mary’s (Ohiio) on Friday.

The game was scoreless through the first seven innings, but senior centerfielder Steve Dasso and junior righthander Jeff Corbin took the seventh and one in the eighth, respectively, to put the game out of reach.

Junior shortstop Brant Ust then hit a double to center field, scoring three runs. The Rattlers then hit a double to center field and four straight and taking the lead.

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Despite the one-run completion of the meet, a closer look would show that each of the three could have gone to either team. Again, the 9-8 and one hit last Saturday, the score was two batters tied at two in favor of Irish with one singles match left. Now to the doubles, which was when we had a chance to start the Big East season with a three-game series against West Virginia.

“We’ve played some pretty tough teams against some pretty tough teams. But we’ve been able to come together as a team and grow stronger. I think we’re ready,” he said.

Women’s Tennis

ND serves up set of wins over break

By WES JACOBS

The Notre Dame women’s tennis team won two of three top-ranked dual meets over spring break in San Diego, 7-2 and Kansas 8-1, and will compete against Arizona State 8-1. In the process, the Irish improved their overall record to nine wins and five losses, and upped the team’s national ranking from No. 16 to No. 14.

“We feel good about the week. We went to San Diego and Arizona and played well. The losses at Arizona and Arizona State were close,” said Irish head coach Jay Louderback.

While most students spent their spring break getting away on a three-run sixth, which included a two-run double by freshman centerfielder Steve Dasso and Hall clinching the win with an 8-5 win over Danaya Meehan and Karin Palm. The winner was No. 1 doubles. Both teams then engaged in a three-point tied at three, instead of being up 4-5-7-7, Coach Jay Linderluck.

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Freshman Retreat #23 (April 9-10) Sign-Up
Targeted Dorms: Breen-Phillips, Keough, Knott, Lyons, Pasquerilla East, Stanford, and Welsh Family

Tuesday, March 16, 7:00-8:30 pm, Badin Hall Chapel

Campus Bible Study

Friday-Saturday, March 19-20, Fatima Retreat Center

Marriage Preparation Retreat

Friday-Sunday, March 19-21, Sunset Lodge

"El Retiro" Students Retreat

Saturday, March 20, 10:30 am-5:30 pm, South Dining Hall

No Greater Love

A Notre Dame day of prayer, music, and renewal. A spirit-filled gathering for students led by Fr. Michael Baxter, C.S.C. and nationally-renowned musician Dan Consiglio. Students will also be able to choose from several breakout sessions led by dynamic speakers from around the Notre Dame community to learn more about different aspects of their faith.

Sunday, March 21, St. Joe Hall

Notre Dame Encounter Team Retreat #56

Sunday, March 21, 10:30 am, St. Augustine's Church

Rejoice! Black Catholic Mass
10 Irish fencers qualify for championships

By MIKE CONNOLLY
Associate Sports Editor

In the most pressure-packed meet to date, the Notre Dame fencers showed no signs of stress as they qualified the maximum 10 fencers for the NCAA Championships.

The women's team is represented by familiar faces as all four qualifiers were All-Americans last year. "Having the four of us fence again, knowing how we fence, is good for the team," junior epeeist Magda Krol said. "It will make up for some of the newcomers on the men's side. It is difficult for newcomers to learn the system, so our experience should make up for that." Krol and Nicole Mustilli both continued their excellent seasons for the Irish as they finished second and first respectively on the weekend.

Mustilli, the senior captain of the squad, led the team in victories with 73, coupled with only 11 losses. Her .889 winning percentage is fifth all-time for a single season. She finished her career with 230 career epee wins, good for that category's all-time second best.

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Brown had 71 victories on the year. Her 291-career full wins easily surpassed Mindi Kaloger's previous record of 248 to vault her into first place. Walsh's 45 wins and single defeat on the year gave her the nation's top-winning percentage. She raised her career winning percentage to .978, second all-time.

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"I can't even think about that now," Majerus said. "If some­body asked me to pick between heaven and hell, I'd choose heaven, but a job offer is the last thing I'm thinking about." Majerus has close ties to the Midwest. He was born in Sheboygan, Wis., and coached at Marquette University and Ball State. He has averaged 26 wins per season over the last nine years.

Other names on the list are Duke assistant Quinn Snyder, Florida coach Billy Donovan and Xavier coach Skip Prosser. Athletic director Michael Wadsworth hopes to find a coach within three weeks.

"At this time, I would hope to be able to name a successor at some point prior to the spring signing date [April 7]," Wadsworth said. "In the mean­time, I do not expect to com­ment on any aspect of the hir­ing process until such time as we are prepared to announce a new head coach."

Irish players are also eager to hear the news.

"We're pretty anxious," junior Jimmy Dillon said. "I think whichever they bring in is going to be a good coach. The list that they've put out is a very good list. I think whoever they bring in the success for him in the past will hopefully come here. Hopefully he'll adapt to us and we'll adapt to him and we can start winning some games."

Prosser has won at least 20 games in his first five seasons at Xavier and less accumulated a 118-57 record. When the New Jersey Nets fired head coach John Calipari, another name flew into the growing ring of rumored candi­dates. Calipari had quite a run at UMass before being drawn to the NBA. After struggling with the Nets, he may be ready to return to college ball.

John Paxson is another name to knock around the dining hall table. Would the former Irish and Bulls star enjoy beginning his coaching career anywhere more than his alma mater?

After this season's Cinderella run, Southwest Missouri State's Steve Alford probably be­longs to take a dive into a bigger pool.

Along with the plethora of names there are also plenty of coaching jobs available. Saint Louis University, San Diego State, Vanderbilt, Baylor and Iowa will all be looking for new coaches next year.

Regardless of the new coach's name, he will discover that MacLeod left the Irish cupboard loaded. Troym Murphy, David Graves and Harold Swangan have loads of talent and Martin Ingelsby has experience at point guard. With the addition of scoring swingman Matt Carroll, who has not wavered in his decision to come to Notre Dame, and possibly another cen­ter, the new coach will have a full deck.

Regardless of who will roam the Joyce Center sidelines next year, Notre Dame basketball has come to a cross­roads.

The time to make a move is now. A proven, good coach could take this team to the NCAA Tournament as early as the 2000-01 season, with a little luck next season.

Then fans will be talking about Notre Dame's run in the NCAA Tournament, talking about what kind of seed the Irish will get in the NCAA Tournament instead of doing the math to find out if the pos­sibility of NIT eligibility.

Notre Dame is on the verge of history.


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Folk Nominations Invited

The Reverend Paul J. Folk Award Committee invites nominees for the award, which is given annually to a library faculty member who has contributed significantly to library service to the Notre Dame com­munity or to the library profession through personal scholarship or involvement in professional associa­tions. The award is named for the Holy Cross priest who served as director of Notre Dame's library from 1912 to 1924 and was a leading figure in the library profession in the first quarter of the 20th century. It is among those announced at the President's faculty dinner in May. Previous winners have been Maureen Gleason, Deputy Director, Robert Hartwig, Engineering Librarian; Joseph Huchner, Head of Collection Development emeritus; Rafael Tamariz, Latin American Studies Librarian; Janis Johnson, Associate Director, Law Library; Charlotte Arnes, American Catholic Studies Librarian, Dwight King, Jr., Head of Research Department, Law Library, and Stephen Hayes, Business Services Librarian.

All members of the University Libraries' Law Library faculty with two or more years' service are eligible. Please send names of nominees, including a letter or other supporting documentation, to the Reverend Paul J. Folk Award Committee, c/o Professor Harvey Bender, 239 John J. Reardon, by March 26.
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Men’s basketball head coach John MacLeod resigned after eight seasons during which he posted a 106-124 record. Despite the seemingly annual, end-of-the-season rumor mill that surrounded MacLeod’s job stability, the players were still surprised when MacLeod informed them of his resignation by telephone.

“I was pretty shocked,” Jimmy Dillon said. “It’s been a rumor for so long that none of us paid any attention to it. I didn’t think anything was going to happen. He called and spoke to me. It came as a pretty big surprise.”

MacLeod’s best season came during his first with the Irish, 1991-92 Notre Dame finished 16-12 and won the National Invitational Tournament championship game. In 1996-97, MacLeod landed another stellar season when he won the Big East Coach of the Year. That year the Irish went 16-14 and advanced to the quarterfinals of the NIT.

Without a head coach, the current Irish players find themselves unsure of the direction of the program. Washburn did say that he wanted to hire a new coach before the spring-recruiting signing date of April 7.

“It’s a step down because we’re losing players,” Dillon said. “Everybody’s going to be new this year and we’re losing a lot of people.”

With three starters including the top two scorers, Troy Murphy and David Graves, the new coach will have plenty of talented players.

“I think everything is in place for Notre Dame to make a positive move,” MacLeod said. “I appreciate the opportunity work here at Notre Dame and I wish the best for the young men who are part of the program.”

Majerus heads list of potential new Irish coaches

Now the fun begins. Normally during late March Notre Dame fans are forced to talk about other school’s basketball teams. Now the hottest question around campus aside from ‘How was your break?’ is ‘Who do you think it’s going to be?’

With John Majerus’ resignation last Tuesday, new coaches’ names have popped up more than people with fresh sushis.

Utah’s Rick Majerus seems to be the most popular rumor.

WNHU-TV reported over the weekend that Majerus will be in town this week to discuss the employment possibility and that several weeks ago Majerus and Notre Dame officials had a ‘get to know you session’ over the phone.

Majerus was tight-lipped after his squad’s loss to Miami of Ohio on Sunday.