Wo: Glass ceiling still remains

By ANNE MARIE MATTINGLY
Associate News Editor

Despite great strides in the last few decades, the proverbial glass ceiling has not yet been broken, said Carolyln Woo, dean of the College of Business Administration, on Wednesday in her speech, "Women in Leadership: Is the Glass Ceiling Broken?"

"The glass ceiling is not quite shattered," she said, expressing the sentiment that women leaders in business and management often experience the inability to rise above a certain level of responsibility. "It feels very real."

Woo cited statistics claiming that within the next five years women will make up 50 percent of the workforce. At present, however, the top five positions in 21 percent of corporations are held by men, and in 15 percent of businesses, women are not part of the 12 to 15 people who comprise boards of directors, Woo said. She also said that even in comparable jobs, women do not receive equal pay.

"If you look at officers' salaries there's still a differential," she said. "It's about 68 cents to the dollar. It's getting better, but if we take a snapshot at this point in time, there's still a disparity." Woo attributed the male monopoly in some high-ranking companies to a number of factors. The first, she said, is women's style, explaining that women are perceived as supportive, empathetic, nurturing and detail-oriented.

"Women are very good in terms of follow through and detail. The perception is that women are not comfortable with conflict and confrontation," she said. "Whether it is perceived, whether it is real, this is the characterization of women."

Woo said that this perception tends to cause women to be employed in what she called staff positions rather than in line positions, which are more often held by men. Line positions include jobs such as managing sales or determining how a product will be marketed, and often require risk-taking and making hard choices. The perception of women works against them in obtaining these types of jobs, Woo said.

"There's a perception that women don't handle tough decisions as well as men," she said, describing line positions as jobs in which an employee must face numerical data on a regular basis to determine if goals are being met.

Staff positions, unlike line positions, do not require this constant accountability, explained Woo. She described these positions as support jobs and listed the fields of human resources, technical support and accounting as examples.

"Women tend to go into staff functions and when they are in leadership positions, it's in staff positions," she said. "They are further away from the heat." Different networking styles also contribute to the glass ceiling problem, said Woo.

"Women are very good at developing their internal networks," she said, explaining that women develop strong relationships with their colleagues.

The resolution did not pass.

* The Residence Life Committee confirmed that the Campus Life Council examined three of the senate's four partial revisions.

* Bill Kirk, assistant vice president for Residence Life, voted in favor of extending parietal hours and providing 24-hour space during break time.

* Various senators received awards for their work in the 1999-2000 term.

* The Big Ten committee and the non-discrimination committee were named the "Hustled Work." The left-handed desk committee was chosen as "Most Selfish," and the committee working for more hike racks earned the title of "Most Environmentally Friendly."

* On the eve of their first official day in office, the 1999-2000 student body president and vice president, Micah Murphy and Michael Palumbo, addressed the current and rising senators, praising Peter Cesaro and Andrea Selak for their hard work.

Cesaro will graduate in May while Selak, a junior, will remain active in student government as an academic deacon.

With five returning senators, the 1999-2000 senate has more experienced members than last year's group, which had only two returning senators.

Joe Cassidy will continue in his role as the Student Senate government advisor.

Teach-in demands Catholic solutions to sweatshop problems

By CHRISTINE KRALY
Assistant News Editor

Notre Dame wants to make sure its apparel is produced in a manner "consistent with the Catholic Church's teachings," said sweatshop task force chairman William Hoye at the No Sweat Teach-in Wednesday night.

According to Hoye, the University is trying to abolish sweatshop use in the manufacturing of its consumer merchandise and is "searching for the right solutions to the problem consistent with the ideals of a Catholic institution."

Several speakers offered explanations at the teach-in, sponsored by Amnesty International, University College Democrats and the Progressive Student Alliance, on how the University is dealing with the issue of sweatshops.

Father Oliver Williams, management professor and fellow of the Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies, said it is "embarrassing" that there is an ongoing debate about the labor conditions of sweatshop workers, especially concerning their living wages.

"There is absolutely no reason we can't press these companies into raising the wages," he said.

The living wage of a laborer, according to the speakers, is a wage on which a worker would be able to maintain a stable living. The difficulty in maintaining a specific living wage, said Hoye, is that the cost of living differs in various countries where Notre Dame apparel is manufactured. This can lead to problems in underpaying workers.

Notre Dame will be monitoring not only the living wages of labor workers, but also their minimum ages and safe working conditions, as a new member of the Fair Labor Association.

The group, consisting of 16 other colleges including Duke and Duke...
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**ND Folk Choir will air on ABC stations Easter morning**

*Special to The Observer*

The University Folk Choir, assembled members of the student body and the Basilica of the Sacred Heart will be featured on a television program titled "Easter at the University of Notre Dame: A Celebration of Hope" to be aired Sunday morning on ABC television affiliates nationwide. The program, originally broadcast last Easter on NBC, also will be broadcast Sunday at 4 p.m. on the national cable channel EDS. The program of sacred music for Easter is a project of the U.S. Bishops' Catholic Communication Campaign. Produced by Golden Dome Productions, the program was taped last March during morning and afternoon Easter sessions. Father Harry Schiltz of the Archdiocese of St. Paul-Minneapolis serves as the program's host and narrator.

The Easter program includes music written by the Estonian monks of Gethsemani Abbey in Kentucky, the Father customarily sung by the Folk Choir at Mass, a new setting of "Jesus Christ is Risen Today" by composer Steven Janco, a Celtic Alleluia and a variety of sacred songs from churches in Africa and Latin America.

The Folk Choir, formed in 1980 and directed by Steven Warner, associate director of Campus Ministry, provides music for the Basilica's 11:45 a.m. Sunday Mass during the school year. The choir, which includes some 55 male and female singers and woodwind, string and percussion instruments ranging from congas to an Irish bodhran, has toured in Ireland and England. The group performed for Pope John Paul II at World Youth Day in Denver.

**Student WANTED**

**Quick Cab**

**Fun in the Sun**

Students gathered on North Quad Wednesday to play frisbee and enjoy the sunshine as temperatures soared. Wednesday marked the warmest day so far this year. Temperatures are expected to reach 68 degrees on Thursday and 74 degrees on Friday.

**Conlon named editor of leading business management journal**

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Edward Conlon, the Edward Frederick Sorin Society professor of management at the Notre Dame, has been appointed editor of The Academy of Management Review, making Notre Dame home to two of the leading journals in the field.

A member of the University’s faculty since 1992, Conlon will serve as editor-elect of the journal from July 1-Dec. 31 and as editor for the following two years. Robert Vecchis, the Franklin Scharz professor of management, is the editor of the Journal of Management.

The Academy of Management Review is one of the two journals published by the Academy and ranks in the top 20 among the 343 journals of most interest to business faculty, according to the Social Science Citation Index Journal Citation Report. Its mission is to be the outlet of choice for the publication of theory in the field of management.

Conlon joined the University faculty in 1992 after previously teaching and conducting research at the University of Iowa and the Georgia Institute of Technology.

He earned a bachelor’s degree in psychology from Pennsylvania State University in 1972 and master’s and doctoral degrees in organizational behavior from Carnegie Mellon University in 1975 and 1977, respectively.

Conlon specializes in the study of organizational behavior, organizational design, decision-making and conflict management.

**O’Hare Airport security issues**

**Security Beat**

FRIDAY, MARCH 19

12:20 a.m. A Dixon Hall resident was transported to St. Joseph Medical Center for treatment of a sports injury.

6:46 p.m. A Breinig Hall resident reported the theft of her locked bike from a bike rack at Breinig Hall.

12:34 a.m. Security issued an O’Neill Hall resident to Memorial Hospital for treatment of a sports injury.

9:15 p.m. Security cited an off-campus student for disregarding a stop sign on Holy Cross Drive.

SATURDAY, MARCH 20

1:00 a.m. Security issued a University citation to an O’Neill Hall resident for minor consumption of alcohol.

3:45 a.m. Security issued four University citations to O’Neill hall residents for minor consumption of alcohol.

SUNDAY, MARCH 21

1:30 a.m. Security issued a University citation for minor consumption of alcohol to a Keenan Hall resident.

2:15 a.m. Two Keough Hall residents were issued University citations for minor consumption of alcohol.

2:34 a.m. Security issued two University citations for minor consumption of alcohol to two Notre Dame students.

Security cited a student for disorderly conduct on Holy Cross Drive.
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Harvard, was formed by the Apparel Industry Partnership. The AIP, appointed by President Clinton, regulates sweatshop conditions in the U.S. and abroad. "I don't know how the AIP will work because it hasn't really started yet," said Williams. "Let's see how it works out."

Part of the AIP's mission to end unfair labor practices includes regular inspections of factories and allowing certain workers the right to organize. The group, however, does not enforce a "living wage" for manufacturing companies.

The FLA is made up of colleges and universities and also human rights organizations and union groups, all working to abandon and unionize manufacturing companies. The group, how­ever, does not enforce a "living wage" for manufactur­ing companies.

"We find it [the FLA] to be a credible process," said Hoye, who stressed the importance of recognizing human rights groups as fellow members. One desire is for the University to voice through the FLA full disclosure of all the man­ufacturers producing Notre Dame apparel. Without this information, monitoring sweatshop labor is nearly impossible. A concern about disclosure, however, is that it could prevent students traveling abroad to manufacturing sites to do fieldwork.

To date, no known licensee has been terminated from making any garments. Notre Dame is also participating in the American Apparel Manufacturers Association, which is a group aimed at certifying com­panies within the legal confines of the government's labor laws. The University, said Hoye, was the first U.S. university to establish a code of conduct for its licensees, and may be the only school involved in both the AIP and AAMA.

Estimated costs for Notre Dame's sweatshop monitoring programs are around $75,000. "A shirt we [the University] sell for $20 probably costs us $2," said Williams, adding that consumers "really ought to use our consumer power to force manufacturers to improve working conditions. I'll encourage you [the con­sumers] to fight."

"It has to come from you," said assistant professor Patricia Davis, also a fellow of the Kroc Institute. Davis said that monitoring manufacturing companies in a good strategy, but that govern­ment enforcement agencies are grossly understaffed and many factories get away with unfair labor practices without ever being inspected. Contractors shield themselves from legal liability by hiring independent contractors to hire and assign wages, she said. Nike, for example, hires contractors to manufacture its prod­ucts and therefore doesn't answer to labor misconduct charges.

"No code of conduct will ever be a panacea," said Hoye. "It's not going to be perfect, but the University is struggling with the major issues this represents."

"Have we gone far enough? No," he said, "Can we go further? Yes."

"Unless you visit these countries, you have no sense of how well we are, and how poorly they are," said Williams.

"This is not a Democratic cause or a Republican cause," he said. "This is a human cause, and I think everybody can agree on that."

Ceiling

by John Kelly

The O'Donnell Visiting Chair of Irish Studies, 1998-99

7:00 P.M.
April 7, 1999
Center for Continuing Education Auditorium

Professor Kelly is the General Editor of The Collected Letters of W.B. Yeats in 12 volumes, 3 of which have appeared (1986-97). He is also General Editor of the Woodlock Books series of reprints of nineteenth century Irish texts, seven volumes of which have appeared between 1986-97. He is a leading authority in Yeats, in nineteenth century Irish literature and in the history of the Irish Revival. John Kelly is currently Professor of English at St. John's College, Oxford.
Scientists find DNA conducts electricity

BASEL, Switzerland

Strands of DNA might someday be used as wires in computer chips and transistors, a study suggests. Hans-Werner Fink and Christian Schonenberger of the University of Basel, Switzerland, found that DNA conducts electricity and is a good semiconductor. A semiconductor carries electricity better than an insulator but not as well as a conductor like copper. If DNA strands could be made with a switch to turn the current flowing through them on and off, they could be used to build extremely tiny electrical devices, the researchers said Fink said he knows of no metallic wires that can be made as small or as regular as DNA strands.

Lovers stoned to death

NEW DELHI, India

Fifteen villagers have been charged with stabbing and stoning to death a young couple who ran off together and refused to disown their love, a newspaper reported Wednesday. The couple was killed Tuesday and their bodies were dragged to a cremation ground and set on fire outside the village of Shimla in the northern Indian state of Haryana, about 120 miles west of New Delhi. Desi Bhai, 23, and Nirmala, 17, ran away last week and sought shelter in the home of a relative, a news­paper said. The man reportedly informed their families, who pressured them to split up and return to their respective homes. When Bhai refused to leave Nirmala, the matter was put before the local council, which summoned the entire village to a assembly and, with the approval of his family, hetaen to deaths with stones and sticks in front of hundreds of people.

Lewinsky investigation bill totals $6 million

WASHINGTON

Independent Counsel Kenneth Starr spent more than $6 million on the Monica Lewinsky scandal, and the overall investigation of President Clinton is becoming the most expensive in history, congressional auditors reported Wednesday. The latest figure replaces Robert Fiske, who spent $6 million. Starr has spent nearly $40 million. Starr’s investigation bill totals $6 million on the Monica Lewinsky investigation. With hints from Western diplomats that NATO bombs and missiles could soon be raining down on Yugoslavia, NATO spokesman Terry Ladan reiterates Wednesday that the alliance’s insistence that Yugoslav security forces are bent on purging Kosovo of both ethnic Albanians and their culture.

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Yugoslavia

Yugoslav employees of the Sloboda household appliances factory in Cacak, a town about 150 kilometers southwest of Belgrade, attempted to salvage items from the rubble. More than 20 missiles were fired at the factory, according to the state agency.

NATO attacks, pledges ‘no sanctuary’

BELGRADE

Widening its air assault on Yugoslavia, NATO pounded the capital and targets Wednesday near a major Kosovo city and vowed there would be no sanctuary for Yugoslav forces trying to retake Kosovo of ethnic Albanians.

With the air campaign against President Slobodan Milosevic’s forces entering its second week, Western officials acknowledged that NATO’s missiles and bombs had so far failed to stop Belgrade’s offensive in the province.

Afterwards, Nirmala was repeatedly stabbed. "I talked to him in his English, and he answered," she said.

Russia backed its disparate forces in Kosovo. Russia backed its disparate forces in Kosovo. Under the 1995 Dayton Accords, Russia is a guarantor of Kosovo’s 1999 independence. But Russian forces have been accused of supporting Serb paramilitary groups in Kosovo.

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Einhorn, U.S. deputy assistant secretary of state for political and military affairs, flew in late Tuesday to brief South Korean officials on the talks in the North’s capital, Pyongyang. He was scheduled to fly Thursday to Tokyo to brief Japanese officials.

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Bush, Gore lead race in search of presidential campaign funds

WASHINGTON

Texas governor George Bush and vice president Al Gore have raised $24 million in the first three months of 1999 for a GOP presidential bid that eventually stalled.

The record for the first three months of a two-year presidential election cycle still belongs in Texas Sen. Phil Gramm, who raised $10 million in the first quarter of 1995 for a GOP presidential bid that eventually stalled and died.

The Gore and Bush efforts continue a trend over the last decade in which candidates raise substantially more than the $30 million President Clinton raised as a popular incumbent in his primary re-election in 1996.

"This is a great start, but I recognize that we have a lot of work ahead," Bush said.

Other potential GOP presidential candidates Sen. John McCain of Arizona, former Vice President Dan Quayle, conservative activist Gary Bauer and former Rep. Bob Dornan have all expected to finish the first three months of 1999 with $3 million or less in fund-raising.

Both the Texas governor and Gore have raised money faster than former President Bush did in the first quarter of 1987 when, as the vice president vying to replace Ronald Reagan in an open race, he raised $2.4 million and was the top fund-raiser in either party.

Herb Alexander, a professor emeritus at the University of Southern California, says the totals reflect the same pattern, according to Bradley aides.

In Austin, Texas, Bush announced he has raised money at a $2 million-a-week clip since he formed his presidential exploratory committee March 4 and will finish the month with more than $6 million.

The total is eye-catching because the Texas governor, unlike Gore, has not hosted a single fund-raiser yet or even formally announced his candidacy.

All of the GOP hopefuls’ money was raised through telephone and mail appeals, his aides said. Gore has had four fund-raising events so far.

The total is also important because Bush, if he runs, is considered forging federal financing provided to presidential candidates in the primaries so he can free himself from spending limits and better compete with millionaire publisher Steve Forbes, the的选择 GOP nominee.

Forbes is spending much of his own money and has not provided his fund-raising totals.

To forgo federal matching funds, experts predict Bush will have to raise $50 million or more, substantially more than the $30 million President Clinton raised as a popular incumbent in his primary re-election in 1996.

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"And that is the biggest problem for candidates coming out of relatively inexpensive states like Iowa and New Hampshire — there’s not enough time to raise money after them."

In 1976, Jimmy Carter had something like five weeks after New Hampshire and the next primary and that was the time he could raise money, but that doesn’t exist anymore," he said.

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WHAT FAROcki TAUGHT

STOCKS DEMONSTRATE STRENGTHS OF MARKET

NEW YORK Prices retreated on Wall Street Wednesday, dosing an early rally in technology stocks, as interest rates rose in response to several reports of the economy’s continuing strength.

The Dow Jones industrial average fell 127.10, or by 1.3 percent, to 9,786.16. The Dow opened higher, climbing 88.80 to 10,002.06 in the first hour of trading, but quickly fell back. Despite the decline Wednesday, the average of 30 blue-chip stocks ended the first quarter of 1999 with a gain of 604.73 points, or 6.6 percent.

Broader stock indicators faded in the final hour as technology shares trimmed early gains.

The Standard & Poor’s 500 index lost 14.38 points to close at 1,286.37, and the technology-heavy Nasdaq composite index fell 18.99 to 2,461.40 after clinging with a new high early in the day.

Dow component IBM, at one point up 2 1/16, closed down 1/16 at 177 1/4. In Nasdaq trading, Dell ended up 1 at 40 7/8, after trading as high as 42 1/4. But Internet stocks held up well, with Amazon.com adding 7 1/2 to 172 3/16.

Investors were adjusting their holdings ahead of the long weekend. Bryan Pikorski, a market analyst at Prudential Securities, said they were “just tired, tired, tired,” after pushing the Dow industrials to their first close above 10,000 on Monday, one day after flirting with a new high.

Pikorski said investors were also concerned about Friday’s release of March unemployment data, especially because the stock market will be closed that day in observance of Good Friday.

There is widespread fear that a drop in the unemployment rate will cause interest rates to rise, as they did Wednesday following some strong economic reports. The yield on the 30-year Treasury was up 15/32, to 6.5 percent from 5.58 late Tuesday.

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The government’s corporate profit report, which is the bottom line for stock investors, was less upbeat. Its first esti­ mate of after-tax corporate profits showed a drop at an annual rate of 1 percent in the fourth quarter, the third quar­ ter annual rate during the fourth quarter, the third quar­

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Clinton plans airlift for ethnic refugees

WASHINGTON

The Clinton administration plans to airlift supplies in a $50 million effort to benefit the more than 100,000 ethnic Albanian refugees who fled Kosovo because of a Serb offensive and broadening NATO airstrikes on Yugoslavia.

The Pentagon will transport the supplies in the neighboring countries of Macedonia and Albania, but acknowledged there is little U.S. officials can do to help more than 1 million ethnic Albanians still in the Yugoslav province of Kosovo, under threat from Serb forces.

"The only way to do it would be through airdrops and I think it is not a very hospitable area through which to fly airdrops at this time," Pentagon spokesman Kenneth Bacon said. "But you can't teach an old dog new tricks, and Milosevic is an old dog up to his old tricks, which is plain old ethnic cleansing."

Half the $50 million in relief money will pay to airlift food and other needed supplies to the Balkans and the other half will be sent to the U.N. High Commission on Refugees and other international assistance groups, White House spokesman Joe Lockhart said.

Additionally, the U.S. Agency for International Development sent a disaster relief team to Albania to assess the growing humanitarian crisis, Lockhart said.

"At NATO airstrikes continued for an eighth consecutive night, Bacon said it appears allied forces struck several Serb tanks and other heavily armed vehicles for the first time as commanders began concentrating military power against the Serb assault on Kosovars.

"They're leaving because the Serbs and hungry refugees, many fleeing after atrocities by the Serbs, are fleeing a murderous regime," Bacon said. "They are fleeing a murder regime," Bacon said. "They are fleeing a murder regime."
“I am convinced that if we are to get on the right side of the world revolution, we as a nation must undergo a radical revolution of values. We must rapidly begin the shift from a ‘thing-oriented’ society to a ‘person-oriented’ society. When machines and computers, profit motives and property rights are considered more important than people, the giant triplets of racism, materialism, and militarism are incapable of being conquered.”

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First Lady hopes tour erases negative stereotypes

Associated Press

MARRAKESH

Greeted with reverence and adulation, Hillary Rodham Clinton proclaimed her tour of North Africa a welcome escape and a success for U.S.-Arab relations.

"I always like getting away from Washington," the first lady said Wednesday as she and her daughter Chelsea wrapped up their 12-day tour—part sightseeing, part U.S. diplomacy—through Egypt, Tunisia and Morocco.

"I hope for our country this has also been a trip that has helped to move the agenda forward as to how we relate to people in this region of the world," the first lady said in a brief news conference.

Particularly, she said she hoped her tours helped to erase the "stereotypes and negative images" that some Arabs and Americans harbor toward one another.

Preparing to depart Thursday for Washington, Clinton sounded reluctant to face decisions about whether to seek the Democratic nomination for Senate in New York in 2000.

"I've really tried to put it out of my mind the last 10 days," she said.

She focused instead on the headlines at hand, joining Western leaders in condemning Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic for the Serbs' treatment of ethnic Albanians in Kosovo.

But her husband did not mind musing on what the responsibilities of a husband of a senator might be.

"I don't know, but I am willing to fulfill them," President Clinton said with a laugh during an interview with CBS anchor Dan Rather that focused largely on the crisis in Kosovo. "You know, I would fill in at dinners, make speeches when she had to vote. I'd be the main caseworker at the New York state office. I'd do whatever I was asked to.

The first lady said she's been "horrified" by the news she has seen on TV from Kosovo and the "propaganda" from the Serbs. She accused Milosevic of "a kind of perverted political decision-making."
Dreaming in Black and White

Maybe it was an unfair question, but it was asked of me nevertheless. One day during a visit with a relative, a discussion arose about the tendency of some African-American men to date Caucasian women. One of the women in the room eventually came up to me and looked me straight in the eye and asked me, “Be honest. If you had a choice between a black woman and a white woman, and everything else about them was totally equal, which one would you choose?”

My eyes met hers for a four-second pause and then shot up to the left as I prepared my answer. “I just don’t know, I don’t have a preference. I’d have to get to know them both as individuals first.”

From that moment on, I’ve always known which way eyes go when people lie — up and to the left. Quite frankly, the question caught me offguard. I knew in my heart that, if such a thing existed, I would’ve most definitely chosen the Caucasian woman.

As an African American, however, the question that I now must ponder is not “what” but “how.” How did I develop this preference? How did it enter my psyche?

Other African Americans may have different reasons, but interestingly enough, I believe the answer may lie in my dreams. My dreams are deeply rooted in the American dream — but not in the way you might suspect. You see, I dream of Jeanie with the light brown hair, and I dream in colors so very white! As an African American, that is, women who looked like my mother. I turned my eyes and lied to my relative’s friend that day, because I could not bring myself to say what was in my heart — that, at that time, I found our people less attractive.

In the end, I did not develop nor seek a sole preference for the women of my race. But an understanding that, given the subconsciously Eurocentric standards of beauty and the prevalent racism and stereotypical views that I even as an African-American male may have inherited from this society, I need to make a conscious decision to CONSIDER the women of my race. After that, I would get to know them individually and go from there.

Can you believe it? Once I started doing that, my Technicolor-dreamed colors actually began to be cast in black and white.

Maybe you’re thinking that life shouldn’t be so complicated. You’re right. Then again, life shouldn’t be so simple, either.

So...what color are YOUR dreams?

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A Loss of Innocence ... 

... and Shakespeare

Naksha Ahmad

The "Riverside Shakespeare" is an impressive book. It contains all of the authoritative works of the Bard — comedies, tragedies and histories — and puts them in easy reach. The Riverside contains notes on the text, little introductory articles, and descriptions on the back of many of the 20th-century productions of Shakespeare, both in film and on the stage.

The Riverside is a veritable Shakespeare encyclopedia. Suffice it to say, a deep-sea compass for all the unsophisticated.

The School recently released documents concerning the Games programs which state the desire to "animate teaching, stimulate learning and encourage scholarship." Professor Blanchard's methods of teaching epitomize these goals. His comprehensive understanding of Rome and its environs has allowed him to articulate it to the spirit of the architecture, art and culture of Italy. His tireless attitude and unparalleled reputation of Professor Blanchard's course has potential benefit in the academic and curricular goals of the program. We propose that this is not the case. Instead, Professor Blanchard has surpassed our expectations, providing us with incredible academic and cultural experiences throughout the year.

Due to his involvement with the Cornell University Program, he has been derelict in his responsibilities to Notre Dame. There is an excessive teacher to student ratio in the Rome Program. The University can no longer afford to keep him, and his teaching methods are not consistent with the new academic and curricular goals of the program. We believe that the use of financial limitations as an excuse not to renew Professor Blanchard's contract is hypocritical because of the reasons leading to the release of our esteemed professor.

The ramifications of the decision not to renew the contract of Professor Professor Blanchard, a man who is integral to the Roman education of the students. Mr. Frank Montana created the Rome Program. He began his job this past summer and upon reviewing the structure of the program, he proposed a curriculum to that of classical and traditional architecture. Mr. Carroll William Westfall was named chair of the Rome Studies program in 1969, and Mr. Thomas Gordon Smith chairs that each instituted different ideas beneficial to the education of the students. Mr. Frank Monta...
Of Easter candy, eggs and patent leather

How about a secular holiday?

By ELLEN ANDERSON
Scene Writer

"Come on, Mom. There's no such thing as the Easter Bunny," a friend once said. "Think about it. A big, fat rabbit hopping all over the world? How is he supposed to cross the oceans? It just doesn't make sense."

Although this precocious young lady had things all figured out at the ripe age of four, the idea of an Easter Bunny is a source of anticipation and excitement for most children far into their elementary school days. The thought of this magical creature scampering around, filling baskets with yo-yos and Peeps represents only one of the many traditions associated with Easter.

While some customs stem from the religious aspect of the holiday, other decidedly secular traditions are shared by those of faith and non-believers alike in the celebration of Easter. Perhaps the most common Easter practice is that of egg-decorating. Every child should experience the messy process of dying and painting eggs in the days preceding the holiday. What better family bonding experience than the intricate tasks of first decorating the shells, then consuming the week's worth of deviled, scrambled and poached eggs that result from the activity? Egg hunts often accompany the festivities, although a careful tally of eggs should be taken to ensure that no carefully hidden and subsequently rotting eggs surface at an obscenely later date.

Another tradition in the Easter spirit often includes the obligatory watching of televised parades and celebrations.

Although for older family members parades may seem trite and boring, few things can compare in a child's eyes to the first few years of floats and dancers seen parading around the streets of New York. The viewing of these glorious spectacles can bring out the magic of the holiday and provide yet another worthwhile family activity for a good deal of the population.

Not only does Easter mark the arrival of the spring season, it serves as an opportunity for youngsters to showcase their new holiday wardrobes. Masses are packed with little girls in flowery dresses and patent leather shoes, while boys decked-out in new tailored suits and ties. Easter proves to be most parent's finest moment — their children can be required to look presentable for at least a few hours in the public view. (The impending threat of an Easter candy-revocation is often a key motivator against misbehavior in situations such as this.)

A full-out meal marks the end of the Easter holiday in most families. A table bellowing with the traditional spread of ham, peas and wine, along with other incidentals can often set the mood for a great night of games and banter. An amusing (and sorely seldom-practiced) cap-off to the evening is the heating of the aforementioned marshmallow Peeps in the microwave to the point of explosion. What more satisfying activity is there than watching those little bunnies and chicks grow to impossible sizes before they finally condense back down to their former shapes?

No matter what the practices, Easter can and should be one of the most celebrated days of the year. Not only is it the end of Lent, but Easter provides one of the rare times in which family members and friends can gather solely to enjoy each others' company. Easter is a time for laughter and relaxation, and it comes but once a year. Each Easter should be an event to remember, an event from which memories can be formed for years to come.

The views expressed in this holiday celebratory column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

For that not-so-secular Easter

Easter Weekend Liturgy Schedule:

Thursday:
5 p.m. - Mass of the Lord's Supper
6:30 p.m. - Adoration in the Lady Chapel

Good Friday:
3 p.m. - Celebration of the Lord's Passion
7:15 p.m. - Stations of the Cross

Saturday:
9 p.m. - Easter Vigil Mass

Easter Sunday:
8 a.m. - Easter Sunday Mass
10 a.m. - Solemn Mass
Noon - Easter Sunday Mass
7:15 p.m. - Solemn Easter Vespers
Freshmen shine in the spotlight

Thumbs-up to Freshmen Plays; thumbs-down to untheatrical venue

By BRIAN SEAMAN

In the opening moments of the 1999 First Year Plays, the house lights were abruptly cut, leaving the audience in sudden darkness, wondering what exactly was happening. Only moments later, when a spotlight piercing the blackness was mis-placed four or five feet to the right of the actress waiting for it on stage, did the audience realize the show was beginning.

With this early blunder, the audience silently winced, wondering if this was to be a bad omen for the course of the evening. Thankfully, the talented freshman performers involved in Sunday night’s performance proved that the evening would not only be markedly better than those opening moments, but also that their combined talents would add up to a very enjoyable and witty evening of theater.

The evening opened with the wonderfully sarcastic “Mrs. Sorken” by Christopher Durang, a caricatured portrait of a New York theater lady — the kind of theater patron who insists on loudly opening M & M’s in the middle of a quiet scene. Dressed in a cool pink suit, Michaela Murray-Nolan turned in a dynamically subtle performance as Mrs. Sorken, and quietly charmed the entire audience with her crinkled glances and grandmotherly voice.

It was truly a moment of simplistic glory on this actress’ part when after explaining that she felt nauseated by the drama in which “... they use the ‘F’ word,” she playfully glanced out to the audience as if in nervous anticipation of approval. This comedic monologue is the kind of drama college students are waiting for, most definitely not the high (and usually boring) drama that is presented all too often on college campuses.

Incredible illuminations,” had a substantially larger cast and thus was not as personally engaging. It was truly a moment of simplistic glory on this piece’s part when three harried city-dwellers intersect in a bar to realize they are caught in alternate realities of sorts, all of which are named after American cities. To be caught in a Philadelphia is the worst of all days, for when one asks for something, the opposite is provided.

All three performers in this segment were confident and well-cast, from the Clive Dance’s “Cleveland,” which she describes as “Death ... without the benefits.” Her wildly engaging attitude of New York ignorance proved to be overwhelmingly hilarious.

Refreshingly, one of the greatest criticisms of the evening cannot be directed at the performers, directors or technical staff, but rather at the physical space in which the evening was performed. The Hesburgh Auditorium was not designed for theater, but rather for lectures. It should be restricted to such.

With the level of theatrical talent in the freshman class, these students should be granted time in Washington Hall, for they certainly deserve it. The idea of a comedy of manners is definitely undermined when the biggest joke of the evening is an overly powdered wig which was bumped, beaten and puffed too many times.

This overused device grew very sour by the end of the piece, and a final powdery explosion, which ended the show on an inappropriate note, most definitely should have been rethought.

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Yet strangely enough, a wildly erratic feel to the show as a whole contrasted this sense of modesty and understatement. Yet initially entertaining, the idea of a comedy of manners is definitely undermined when the biggest joke of the evening is an overly powdered wig which was bumped, beaten and puffed too many times.

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Watts pleads guilty at homicide hearing

SOMERSET, Ky. — Former Kentucky football player Jason Watts pleaded guilty Wednesday to recklessly homicide driving, a one-vehicle accident that killed a teammate and another young man.

Watts entered the plea during a brief courtroom hearing in Pulaski Circuit Court. Judge Daniel Venters granted Watts' request for a 15-day prison-imprisonment

Vollers scheduled sentencing for April 16. Pulaski Commonwealth's Attorney Eddy Montgomery said he would ask that Watts serve consecutive terms of five years on each count for a total of 10 years.

Watts, originally charged with manslaughter, declined to speak in court.

He and his attorney, James Lowery, did not comment after the hearing.

"It’s for everyone to try to get on with their lives," Watts' father, Jim, said. "This is a sad, sad day for everyone.

The Nov. 15 crash on U.S. 27 in Tazewell County, just south of Somerset, killed Watts and killed teammate Artho Vollers and Eastern Kentucky student Scott Brock.

Tests showed Watts' blood-alcohol level at 0.2 percent, the legal limit. Watts faced up to 15 years in prison if convicted on the original charges.

Under Wednesday’s plea, his manslaughter sentence was dropped to 10 years and the witness tampering charge was dismissed.

Watts was hospitalized with an arm laceration.

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The crash occurred just after 7 a.m., as Watts passed another driver and then was hit by a car that veered off the road.

Montgomery said Watts’ lawyers indicated from the start that he would take responsibility and that the accused said Watts will be eligible for "shock" probation, which is granted when the judge’s discretion to first-time offenders who cooperating and remaining honest.

Such a motion cannot be filed more than 30 days after sentencing, meaning Watts’ chances of being released after 1 1/2 weeks in prison before being eligible to get out.

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ed by an invitation to the Outback Bowl. Watts, a 21-year-old senior from Orlando, had started 10 games held in a turn­

ning a line that projected a start­

tcher quarterback Tim Couch.

Steinmetz, 19, trans­

ferred to Kentucky from Michigan State and was sit­

ting out a year while waiting to become eligible. Brock, 21, was a close friend and high school teammate of Couch.

At the time of the wreck, the three were headed for a deer hunting excursion. Watts and Brock had spent several hours there the previous day at a Lexington bar where they celebrated the Wildcats’ win over Vanderbilt.

The crash occurred just after 7 a.m., as Watts passed another driver and then was hit by a car that veered off the road.

Montgomery said Watts’ lawyers indicated from the start that he would take responsibility and that the accused said Watts will be eligible for "shock" probation, which is granted when the judge’s discretion to first-time offenders who cooperating and remaining honest.

Such a motion cannot be filed more than 30 days after sentencing, meaning Watts’ chances of being released after 1 1/2 weeks in prison before being eligible to get out.

Montgomery said he would oppose shock probation for Watts.

Wattleton will return to the football team and the basketball team next season, but will not play in any games.
Francis leaves Maryland for NBA after one season

Francis considered entering the NBA draft last season after playing junior college ball at San Jacinto in Texas and Alleghany in Maryland.

Francis, who grew up in Takoma Park, Md., traveled from the Maryland campus, chose to play for the Terrapins instead.

In his first year in Division I, he led the Terrapins (28-6) in scoring (17.2) and 3-point shooting (42.2) and led the Atlantic Coast Conference in steals (2.8). Francis joins forward Albert White of Missouri in leaving college early.

Others who might enter the NBA draft are: Duke's William Avery and Elton Brand, the latter the national player of the year, North Carolina and Richard Hamilton of national champion Connecticut, Lamar Odom of UCLA, junior college players from Georgia, Chris Porter of Auburn, and Mateen Cleaves of Michigan State.

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Wizards set defensive record against Magic

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Juan Howard scored 20 points and the Washington Wizards used a record defensive performance to beat the Orlando Magic 84-73 Wednesday night. The 75 points by Orlando were the fewest ever allowed by Washington. The previous record was 74 by Cleveland in 1982 and Milwaukee in 1997.

Ferry Davis went 6-for-6 from the field and matched his season-high with 12 points, including six points during an 8-0 first-quarter run that gave the Wizards the lead for good. The Wizards, who blew a 10-point lead in the final three minutes and lost at Milwaukee the previous night, had to hold off the Magic after squandering most of a 10-point, fourth-quarter lead.

The Magic, who ended a two-game winning streak, lost leading scorer Nick Anderson with six 37 left in the first half. Anderson averaged 16.5 points, strained his left hamstring when he fell on Washington’s Mitch Richmond and is listed as day-to-day.

Darrell Armstrong scored 15 points for the Magic, who fell apart after trailing by only three points at halftime. The Wizards, who never trailed, opened the second half with an 11-1 run. The Magic missed their first seven shots of the half and committed seven turnovers, including four offensive fouls, in the first five minutes of the third quarter.

The lead twice grew to 10 points in the first half until the Magic closed to 45-40 at the half. Orlando center Isaac Austin scored all 10 of his points before the break. After falling behind 54-41 in the third quarter, the Magic couldn’t get closer than six until B.J. Armstrong’s jumper cut the deficit to 74-70 with 2:53 remaining. Birchmon, who finished with 16 points, responded with two free throws and a driving layup to get the lead back to eight and seal the victory.

BC will try to avenge ’98 loss

Associated Press

ANAHEIM, Calif.

After an overtime loss in last year’s championship game, Boston College has another opportunity to win its second NCAA hockey championship — a half-century after its only title.

The Eagles (27-11-4) face Maine (29-6-4) in the first semifinal Thursday at the Anaheim Arena.

New Hampshire (30-6-3) will meet Michigan State (29-5-7) in the other semifinal.

Despite last season’s success, Boston College is the least likely member of what is now officially dubbed the Frozen Four.

The Eagles finished third in Hockey East and qualified for the NCAA tournament by winning their conference tournament.

Seeded fourth, Boston College opened the tournament with a 2-1 victory over fifth-seeded Northern Michigan on Saturday and qualified for the final four with a 3-1 victory over top-seeded North Dakota on Sunday, its eighth consecutive victory.

“We’ve got a little streak going here,” forward Blake Bellefeulle said after Wednesdays practice. “We’re on top of our game right now. If we play our style, I think we’ll come out with a W.”

Boston College and Maine have split their four games this season, with the Eagles winning the most recent matchup 3-2 March 19 in the Hockey East tournament semifinal.

“You have to prepare to play a great team like Maine,” said Bellefeulle, who scored two power-play goals and had an assist the last time the teams met. “You have to focus and play your best game.”

Although the tournament is being played west of Colorado for the first time in its 52-year history, both teams have links to the Anaheim rink.

For Boston Colleges seven seniors, it is a return trip to where their careers began.

They played in a 7-1 loss to Miami (Ohio) in a Great Western Freeze-Out tournament game Oct. 15, 1995.

For Maine’s Steve Kariya, the game is his first opportunity to play at the home rink of his brother Paul, the captain of the NHSU’s Mighty Ducks of Anaheim.

The younger Kariya, a senior left wing and team captain, is a finalist for the Hobey Baker Award, annually presented to college hockey’s top player. He leads the Black Bears with 27 goals and 38 assists.

In the other semifinal, Central Collegiate Hockey Association champion Michigan State is the only outsider in what is otherwise an all-HECC East affair.

The Spartans were seeded second in the West, had a first-round bye and opened the tournament with a 4-3 victory over Colorado College on Sunday, with freshmen scoring all of their goals.

Michigan State also has a Hobey Baker Award finalist, senior center Mike York, whose 22 goals and 30 assists represent 41.6 percent of its scoring.

New Hampshire, the Hockey East regular-season champion, is led by forward Jason Kreg, the nation’s leader in points, goals and assists, and another Hobey Baker Award finalist.
Kathleen Norris

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NCAA plans to modify eligibility 

Associated Press

The NCAA said Wednesday it could have changes ready in freshman eligibility standards by September that likely will put less weight on the standardized test scores that a federal judge ruled discriminatory.

The NCAA said it had been studying modifications in its minimum standards for months before U.S. District Judge Ronald Buckwalter ruled in Philadelphia last week that relying on test scores "has an unjustified disparate impact against African-Americans."

The standards — which include minimum scores on the SAT or ACT, a core group of high school courses and a minimum grade-point average in that core — are needed to extend the NCAA's ruling.

The NCAA hopes to have modifications of the standards, known as Proposition 16, in place by Sept. 1, said Penn State president Graham B. Spanier, chairman of the NCAA Division I Board of Directors.

"I'm not promising we will have it done by that date. Circumstances can change," Spanier said. "The stay gives us a window of opportunity following our own schedule and pursuing our research to have something in place by Sept. 1.

The NCAA will continue to pursue an appeal of Buckwalter's ruling not only because it struck down Proposition 16, but also because it raised other issues that needed clarification, Spanier said.

The standards were challenged by four black athletes who contended they were denied athletic scholarships or sports eligibility because they did not score the minimum on the standardized tests.

The tests have long been a subject of debate in the academic and athletic worlds as to whether they are discriminatory.

Proposition 16 was a refinement of Proposition 48, which was enacted during the NCAA convention in 1983 at the bidding of reform-minded university presidents who wanted tougher academic standards.

The tests are used by some sort of minimum standards are needed to avoid reviving "the bad old days" when high school athletes arrived on campus ill-equipped to handle the rigors of university academics, were exploited for their athletic ability and then thrown out when their eligibility ran out, said Spanier.

In studies since then, the NCAA has found athletes graduate at a higher rate than the general student body.

"The NCAA position is that it has produced sufficient evidence linking graduation rates to test score cutoffs under Proposition 16," Spanier said.

Modifying Proposition 16 likely will involve adjusting the weight of the three components that make up the minimum standards, Spanier said. In particular, more weight would likely be given to overall performance in high school.

Studies show that the "single best predictor of success in college and in the workplace," Spanier said. There are members of the NCAA board who believe high school performance is "extremely important and should carry the greatest weight."

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it to win close games. The production of the course would be impossible without the efforts of the entire nine-man lineup to contribute at the plate. The injuries have not created holes in the lineup for Mainieri but rather opportunities for players to step up. 

"I think one of the things Coach is committed to is stepping up the play of everyone on the team," junior Jeff Perconte said. Perconte has taken Mainieri's focus to heart, hitting .345 with five RBIs and three doubles in the last 10 games.

The other significant injury in the lineup affects the pitching rotation, but much like the hitters, the pitchers have also stepped up their production. With Alex Shilliday just returning from a shoulder injury, the Irish have relied on the trio of Aaron Cavey to retire opponents. Shilliday pitched an inning in his return fast week against Western Michigan before starting last Sunday at Rutgers. He was rocked in that outing and has just started his return. "He just needs to get back into pitching shape and become sharper," Mainieri said. "There's no question that Alex has proven himself time and again in his career and he will continue to do so."

The co-captain Shilliday will complete the four-man rotation with his probable start on Saturday against Connecticut. Heilman, the two-time Big East Pitcher of the Week, will open the series today followed most likely by Kalita and then Casey to open the series against the Huskies.

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Irish aim to snap losing streak against Purdue

By BRIAN KESSLER

The 26th-ranked Notre Dame tennis team will look to snap its three-match losing streak on Monday when it travels to West Lafayette, Ind. to face in-state rival Purdue.

"We had a winning streak going for a while, but then we had a bad Blue-Gray Classic and then had a close match with Illinois, but we fell short there too," said singles player Andrew Laflin. "It hurts to lose, so we're definitely looking to turn things around."

The 47th-ranked Boilermakers are playing solid tennis. Purdue has upped its record to 11-2 on the season and remain a perfect 3-0 in the conference. Notre Dame, on the other hand, has faced stiff competition in recent weeks and has fallen to 11-7 overall.

"Purdue is a good team and it should be a great match," said junior All-American Ryan Sachire. "We've gotten the better of them over the past few matches, but Notre Dame and Purdue is always a good rivalry."

With just three matches remaining before the Big East championships in Miami, Fla., the Irish realize the importance of this match and would like to set the tone for the remainder of the season with a victory in its final away match.

"We will have the chance for us to gain our confidence back, especially with Big East coming up," said Laflin.

Notre Dame dropped a close match at No. 2 Illinois last Saturday. The Fighting Illini won three of the four singles matches that went to three sets to claim the 5-2 victory.

Brian Patterson played a brilliant match at No. 2 singles, defeating No. 55 Gary Franklin, 6-3, 6-4. Senior captain Andy Warford won at No. 6 singles.

The Irish are hoping to avenge the disappointment loss by knocking off a different Big Ten opponent.

"That's the thing about college tennis. You lose a heartbreaker and then a few days later, you're out playing another good team," said Sachire. "There's no time to sulk, you just have to come out ready to play."

Purdue will entertain Minnesota on Sunday, before hosting Notre Dame the following day.

The Boilermakers are coming off a grueling 4-3 victory over Ohio State. They got out to a fast start by taking the doubles point with victories in the No. 1 and No. 2 slots.

The top two Purdue tandems are each 3-0 in Big Ten action.

Jamie Gordon filled in nicely at No. 1 singles for the injured Cris James. Gordon was a 6-3, 2-6, 7-5 winner over OSU's Chris Porter.

Derick Myers and Jason Marshall sealed the Boilermaker victory with wins at No. 2 and No. 3 singles, respectively.

Notre Dame has struggled in the doubles department lately and will look to turn it around against Purdue.

"We've lost quite a few doubles points and it's frustrating because then we have to win four singles matches which is always a struggle," said Laflin.

The Irish will most likely send Sachire, Sunjic, Matt Daly, Laflin, Casey Smith and Warlord to the court in singles.

"Purdue is very similar to us," said Laflin. "It will be a battle, but if we play well and execute, hopefully we'll be able to get the job done."

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Freshman singles player Andrew Laflin and the Irish will travel to Purdue Monday to take on the 47th-ranked Boilermakers.
The Triduum Begins...
Jim Lies, C.S.C.

Even though we are baptized, what we constantly lose and betray is precisely that which we received at baptism. Therefore Easter is our return every year to our own baptism, whereas Lent is our preparation for that return - the slow and sustained effort to perform, at the end, our own "passage" or "pascha" into new life in Christ... Each year Lent and Easter are, once again, the rediscovery and the recovery by us of what we were made through our own baptismal death and resurrection.

-Alexander Schmemann

I don’t remember the day when I decided to be a Catholic... and I don’t mean the day of my baptism in the first few weeks of my life. I didn’t decide that... my parents did. I remember long ago envying those who converted to Catholicism because it occurred to me that they had a choice, and I didn’t feel like I did. Until I realized that the choice was mine, to claim it or not... to profess and live my Catholic faith, or not. I don’t remember a particular day on which I said, as an adult, I want to be a Catholic, I want to follow Jesus. And yet I have, most assuredly... and do. Somewhere along the line, the renewal of my baptismal promise became my own. Somewhere along the line I realized that I do believe in the God of Jesus Christ and in the God in Jesus Christ... call it grace, or bum luck... all I know is that I believe. My faith in this God is so real that I want to celebrate it... even the worst of it... because the worst of it, the crucifixion and death of Jesus, is, paradoxically, the best of it. Our very salvation is tied up in it. We commemorate this great salvific event liturgically in the Triduum.

Much can be said about the Triduum, those days which embrace the Paschal Mystery. "Triduum" in the Latin simply means "a space of three days," but as it is used in the Christian tradition it is meant to signify the three days prior to Easter Sunday: Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday. The words of the tradition and of the present liturgical books convey the intensity and unity of the hours around the Vigil. These days call us to fast and pray, to keep watch, and to enter into the holy mysteries of Christ’s passion, death and resurrection. We come face to face with the very reality of our own lives, our own dying and rising. Our oneness with Jesus as members of his body, our oneness with each other, and our oneness in the death and resurrection of Jesus is ritualized in the liturgies of the Triduum and realized in our participation in them, and in our very lives as Christians.

It is during the Easter Vigil that we as a community initiate and welcome into full communion those who have, as adults, chosen to join the Catholic Church. They have been preparing for the past several months through the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). Some will be baptized and others will be received into full communion with the Catholic faith from other Christian traditions. I would urge you to keep these folks in your prayers during these days, and to reflect yourself on the importance of your own baptism.

These are important days for all of us. Days during which each of us stands alone before God to renew our commitment. It is an opportunity for us as adult Christians to say yet again, "Yes, I believe!" It is an opportunity for us as a community as well to stand side by side in our shared commitment to live the call of Jesus, to rededicate ourselves to that call, and to build the Kingdom together. Please join with me in the days ahead in celebrating the glory and greatness of these days, whether it be at the Basilica of the Sacred Heart, the Church of Loretto, a residence hall chapel, or at your home parish. We join with the whole Church not only in remembering the events of Jesus’s passion, death and resurrection, but, as the Body of Christ, we ourselves partake in them even now that they might transform our very lives.
BY GENE BRTALIK

Sports Writer

After finishing their opening homestand with a 5-1 record, the Notre Dame women's lacrosse team will spend Easter break in Pennsylvania. The Irish (4-2) are coming off a huge 18-6 win against the University of Connecticut. While the team trails by an early score of 3-2, the Irish held the Huskies scoreless for 35 minutes, racking up 13 points. Leading the Irish in scoring once again was Lari O'Shaughnessy with six goals and three assists.

Her performance brought her to 26 goals on the season, one behind her total from last season. O'Shaughnessy's nine points against Connecticut matched captain Kerry Callahan's, 1997 performance against Stanford.

Callahan also extended her goal-scoring streak to 20 games with one goal and four assists in the win. "We recognized our mistakes from the Ohio State game and put them to use against Connecticut, and I feel we used them again in the upcoming games," said Maura Doyle. "We just have to remember the fundamentals and focus on the game to come out on top," she added.

On Saturday, the team will take on the Wildcats of Villanova, who enter the game with a 5-4 record after posting wins over Drexel, Duquesne and Bucknell, but are currently riding a two-game losing streak.

To stop the Wildcats, the Irish will have to control their best player, senior Meghan Doyle. Doyle enters the season as a second-team American, amassing 31 goals and 10 assists last year. She currently has 30 goals on the season.

The person to guard Doyle may be one who best knows her style of play — her sister, Notre Dame sophomore Maura. "I have mixed emotions going into the game. I am nervous playing against my sister, but I am glad that my family will be there," said Maura Doyle.

"It is going to be weird telling my teammates that they have to shut [Meghan] down if we want to win." After the team takes off Sunday to celebrate Easter, they return to action late Monday night in a game against the University of Pennsylvania Quakers who are winless in five games.

Pennsylvania will take on Temple before playing the Irish on Monday.

The Irish defense will be crucial in this match-up, as they attempt to contain former Big 10 Freshman of the Year Brooke Jokun.

"Carrie [Marshall] and the defense played a great game in the other dugout," said Maura Doyle. If the Irish put in the same effort they showed against Connecticut last Sunday, the team could arrive back in South Bend late Monday night owning a 4-2 record.

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Pavilion due to darkness.

Wind affected the play of most singles matches forcing players to change their games. "Any time it's that windy, it kind of evens out a match. It takes away from what you can do in the game. You can't do as much," said Hall.

The Irish return in action with a pair of matches against Purdue and Illinois State on Saturday at 1 and 3 p.m. Purdue always plays pretty well against us. We need to stay on top of our games," said Doyle.

"They're one of those teams that we definitely should win against, but they can still play well," she said.

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Irish come out strong against Fighting Illini

By WES JACOBS
Sports Writer

Jennifer Hall set a record for singles wins, picking up her 108th win with the Irish, in Notre Dame's 7-2 victory Wednesday over the Fighting Illini. The 13th-ranked Irish won four of six singles matches and dropped just seven games in sweeping the doubles.

"This is something that I'll look back on later, and be very happy with, but for now, I'm just happy that we're winning matches," said Hall, who broke Mary Colligan's 13-year-old record, which was set in her 1982-86 Irish career. "We played well today, especially in doubles." Freshman Lindsay Green and junior Kelly Zallo clinched the match for the Irish with their 8-3 win over Allison Gittleb and Natalia Manassov at No. 3 doubles.

Notre Dame improved to 13-6 with its 16th consecutive win over a Midwest region opponent. Illinois fell to 6-9 with the loss.

Becky Varnum, Michellie Dasso and Hall gave the Irish a quick 3-0 lead in the match with straight-set singles wins. The 56th-ranked Varnum beat Carla Rosenberg 6-3, 6-2 at No. 4 singles followed by the eighth-ranked Dasso's 6-2, 6-3 win over Simone Sing at No. 1 singles. Hall won her record-setting match at No. 2 singles as she beat Stacy Schaprio 6-4, 6-4.

Illinois didn't get its first point until Megan Wise beat Kelly Zallo 7-6 (7-3), 6-2 at No. 5 singles as Notre Dame led 4-1. Braged-ranked Keny Zallo Illinois alive with a three-hour win at No. 3 singles over Marina Velasquez 7-6, 6-8, 6-7, 6-7 (7-4) after Velasquez served for the match at both 5-4 and 5-6 in the third set

"We need one doubles point to clinch, and they blew the Illini away in a doubles sweep," said Paul Mainieri, who have posted a .796 record for the month in the Irish baseball team as they play the month will be crucial for the Connecticut will be the first of the best months of baseball for in April.

"I don't think it's a coincidence. For starters, the Irish enter Stadiun.

Irish won 12 of it last 13 with only two games at Frank Eck Stadium.

The Irish have accomplished that feat with a number of key injuries to the lineup. Co-captain Jeff Wagner has been out since the beginning of March with a foot injury and will not return before Saturday's set against the Fighting Illini.

Even then, his return is only slated as probable. Wagner, the Irish career home run leader with 43 round-trippers, has been a constant threat in the heart of Notre Dame's lineup.

Along with freshman third baseman Andrew Bushel (315 AVG, 1 HR, 3 RBI) out with a knee injury, the Irish could have easily entered April playing the stage since Wagner's injury. He has batted 13 home runs so far and trails Wagner for the career record by just one. Alex Porcel has also hit a hot bat with six RBI and 10 runs in the last 10 games. Freshman Paul O'Toole has taken on the backstop role vacated by the injured Wagner to lead the team in doubles and stands second in runs.

"It's really awesome," Wagner said of his team's run production in recent games. "They're really putting in high output and using it to win close games."

The men's lacrosse team will travel to Lempisport, N.Y., this weekend to take on the Flying Dutchmen of Hofstra.

The Irish go into the game riding a two-game winning streak after defeating Hofstra, 13-9, last week. Five of those goals were scored by freshman attackman Tom Ziegler. The Irish have won all their games in the 1990s. The Irish are familiar opponents, having faced one another five times in the 1990s. The Flying Dutchmen managed to defeat the Irish in 1991, but six of those five games to the four games in the series. 1-4.

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