Despite appeals, committee gives Renner/Nagle the win

By COLLEEN MCCARTHY
News Editor

After an election period filled with an unprecedented tie and two appeals, Ursie Renner and Michelle Nagel will lead Saint Mary's as the 2000-2001 student body president and vice president.

The Board of Governance election appeals board announced Monday that the appeal filed Monday by the presidential ticket of Emily Koelsch and Elisha Rodarte in response to the decision made Sunday night by the Election Committee to nullify the results of Friday's election will not be heard.

The decision of the election appeals board renders the Renner/Nagle ticket victorious. The decision is final, said current student body president Nancy Midden.

"The board decided that in an event of a tie, to revert to the election results from Monday [Jan. 31]," said Midden.

The Monday, Jan. 31 election featured four tickets with Renner/Nagle taking 43 percent of the vote and Koelsch/Rodarte earning 37 percent of the vote. In order for a ticket to be declared victorious, the ticket must earn 50 percent plus one vote. However, the Election Appeals board decided to take the raw vote from Jan. 31 and award victory to the ticket that received the plurality of the vote, said Midden.

"We did discuss that there were four tickets involved in Monday's election [of Jan. 31] and it wasn't just between the two tickets that made it to the runoff," said Gina Guerrero, a member of the Election Appeals board.

"However, we don't know how those people would have voted if they hadn't had the other options or if they would have abstained so we made the decision we thought was best.

"We looked at the vote from Monday's initial election [Jan. 31] and who had the majority of the votes. We decided that is who ended up winning." The Koelsch/Rodarte ticket filed an appeal Monday, stating that the decision to use the raw votes from the Jan. 31 and Wednesday, Feb. 2 elections was not a valid representation of the wishes of the student body. The appeal also stated that if Renner's appeal was submitted after 7:45 p.m. on Sunday, it was invalid. The Koelsch/Rodarte appeal cited section 0.4.7 of the Student Government Association Election Bylaws that states "official results will be confirmed within 48 hours of the closing of elections." Voting ended Friday at 7 p.m. and the tickets were informed of the results by 7:30 p.m., therefore if the results were official as of Sunday at 7:30 p.m., the Renner appeal would be invalid.

Rodarte was skeptical of the Renner appeal.

"Emily and I don't believe in the appeal," said Rodarte. "Not having provisions in the constitution in case of a tie was a lack of foresight on the part of student government.

"We feel we are basically being punished for the h a t. Because this is something that none of the tickets could control, we don't see this as being very fair.

Comprised up of three seniors, the Elections Appeals board was without one of its members Monday night who was out of the country.

However, Elections Commissioner Bridget Heffernan submitted Guereuano's name as a replacement and the Board of Governance executive board approved the appointment Monday night. Members of the election commission are "knowledgeable of the constitution and have the background to make informed decisions," said Midden. The Koelsch/Rodarte ticket initially secured victory in a second run-off election Friday, carrying 51 percent, after the first run-off election between the two tickets on Wednesday was declared a tie.

The student government constitution does not have bylaws regarding what to do in the event of a tie. Student activities director Georgeanna Rosenbush authorized Friday's election.

"It is a matter of how you interpret the bylaws," said Rosenbush. "My interpretation could be different than yours. We have a system of checks and balances in place and the Elections Committee disagreed with my decision and went to consider the appeal made by Crissie.

"I support their decision." Renner appealed the decision to have a third election Sunday night before the 48 hour deadline for election results to be official was imposed.

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Nothing but talk

Even the casual reader of The Observer can see that there hasn't been a whole lot of warm and fuzzy discourse in the paper lately. Most humor has been directed at the people you'd believe "here" folks and the "Oh my goodness, like everyone here is so conservative!" crowd. Most of us fall somewhere between those two camps, thank goodness. In fact, I even chose to make this column a bit more suitable to atheists and certain theology graduate students by using "goodness" in place of "God.

Despite my mushy, feel-good, safe-sitting, I have to take issue with a particularly astute commen made in a recent letter to The Observer. The democrats are far superior to the Republicans regarding race relations, the environment, and opposition to the School of the Americas. Allow me to translate for the right-wing mongers and other Republicans out there because you don't support feel-your-pain, take-a-hit-from-the-bong legislation that only further complicates things, you are, in effect, big meanies. It's a good thing so many buy into this logic; otherwise Democrats would have to find another way to attract the vote.

Regardless of whether there is little doubt to the leading contribution of liberals to the cause of civil rights, the result of taking the "black" look reveals that party lines are not completely relevant. These so-called contributions by Democrats have been monopolized by either party, as some will realize it was about sex. It's a good thing so many buy into this logic; otherwise Democrats would have to find another way to attract the vote.

According to the police, Roskot's roommate was the only suspect in the case, Thomas Nelford, jumped in front of an oncoming subway train. Roskot was killed in her dorm room by a stab wound to the throat on Saturday, police said that afternoon, the only suspect in the case. Thomas Nelford, jumped in front of an oncoming subway train.

UCLA students join Gap protest

About 25 people exposed their half-naked bodies Sunday in Los Angeles because they would rather "wear nothing than wear Gap." They stripped in protest of the alleged deforestation done by the Fisher Family, one of the Gap's largest investors, as well as the alleged sweatshop labor practices used by the company. "We're just kind of sick of the Gap," said Mark Fisher, a first-year student at UCLA. But Alan Marks, a spokesman for Gap, Inc. said the clothing company does not privately own any manufacturing plants, and has strict measures to make sure child labor or sweatshop practices do not occur. He said there are 60 employees who monitor such factories worldwide. If factories are found to be in violation of the Gap's policies, they may be reprimanded depending on the seriousness of the violation or the Gap may take their business elsewhere. "We're constantly monitoring factories to make sure they follow all our guidelines," Marks said. "We're in the factories on a constant basis."
Campus Life Council discusses 24-hour space discrepancies

By HELENA RAYAM
News Writer

Campus Life Council planned to fine-tune a resolution on 24-hour space in residence halls during Monday’s meeting.

“There’s a big difference between male and female dorms,” said Student Union Board manager Ross Kerr. Submitted by the GEC Committee on Gender Issues, the “Resolution of the Definition of 24-Hour Space Regarding Social Space in Residence Halls” is the most recent version of a resolution originally drafted by the Gender Relations Committee of Student Senate last semester.

“We’ve made it stronger,” said Kerr. The resolution addresses varying implementation of 24-hour space among dorms. The common problem involves hall monitors who ask male guests to leave at 6:30 a.m. when the night shift ends, thereby reducing the time that space is available to male students.

While student members of GEC discussed different incidents when they have encountered this problem, rectors also offered opinions.

Pasquerilla East Sister rector Mary Ann Masingholf was reluctant to support the resolution in its current form because in PE she has not encountered this problem. However, she has heard that some students feel their space is inadequate. Obtaining a large area of 24-hour space in these dorms would like­ly mean some renovation.

Knott Hall rector Brother Jerome Meyer mentioned the need for adequate social space in his report to the GEC. “We’re at the Colloquy 2006,” on student life. The report addressed major student concerns like social space, housing concerns for married students and the role of rectors. Campus Ministry and the Center for Social Concerns (CSC) in student life.

CSC also discussed the CSC’s problems with controlling student groups’ transportation. CSC must keep track of van drivers and destinations for any group requesting use of University vans.

“It’s a scheduling problem for them,” said Meyer. “That transportation issue is a recurring nightmare,” Kirk added.

According to Kirk, this sentiment might continue because it has not been a high priority.

“It’s one of the things we’ve learned to deal with, but I think it’s something we definitely need to look at,” said student body president Micah Murphy.

In other CSC news:

• Kerr, SUB chair, reminded CSC members that the Office of Student Affairs helped make student movies in DeBartolo possible.

The recent theft of the DeBartolo picture is an action that reflects poorly on the students and SUB, said Kerr.

“I want student to understand that screening movies in DeBartolo is a privilege,” said Kerr. “I don’t want to see it raised.”

Fisher hall senator Phil Dimitrov suggested a survey about the reasons students move off campus.

Alum’s lecture focuses on unfairly imposed death penalty

By MICHAEL De La ROSA
News Writer

The death penalty is imposed in a biased and unfair fashion, said lawyer Greg Wiercioch in a Monday lecture discussing the planned federal execution of Juan Bautista Garza, the first since 1963.

Wiercioch, an ’86 Notre Dame alumnus, is a member of the nonprofit Texas Defender Service, which provides post-con­viction representation to people sentenced to death.

Wiercioch represents Garza, a Mexican-American sentenced to death in 1993 under the federal drug kingpin statute. Garza was convicted of three murders that were given to link Garza to the murders; accomplices who received reduced sen­tences at the sentencing phase of the trial.

Wiercioch noted bias in capital punishment cases, especially those involving minorities. He pointed out that of 133 defendants authorized for death penalty from 1988-98, 76 percent were members of minorities. He pointed out that of 133 defendants authorized for death penalty from 1988-98, 76 percent were members of minorities.

There have also been inconsistencies in what crime merits a death penalty.

Wiercioch said the asked attorneys to write letters to President Clinton asking for executive clemency in the Garza case.

New SAB coordinator named

By NICOLE HADDAD
News Writer

Allison Webb, current marketing chairwoman of the Student Activities Board at Saint Mary’s has been named SAB coordinator.

Webb exhibits “a real understanding through her experiences,” said Jeff Hayworth, current SAB coordinator. “She has done an excellent job and has many new ideas for events.” As the new SAB coordinator, Webb will be over­seeing the activities of each chair­woman. Her responsibilities will include facilitating events, signing contracts and providing resources for the six committees under SAB’s juris­

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"I was informed two hours before the deadline that the decision to hold a third election Friday was not made by the appropriate committee according to the election bylaws," said Renner. "I wasn't seeking a victory, I was more concerned with upholding the rights of student government." "All I wanted was for the Election Committee to decide if it was right to have a third election and if that was their decision, then so be it. But I wanted to know. This wasn't the kind of victory we had hoped for, though." Renner said the election Friday was also not valid because constitution bylaws state that a separate voting place for off-campus students must be provided and this was not done. The two tickets met Monday morning to discuss options after which Koelsch and Rodarte filed their appeal. At the meeting, Renner said she suggested appointing Koelsch to be her vice president since her running mate Nagle was ready to step down because she felt it would be in the best interest of the student body. Nagle did not file the appeal with Renner. However, the Koelsch/Rodarte ticket did not want to melt the two tickets into one. "We decided that if we take office, we are taking offices together or not at all," said Rodarte. "We chose to run with each other because we feel we complement each other well. We respect Crissie's decision and she respected ours." With combining the two tickets no longer an option, Koelsch/Rodarte filed their appeal Monday. After learning of the Election Appeals board's decision on Tuesday morning, Rodarte expressed disbelief. "Emily and I are pretty much shocked," said Rodarte. "We never ever would have thought this would be the final decision. We are upset that 20 percent of the Saint Mary's student body was discounted by using Monday's vote. "We can't understand why Monday's voting tally (from Jan. 31) was used and we don't think it is a fair representation of the wishes of the Saint Mary's student body and what they wanted for student government." Garresco disagreed that the voice of the student body wasn't heard in the board's decision. "I would ask those people that think their voices weren't heard why wasn't the voice of the student body heard Monday's election (of Jan. 31)?" she said. Renner said early Tuesday morning she was ready to step down because the student body's voice was not ignored throughout the election process. "I believe the student body's voice wasn't ignored throughout the election process. There were obviously two strong tickets and the committee had to weight what they thought was the best option. It's unfortunate that there wasn't anything in the bylaws about what to do in case of a tie but it was up to the committee to make the decision if it wasn't in the bylaws."

For Koelsch, the situation is disappointing. "I'm very disappointed with how this was handled," said Koelsch. "Neither Riefchel or I were treated with respect. We weren't even informed that the appeals board was meeting tonight. I can't see how the student body will be happy with this decision because as far as we are concerned, the interests of the student body are not represented by tonight's decision." Midden disagreed with the assessment. "In light of a very difficult situation, I think student government handled the situation with grace and maturity," she said. "I think they did a phenomenal job and made well-informed decisions." Although Nagle was not available for comment, Renner said early Tuesday morning that she will serve as vice president. "Our biggest concern is to do what is in the best interest of the student body," said Remmer. Rodarte and Koelsch are investigating their options. "We don't know if we can do anything because the board's decision is final," said Rodarte. "We wish Crissie luck next year," said Renner. "This has been completely changed in the past 24 hours and we don't know what our options are."
WorldNews

Former officers criticize Venezuelan president

CARACAS, Venezuela. Three former officers who helped President Hugo Chavez stage his famous 1992 coup attempt are lashing out at the president and his inner circle, threatening to carve a division in Venezuela's leftist governing coalition. The ex-coup leaders last week used the eighth anniversary of their revolt to publicly warn Chavez that his year-old government may be betraying the revolutionary peaks that prompted them to take up arms. They offered details. But on Monday, retired Lt. Col. Francisco Arias Cardenas, considered the intellectual author of the 1992 coup, said Chavez's Fifth Republic Movement political party is in crisis.

Triple-murder could warrant federal death penalty

WASHINGTON. Attorney General Janet Reno opened the door Monday for the first federal death penalty conviction in the nation's capital in a notorious triple-murder case. Reno agreed to allow federal prosecutors to seek the death penalty in their case against Carl Derek Dorchard, 30. He faces murder and racketeering charges for a crime that police said followed a botched robbery. There has not been an execution in the District of Columbia since 1957. The city council outlawed capital punishment for local convictions in 1961. But execution is possible under federal charges. In only two other cases has the federal government sought the death penalty in the district. Both ended with guilty pleas.

U.S. hopes to reduce Russian nuclear proliferation with deal

WASHINGTON. The Clinton administration has agreed to give Russia an additional $100 million to safeguard nuclear materials and conduct research in return for Russia's promise to stop making plutonium from civilian reactor fuel. Arms control advocates praised the agreement as a significant step toward reducing the threat of nuclear proliferation and the first attempt to deal with the huge volume of used fuel, and tons of weapons-grade plutonium, from Russia's civilian reactors. Some details of the agreement in principle remain to be worked out, and some of the money for nuclear research is linked to Russia's ending its transfers of nuclear technology to Iran, U.S. officials said. Energy Secretary Bill Richardson called the tentative agreement "a very exciting new initiative" that will reduce the United States' exposure to weapons-grade plutonium, from Russia's civil-research reactors. Both ended with guilty pleas.

Croatia

Mesic defeats Budisa in election

ZAGREB. A candidate who pledged to lead Croatia away from its authoritarian past won the country's presidential election Monday, his opponent said, conceding the race hours before the first results were to be announced. Stipe Mesic is the victor in the runoff election to succeed the late Franjo Tudjman. Former Communist dissident Drazen Budisa acknowledged shortly after polls closed. Mesic is a former member of Yugoslavia's collective presidency. "I think the moment has come for me to congratulate late Mr. Mesic on his victory and to wish him a lot of success in carrying out the presidential duties," Budisa said after early, unofficial results available to both parties showed Mesic with a 10 percent lead. The two candidates differed only slightly in the policies they supported during the campaign, leaving voters with a choice based largely on personality and presentation. Voting took place in more than 7,000 polling stations in the country and 48 in embassies abroad. The first preliminary results were expected early Tuesday. The vote was the third nationwide election in just over a month. In watershed parliamentary elections on Jan. 3, Croatia ousted Tudjman's nationalists in favor of a leftistleaning coalition supporting democratic reform and integration into the European mainstream.

Train crash in Germany injures 149

The new president will have key influence in national security matters and in shaping foreign policy. But he will face a reduction of executive powers, with a new parliament committed to restoring its role as the central decision-making body. Legal analysts say Tudjman, who led the country to independence in 1991 and ruled until his death on Dec. 10, abused his powers.

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Negotiations continue over hijacked plane

Associated Press

STANSTED, England

Authorities held "fairly calm and businesslike" negotiations over long hours Monday with apparent Afghan dissidents holding a planeload of at least 150 people hostage at an airport outside London.

Officials did not disclose what political demands, if any, the hijackers put forth. But a diplomat familiar with earlier negotiations when the airliner landed in Moscow said those holding the plane sought to free a prisoner held in the Afghan city of Kandahar.

Afghan media speculated the hijackers were dissidents who sought the release of Ismail Khan, a former regional governor who has been held since 1997 by Afghanistan's ruling Taliban movement. Khan is a former member of Afghanistan's opposition alliance, which still rules a shattered country.

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Associated Press

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Bush parents back on campaign trail

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

George W. Bush's parents are hitting the trail again this week on his behalf despite criticism over whether they are appropriate campaign surrogates.

Former President Bush will make a two-day swing to Michigan, while former first lady Barbara Bush was spending Monday and Tuesday in South Carolina before heading to Virginia.

George W., the Texas governor and Republican presidential front-runner, made his first joint campaign appearance with his parents in New Hampshire on Jan. 29.

Three days later, he lost the state's GOP presidential primary to Sen. John McCain of Arizona.

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Israel:

Air strikes launched against Lebanon

Associated Press

BEIRUT, Lebanon

Israeli warplanes struck a guerrilla stronghold and power stations across Lebanon early Tuesday, causing widespread blackouts in apparent retaliation for Hezbollah attacks that killed four Israeli soldiers.

The strike came after a week of bloody attacks by the Muslim guerrillas and graphic footage of wounded Israelis on the evening news in Israel.

The bloodstream prompted talk that Israel will expedite a planned withdrawal from Lebanon, but it also created fears of increased violence near the Israel-Lebanon border.

Bush's father was appearing in Portsmouth, N.H., and was appearing Tuesday in Anderson and Rock Hill, S.C. She travels to Virginia on Wednesday for stops in Charlottesville, Vienna and Glen Allen. South Carolina holds its GOP primary Feb. 19, followed by Virginia's on Feb. 29.


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Police negotiate supply delivery with hijackers

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STANSTED, England Police and hijackers were arranging food and medicine today for 165 hostages aboard an Afghan airliner at Stansted airport outside London after the plane was forced on a dramatic journey across Central Asia and Europe.

Negotiations were under way with the hijackers of the Ariana Airlines Boeing 727, which touched down just after 2 a.m. and came to rest at an isolated spot about half a mile from the airport's main terminal.

The hijackers first asked for tea bags, soft drinks and a generator to run the plane's air-conditioning, said Essex Police Deputy Chief Constable Charles Clark. They had released 22 hostages in return for supplies earlier, he said. They did not agree to release any hostages in London, he said.

As dawn broke, hostage negotiators were discussing with the hijackers the provision of food and medicine to the plane. Police said one of the passengers has a kidney illness that requires special treatment.

"At the moment, we are discussing with the people on board precisely how the medical attention should be delivered," said John Gatrell, the Essex police assistant chief constable. He said the supplied requested earlier were being brought up to the plane and that the doors had been opened to allow fresh air to circulate.

British officials said there were 122 men, 20 women, and 23 children on board the plane, and an Essex police department spokeswoman said the hijackers were not included among them. Authorities were not saying how many hijackers were on board.

Negotiations seemed to be going well, Broughton said, but he could not confirm the number or identity of the captors, nor the nationalities of the passengers.

"At this stage we are in discussions with them regarding the welfare of those people on board," he said.

Clark said that in general, Britain does not allow hijackers diverted to British airports to take off again. "But, of course, there's always a matter for negotiation," he said.

The hijackers, seized the airliner at Stansted for 165 hostages aboard. At approximately 8:45 a.m. Monday, five hostages were released, and Ariana 1115 a.m. three more are to go.

Afghan media earlier had speculated that the hijackers wanted the release of opposition figure Ismail Khan, a former regional governor, who has been held since 1997 by Afghanistan's ruling Taliban movement. He reportedly is held in Kandahar.

An Afghan opposition spokesman, identified only as Abdullah, denied that the Afghan opposition was responsible for the hijacking, saying, "We condemn any act of terrorism.

"Wherever is behind this act shall realize that their initiative amounts to an act of terrorism and blemishes the name of Afghanistan and dis­honors the Afghan people," said a statement issued by Afghan opposition alliance, which rules roughly 10 percent of the war shattered country.

In Islamabad, Pakistan, the Taliban, who rule the rest of Afghanistan but are not re­ognized by the British government, vowed to neither negoci­ate nor cede to the demands of the hijackers.

"Terrorism is strongly con­demned by us and we will never negotiate with the hijackers and we will never open their demands," said Mohammed Haqqani, the Taliban's ambassador to Pakistan, told a news confer­ence in the Pakistani capital.

Reading from a statement issued by the Taliban's supreme leader Mullah Mohammed Omar, Haqqani accused Afghanistan's former defense minister and leader of an anti-Taliban alliance, Ahmed Shah Masoud, of ma­terminching the hijacking drama that began on Sunday.

However, Haqqani said he did not know what evidence Omar had to link Massoud to the know the identities of the hijackers nor have they received any demands, he said. In December, the Taliban criticized India for refusing to negotiate with five hijackers of an Indian Airlines plane that was held for more than a week in Afghanistan's southern city of Kandahar.

India eventually opened talks with the hijackers after they threatened to start killing passen­gers. The hijacking ended peacefully on Dec. 31 with the release of three pro-Kashmiri militants. The hijackers were allowed to leave the airport and were given 10 hours to leave Afghanistan. They have not been seen since.

Kim White, a spokesperson for the local Essex police department, said authorities at Stansted airport, located 25 miles north of London, are well prepared for hijackings.

It has become routine for Stansted to be designated by British authorities because there is enough space to isolate the planes with minimal dis­ruption to the rest of the air­port's activities.

In August 1986, seven Iraqis took control of a Sudan Airways plane en route from the Sudanese capital of Khartoum to Amman, Jordan, and forced it to land at the British airport.

The hijackers, who were seeking political asylum in Britain, surrendered to police at Stansted after seven hours of negotiations. All 193 passen­gers and crew members were released unharmed.

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Statue of Liberty's origins questioned

Associated Press

BOSTON

The Statue of Liberty has long stood as a beacon of hope to immigrants. But National Park Service researchers are looking into the possibility that Lady Liberty may have been intended, at least in part, as a monument to freed black slaves.

And if that's true, it could lead to a change in how the park service portrays the 114-year-old monument's history.

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"Our history states that he was an abolitionist, but we still don't know whether or not it was relative to the Statue of Liberty," she says. "The important thing for us is just to validate the history one way or another."

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Pope stresses museums' importance

Associated Press

VATICAN CITY

Giving his blessing to yet another Holy Year project, Pope John Paul II on Monday implored the new entrance to the Vatican Museums and stressed the church's determination to keep close ties to the world of culture.

The museums, which include the Sistine Chapel, are one of the most heavily visited tourist attractions in Italy. To mark the 2000 Holy Year, the Vatican built a new four-story entrance and atrium to ease crowding and long lines to get in.

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One of the most hurtful things anyone ever said to me came from someone I had considered one of my closest friends. She was frustrated by my inability to pay for many of the things she thought we should buy for our room. My family could have made some better choices so I could afford more things, she told me. It was my parents’ fault for having so many children.

The comment stung. I do not remember how I replied, as I have tried to forget the exchange. But I know what I would tell her now. I have six younger brothers and sisters, and I would not go through life without a single one of them for any amount of money, much less new lofts and couches.

It used to be that my friends seemed somewhat envious of my family. I always had someone to play with, and most neighborhood activity revolved around my house. Every few years, I got to hold and cuddle a new baby. Long after I stopped believing in Santa Claus, children in my house still kept the magic of Christmas alive.

But with increasing frequency, I have encountered negative reactions to my family life. My peers wonder how I tolerate the noise, how I survive on breaks without my own room, how I got by without some luxuries they enjoyed. The answers I now hear more often is an emphatic, "That's why I believe in birth control."

This saddens me, to think that we need to keep the birth of children under "control," like termites or mosquitoes, sounds so wrong. Yet to many of my peers, my parents are the backward ones. They are behind the times because they won't use technology to control the size of our family. They are therefore financially and socially irresponsible. I am planning a career in public policy, and sectionmates have asked me how I intend to do so if I am going out a baby every year or two. They have told me they pity the 20 children I am sure to have because they will grow up poor in a crowded house with a busy mother.

Granted, big families might not be for everyone. But God truly does know what is best for us, and He has a way of working things out. Of course we need to be responsible ourselves about when we have sex and how we view it. We are rapidly losing respect for the procreative aspect of sex.

I have learned a lot from my sectionmates in Lewis Z-South. According to them, sex is fun but children and pregnancy definitely are not. Pregnancy will ruin their bodies, and children will thwart their fun and their careers. The women of whom I speak share an obsession — or at least a fascination — with "getting through". This growing cultural selfishness is a significant obstacle to reclaiming healthy attitudes about sex and the family. So when this kind of "giving" is so clearly undesirable, why would anyone want to undertake the self-sacrifice demanded by bearing and raising a child, much less seven of them?

At one point, I looked down upon my stay-at-home mother. I saw her as the antithesis of the modern woman. She wasted many of her talents, and her obvious delight in serving her family often bordered on the embarrassing. I have since matured and developed a more understanding relationship with my mother, one that leaves me admiring her as nothing short of a goddess or a saint. She, along with my father, has done an absolutely amazing job raising my siblings and me and keeping our home in order. She has displayed selflessness that I once thought beyond my capacity.

Could I one day put all my plans and my own pleasure on hold to go through pregnancy and raise a child? My culture tells me I am crazy to say yes. But if I told you it, I know now that I will find this strength. It may be one of the most important things I ever do.

But I'll need help — we all will. We need responsible fathers. Employers must offer more generous maternity and family leave policies. Our community, with its resources and rhetoric, needs to support motherhood as something honorable, not a curse women must grudgingly bear.

From being a big family definitely has its drawbacks. People gasp when all nine of us walk into church or a restaurant together. Janine rarely returns the clothes she borrows from me. While I tried to sleep through one car trip, Brone kept us waiting his head, insisting, "I know you're awake!" When I was a child, I never went skiing or to Disney World. I wore hand-me-down clothes. I didn't have cable or many expensive toys, but I do have happy memories of playing with He-Man action figures with my brother Chris, or soccer in our Baltimore City alley with the neighborhood kids, or dancing around the living room with my parents to their favorite 1970s records. And I know what it's like to have Brian and Meghan fling themselves at me in the Baltimore airport, or to have Michelle climb into my bed at 4 a.m. and cling to my arm, whimpering that she is afraid of the dark. "Stay with me, " she cried, as I tried to put her to sleep.

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Music is either good or bad. It doesn't really matter who's making it, male or female. It seems to me, though, that unless a girl pop star is a sex icon, guys could rarely give a crap. I don't know many guys who like the Indigo Girls or Ani DiFranco. And if they say they do, they are probably just saying that to make girls like them.

Guys like sex-iron girls (e.g. Jessica Simpson, Britney Spears, Christina Aguilera, Debbie Gibson) because when girls are singing it's fun to pretend that they are singing to you. As a guy, our thoughts are like, "Hey, I know what a girl wants, and I'll make the ugly men of today less desireable." Or Jessica's "Pour yourself all over me and I'll cherish every drop here on my knees." Oh yeah, and "Hit you with what I like." I'm pretty sure old men wrote these types of songs that are still in touch with the way they felt when they were young and ugly and could only dream about girls like Britney or Jessica. They are just trying to make the ugly men of today less frustrated. A noble task.

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Plus these songs are littered with sexual references which guys have no trouble digesting. For instance, Britney Spears:

"I'm so excited, I'm in too deep." Or Jessica's "Pour yourself all over me and I'll cherish every drop here on my knees." Oh yeah, and "Hit you with what I like." I'm pretty sure old men wrote these types of songs that are still in touch with the way they felt when they were young and ugly and could only dream about girls like Britney or Jessica. They are just trying to make the ugly men of today less frustrated. A noble task.

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Some really good girl bands that I like are September 67, Barbara Manning and Chug.

Tomorrow's topic: Commentary on the opposite sex in the Notre Dame family.
the record by defeating Philadelphia. "They were great," Brown said of the Pacers, who shot 54 percent, outscored the 76ers 43-39 and blocked 12 shots. "They shot well and defended well."

Reggie Miller overcame a slow start to score a season-high 32 points despite sitting out the fourth quarter, and the Pacers limited Allen Iverson to just 14. "Reggie was just sensational," Brown said.

Iverson, who matched his career high with 50 points Sunday in a 110-108 triumph over Sacramento, made one-of-19 field goals and all seven free throws. "Naturally the emphasis was to stop him and make sure he didn't get easy looks at the basket," Brown said. "We did a great job of swarming to the ball each time he put it on the floor," said Travis Best, one of four Indiana guards that helped hold the league scoring leader 17 points below his average. Iverson declined to credit the Pacers for their defensive effort.

"The only person who could stop me is myself," he said. "I made some bad shots early and had some bad judgments," added Iverson, who often had Miller defending him with help from teammates.

**Orlando 120, Golden State 100**

Doc Rivers worried that the Orlando Magic might be ripe for a letdown after beating two of the best teams in the Eastern Conference.

But there was no cause for alarm Monday night with the Golden State Warriors playing more like the team that lost 12 straight in December and January than the club that recently went four in a row.

"After beating New York and Indiana back to back, this game scared me a little," Rivers said after the Magic never trailed in a rout of the team with the third-worst record in the NBA.

"I think the last three or four games we've really hit a nice stretch defensively, which has scored a lot of points for us. It's all about defense, and tonight we never let up."

Second-year center John Amaechi scored a career-high 25 points, all but two in the first half. His backup, Michael Doleac, had a season-high 23 points, while Ron Mercer scored 18 in his second game since joining the Magic in a trade last week.

"We were very concerned about this team because we just played two tough teams," Amaechi said. "We were smoked by these guys last time (113-100 at Golden State on Jan. 17), so we knew we had to play.

**Charlotte 95, New York 85**

Contrary to how it may have appeared, Eddie Jones said his performance was nothing personal against the New York Knicks and Kurt Thomas.

Jones scored a season-high 34 points — one short of his career-best — to lead the Charlotte Hornets to a victory over the injury-ravaged Knicks on Monday night.

"It was one of those nights when I think I just wanted it a lot more than anybody else," said Jones, who made 13 of 20 field-goal attempts, including 5-for-7 from 3-point range.

Jones was facing New York for the first time since a foul foul Dec. 20 by the former Star left him with a torn ligament in his left elbow. The injury sidelined Jones for 10 games.

"It was something that didn't have to happen, yeah, but I wasn't upset," Jones said. "I just can't control all the things that we do."

Jones, a starting guard for the Eastern Conference in next weekend's All-Star Game, helped the Hornets make a season-high 10-3-pointers.

"Eddie was outstanding," coach Paul Silas said. "Every time we needed it, he stepped up. He hit big 3-pointers, he drove to the hoop, he got steals. He'd missed a couple of shots, New York would have been right back in it. I think it was his best game by far.

The Hornets helped their cause by getting Patrick Ewing into foul trouble early, coming off a 44-minute eating Sunday in which he had 25 points and 14 rebounds to lead the Knicks over Miami, followed it up against Charlotte with 15 points, 10 rebounds and four fouls in 38 minutes.

**Portland 115, Milwaukee 111**

Steve Smith scored 24 points and Rashheed Wallace added 17 to lead the Portland Trail Blazers to a victory over the Milwaukee Bucks at the Bradley Center. The Blazers won straight and their ninth in the last 10 games.

Glenn Robinson scored 27 points and Ray Allen poured in 26 for the Bucks, who lost their second in a row and their third in the last four games.

Milwaukee led 44-37 after three quarters, but Portland opened up the fourth with a 13-4 run to take the lead. Delk Schrempf canned a jumper at 2:24, 92-91 left to pull the Blazers within one, and then made another basket with 8:55 remaining to put them up 89-88.

Schrempf then sank a pair of free throws with 7.55 left to cap the spurt and put Portland up 91-88. But a three-pointer by Robinson at the other end tied the game at 91 apiece with 7:25 to go.

The contest was knotted at 97-97 before Greg Anthony buried a three with 4:49 to go to put the Blazers up for good at 100-97.

A three-point play by Allen with 18 seconds left pulled Milwaukee within 111-109, but Brian Grant gave the Blazers a four-point lead by hitting a pair from the charity stripe with eight seconds remaining.

A key to Robinson's Robinson's success again brought the Bucks within a basket, but Smith scored 26 of his 38 points for Portland by sinking two free throws with two seconds left.
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Police continue
Lewis investigation
Associated Press

ATLANTA
Police searched Ray Lewis' home in suburban Baltimore on Monday, but would not dis­close what they were looking for or what they found in con­nection with the murder charges facing the NFL star.

Officers could be seen carry­ing large plastic containers from the home and loading a computer into a van.

Atlanta police spokesman John Quigley confirmed a search warrant was executed, but he would not elaborate on the search by Atlanta and Baltimore County police.

While police sought clues in Lewis' home, his lawyer said all the passengers in the limo­usine that fled the scene of the two fatal stabbings con­tend his client was not part of the post-Super Bowl brawl.

Don Samuel told The Associated Press on Monday that he and other defense lawyers and investigators have interviewed all six men, including Lewis.

"We're all hearing one voice — Ray was not involved in killing anybody or attacking anybody," Samuel said. "We have not interviewed the drier, but everyone else says Ray wasn't the one."

The Sun in Baltimore reported Monday that the 51-year-old limo driver, Duane Fassett told police that Lewis threw at least one punch in the fight that resulted in the two deaths.

The affidavit police used to obtain the arrest warrant against Lewis cited an undeni­ted witness who said Lewis participated in the "punching, beating, and stabbing" of the two men.

The Baltimore Ravens play­er is in Atlanta Detention Center on murder charges stemming from the deaths of Jacque "Shorty" Baker, 21, and Richard Lollar, 24, both of Decatur.

Samuel said interviews have not shed light on who actually started the two fights. He would not release the names of the other limo passengers.

Samuel also said they want to interview two men thought to have been in the limo — former University of Maryland player A.J. Johnson and Kwame King, a friend of Lewis.

Johnson, who said he was at home in Laurel, Md., during the Super Bowl weekend, said Sunday that Atlanta investiga­tors had interviewed him.

Samuel said the defense team has interviewed more than 30 people, and accounts as to what happen vary wildly.

"We've heard everything from it was a war zone and there was fighting everywhere to there were four total involved, including the two victims," Samuel said.

Atlanta television station WSB-TV reported Monday that investigators Monday also visited The Sports Authority location in Duluth where Lewis held an autograph ses­sion the day before the Super Bowl.

The store sells hunting knives, and previous reports have said that receipts for knives were found in Lewis' hotel room, but the store was not known.

Police and store officials would confirm or deny that investigators visited the store.

A lawyer involved in the investigation said his client should not be seen as "a star witness against Ray Lewis."

"He's cold police what he saw. And he's told police what he didn't see," David Irwin said.

Irwin would not comment on what Fassett has told police, but he said Fassett has per­iodically driven for Lewis dur­ing the past year and is "friendly" with the 24-year-old player.

"He's very distraught about the trouble that has befallen Ray," Irwin said.

Irwin would not comment on previous reports that knives and blood were found in the limo.

Samuel said Fassett may have seen Lewis trying to break up the fight.

"We don't know what his vantage point was or what he actually saw," Samuel said.

He also said that because someone shot at the fleeing limo and bullet holes in the car were evident, someone other than the victims might have been involved in the fight.

Samuel said prosecutors have not approached Lewis with the possibility of lesser charges if the player identifies the actual killer.

"Our conversations haven't gotten there yet," Samuel said.

"They can find that out without needing Ray's help. Everybody who was there will figure out who else was in car sooner or later, and from there, it's not going to be any great mystery."

Police continue
Lewis investigation
Associated Press

The next time commander Gary Bettman delivers one of his state of the NFL speech, perhaps his foreign affairs department should write it.

As the world team's dominat­ing 9-4 All-Star victory Sunday over North America empha­sized, there is a new world order in which now is the imper­atively named National Hockey League, whose regular season resumes Tuesday.

The brightest stars in a league once ruled by Lemieux and Sauer and others are heating up. - A byproduct not only of the European influence, but the 4-0-4 overtime format that has significantly cut down on ties.

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Darnell Brown, Ryan Combs combined from starters to pointers, shooting 37.3 percent ended at 19 games.

67 victory over the previously with 39 seconds left Monday finally met its match.

— the Pirates had 10 assists —

Seton Hall holds the lead, and the Pirates kept the edge despite some early foul

Dalembert when the big freshman

Kaukenas had 16 points and 
The game was rescheduled from Jan. 22 because of a dor­

Blackwell and Tony Bland, Etan Thomas in the final 10 points, won it with a long 3

Thomas had 13 points and 14 rebounds, Shumpert had 12 points and DeShaun Williams 11.

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Coach Jim Boeheim rotated his three of its first 13 shots while the Pirates were 6-of-9 Consecutive 3-pointers by Lane and Kaukenas stacked Seton Hall to an early 12-6 lead, and the Pirates kept the edge despite some early foul trouble for Samuel Dalembert. Syracuse's depth allowed the Orangemen to stay in the game.

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Tiger claims sixth straight with win at Pebble

Associated Press

PEBBLE BEACH, Calif. — With an astonishing comeback to win the Pebble Beach National Pro-Am, Tiger Woods Monday moved a step closer to Byron Nelson’s "untouchable" record of 11 straight victories.

Seven strokes behind with seven holes to play, Woods electrified an otherwise gray afternoon on the Monterey Peninsula by holing a 97-yard wedge for eagle on the 15th and making birdies on two of the last three holes for his sixth straight PGA Tour victory. Woods became the first player since Ben Hogan in 1948 to win six straight tour events and took an unbelievable leap closer to Nelson’s record, which was set in 1945.

It was a command performance, filled with spectacular shots that have defined Woods’ young but spectacular career. It ended with Woods watching from the 18th green as Matt Gogel missed a 10-foot birdie putt on the 18th that would have forced a playoff.

Woods closed with an 8-under 64, the lowest final round by a champion in the 53-year history of Pebble Beach. He finished at 15-under 273 and earned $720,000.

“I figured if I birdied the last four holes, I might have a chance,” Woods said. Gogel, the 28-year-old tour rookie, made birdie on five of the first seven holes to seemingly turn the final round into a rout.

Instead, he turned in a shocking collapse — a 40 on the back nine — that will only be forgotten because of a miraculous comeback by a player who never ceases to amaze.

So shaken by his failed birdie putt, Gogel missed a 3-footer for par on the 18th and wound up in a tie for second at 13-under 275 with Vijay Singh. The 10th hole was pushed back to the tournament is more often lost over time.

Not only was he seven strokes behind, five other players were in front of him. Woods needed some help, and Gogel obliged. Five under after his first seven holes, Gogel came unglued after his first bogey of the day — on No. 11 — and handled the spotlight like a deer on the highway.

But this day will be remembered more for the spectacular play by Woods. The guy who folded his arms and stared blankly across the ocean for most of his round suddenly unleashed one of those famous fist pumps when his wedge on the 15th landed four feet to the right of the hole with just enough spin to slide in. He only had two decent birdie chances, and none of those came very close. Next up for Woods is the Buick Invitational this week in San Diego, where he is the defending champion. Should he continue to win, he would surpass Nelson at the tournament where the Woods legend took root — the Masters.

For Gogel, it was another lesson to be learned from playing in the final group on the final day. He was there two weeks ago in the Bob Hope Classic, came out conservatively, and was quickly passed. This time, he started with three straight birdies, and moved to 5-under for the round with a 25-foot birdie from just off the green at No. 7.

The 10th hole was the last one that runs south down the Pacific coast, ending a terrifying six-hole stretch where the tournament is more often lost than won. When Gogel walked off No. 10 with a par, he had a five-stroke lead over Singh, and Woods was nowhere to be found.

That changed as quickly as clouds replaced sunshine at the start of the round.
Carlson named CCHA player of the week

Hockey

Carlson's timely play makes Carlson just the second player in Notre Dame hockey history — and the first in 28 years — to score two overtime goals in the same season. Junior winger Paul Kegan scored two overtime goals during the 1971-72 season.

Carlson's goal at OSU held extra significance, as it marked the first time that the Irish have scored a game-winning goal in the final minute of regulation or overtime in seven years since Matt Osietski found the net with 55 seconds left in overtime to give the Irish a 5-4 win at Kent State on Feb. 14, 1992.

Since that time, Notre Dame has been on the losing end of 12 last-minute, game-winning goals.

Notre Dame players have been recognized in the weekly CCHA awards four times in 1999-2000, with freshmen center Connor Bunlap (Oct. 18) and freshman goaltender Tony Zasowski (Nov. 1, Jan. 24) both earning rookie-of-the-week honors.

Carlson — who has scored or assisted on five of Notre Dame's 12 winning goals this season — suddenly has moved into a tie for 10th all-time at Notre Dame with seven career game-winning goals (just seven players have totaled 10-plus, with Brian Urick and Dave Poulin sharing the record of 13). Carlson's four game-winning goals this season topped for eighth in the Irish record book.

History: The threepoint weekend leaves Carlson atop Notre Dame's season charts in points, goals, power-play goals and game-winning goals. His recent heroics include scoring two huge goals in the 4-3 win over Western Michigan on Jan. 21, as he recorded overtime by scoring with 1:23 left in regulation before setting the game-winner in the first minute of overtime.
Six high school seniors sign letters of intent

The University of Notre Dame men's soccer team has signed six high school seniors to national letters of intent. Joining the Irish in the fall of school history, "Irish assistant teams."

Six high school seniors sign letters of intent

**Special to The Observer**

Justin Detter, Greg Martin, Devon Prescod, Kevin Richards and Chad Riley.

One of the strongest recruiting classes in school history, all six players at one time or another have played with their respective youth national teams.

"This is truly an outstanding class and one of the best in school history," Irish assistant coach Chris Apple says. "The players entering in the fall fill a lot of our needs and strengthen our team in many areas."

Chilleni, a 5-foot-10 central midfielder, is one of three incoming freshmen who have spent time training with the under-17 national team pool at the Bradenton Academy in Florida. He was selected to the National Soccer Coaches Association of America (NSCAA) High School All-America team in 1999 and earned all-South regional honors as well. In addition, he has been invited to the Elite Soccer Program (ESP) Adidas Camp each of the last three years.

Chilleni has vast international experience and has played in several countries. He has been a member of Georgia's Olympic Development Program (ODP) state team since 1994 and the Region 111 ODP team since 1998.

Currently playing at Roswell High School in Roswell, Ga., Chilleni has been a member of the United Quest club team and has helped that team capture state championship honors in the last four years.

"Filippini gained valuable experience with the youth national team during his residency at Brabenton," Apple says. "He is a tough, aggressive defender with excellent ability to break down defenses and has a tremendous work ethic on the field and is a sound, technical player. One of Kevin's greatest assets is his quickness in the open field."

"Chad possesses the unique ability to break down defenses because of his vision and passing skills," Apple says. "He is a strong dribbler in the open field and an excellent finisher around the goal."

Detter, a 6-foot-1 midfielder, is an extremely versatile athlete. He was a member of the under-17 and under-16 national team pools from 1996-1999 and also played in the Region III tournament for three years.

"Detter spent four months (this past August through December) training with the under-17 national team at the Bradenton Academy," Apple explains. "Justin has improved tremendously over the past year."

"He is a difficult man to handle in large part to his residency with the national team. He has a strong physical presence on the field and is extremely strong in the air. One of the assets he will bring to this team next year is his ability to distribute the ball from the center of the field and an excellent finisher on the field."

Martin, a 5-foot-8 defender, spent 18 months training at the Bradenton Academy following his sophomore year at Plane High School. He was a part-time starter on the under-17 national team that lost in the semifinals of the World Youth Championships in New Zealand.

Martin has twice earned Parade Magazine All-America honors and was selected to the NSCAA High School All-America team in 1999.

Martin also has been a member of the Dallas Comes club team for years and helped that squad to a fourth-place finish at the national tournament in 1998.

"Greg's improvement has come with the international experience he has gained," Apple says. "He is a tough, aggressive defender with excellent ability to break down defenses and has a tremendous work ethic on the field and is a sound, technical player. One of Kevin's greatest assets is his quickness in the open field."

"Devon is a truly exciting player to watch," Apple says. "He has the confidence and skill to beat defenders one-on-one and is able to get the ball to players in scoring positions. In addition to his passing abilities, he is going to score his share of goals for the team."

Richards, a 5-foot-9 midfielder, recently was named to the Bermuda National team. For the past three years, he has attended St. Andrews College in Aurora, Ontario, where his team has been undefeated the last two years.

"Kevin's promotion to the national team in Bermuda is a testament to his hard work and dedication," Apple says. "He has a tremendous work ethic on the field and is a sound, technical player. One of Kevin's greatest assets is his quickness in the open field."

Prescod, a 5-foot-7 forward, led his team to three Georgia Open Cup championships Prescod also helped his club team to two consecutive semi-final appearances at the Dallas Cup in both '98 and '99.

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Riley is a 5-foot-8 midfielder, a native of Houston, Tex. who has been living since August in Weybridge, England. He currently is playing for Walton & Hersham club team there and also has trained with Fulham Portsmouth, one of the top youth club teams in England.

A member of the under-18 national team pool, he played for two years at Cypress Springs High School where he earned All-Greater Houston area first-team honors. Riley served as captain of the Region III ODP team in Houston. He also has been a member of the Houston Hurricanes club team for several years.

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Indian tribe to sponsor Pads

Associated Press

SAN DIEGO

An Indian tribe that runs a casino in San Diego County will be the title sponsor of the San Diego Padres' 2000 season.

It's believed to be the first time a major league franchise has sold such a sponsorship. The Sycuan tribe will pay more than $1.5 million, with some of the money going directly to the Padres and the rest going to radio and TV advertising, two sources familiar with the negotiations told The Associated Press on condition of anonymity.

San Diego's season will be marketed much like a bowl game or golf tournament is. A logo reading "Padres 2000, presented by Sycuan" will be used on club publications, at the ballpark and in advertising.

The logo, which will include the team's Swinging Friar mascot and palm trees — several palm trees are just beyond the outfield fence at Qualcomm Stadium — will not be worn on the players' uniforms.

"This is an attractive deal for us, and a gigantic exposure for them," said Lucchino, who also helped pioneer exotic road trips in recent years, with his team making two treks to Monterrey, Mexico, and one to Honolulu.

"We think of it as a cutting edge advertising arrangement. It's part of an aggressive effort on our part to find new revenue streams wherever we can because of our status in the baseball hierarchy."

The Padres say they have sustained operating losses since software mogul John Moores bought the team in December 1994, with Lucchino as a minority partner.

Freshman center Ivan Karetlo dunks the ball over a West Virginia player in a game earlier this season. Karetlo and the rest of the bench will have to pick up their play if they hope to knock off the Wildcats.

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Medley scored just three points in his place. Sales led the way for Villanova with 17 points.

Notre Dame is currently sixth in the conference, while Villanova is eighth. The Irish need a win tonight if they hope to keep their NCAA Tournament hopes alive.

After the Villanova game, Notre Dame returns home to take on defending national champion Connecticut, before traveling to Seton Hall on Feb. 19.

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Irish doubles fall early at Rolex

By KEVIN BERCHOU
Sports Writer

Some things just aren't meant to be.

The women's tennis team's foray into the Rolex National Intercollegiate Tennis Championships ended abruptly as both doubles pairings lost early.

The 10th-ranked tandem of junior Michelle Dasso and sophomore Becky Varnum could not rally from a first-set deficit and fell 6-3, 4-6, 6-1 to California's Claire Curran and Ana Kuriyama in the opening round.

The coupling of junior Kimberly Gay and freshman Katie Cunha fared no better, dropping their first match (6-3, 6-4) to Lindsay Blau and Michelle Gough of Arizona.

Both losses, however, came against sound competitors; California went on to place fourth in the nation and Arizona's Blau and Gough advanced to the finals.

Gay and Cunha were unable to salvage any pride in the consolation round as they dropped a tough match (6-3, 5-7, 6-4) to Southern Methodist's Lindsay Bruce and Megan Ruscetti.

Despite the losses, head coach Jay Lauderback was not dissatisfied with his team's effort.

"I thought we played pretty well," Lauderback said. "Unfortunately we were in a tough draw, but I thought we fought hard.

Dasso and Varnum qualified for the Rolex invite with their victory in the Intercollegiate Tennis Association Midwest Region Doubles finals last fall, while Gay and Cunha were selected on the basis of their No. 15 national ranking.

The Irish women look to rebound when regular season play resumes Friday against the Terrapins of Maryland.

Women ski team captures first place

Special to The Observer

The powerful one-two punch of Nikki Douillet and Molly Munsterer rattled the women of the ski club to another first-place team finish last weekend at Schuss Mountain in Michigan.

Douillet captured the slalom event event as Munsterer finished closing a second. The two reversed their finish in the giant slalom Sunday.

The entire women's team faced four events. Junior Jen Casswell placed fourth in the slalom and fifth in the giant slalom. Ellen Block captured eighth and ninth respectively, and Elisabeth Finnes finished top 10 in the slalom.

The team far outdistanced its league opponents, Michigan State, Grand Valley, Michigan and Western Michigan. The Irish are poised to capture the MCCA divisional championships this week.

Despite the men's team's last-place finish, freshman Mike Ryan's performance portends a promising future.

Ryan does it after his first run, but wiped out on the second run to drop to 14th. Eric Hansen and Alex Faule were next for the Irish in the Giant Slalom, finishing 23rd and 24th, respectively.

Water polo

The women's water polo club rebounded from a stinging 12-6 opening loss to Miami (Ohio) to rout the rest of the field in the Midwest Conference Regionals.

Laurie Healy's three goals were not enough as the Red Hawks of Miami garnered a measure of revenge. It was the Irish who dethroned the three-time champion Red Hawks last year in the championship.

In the second round, Notre Dame defeated Ohio University, 15-6, as Jen Beranek tallied four goals and Liz Paradie three.

Liz Kurnn was the back of the net six times as Bowling Green fell victim to Notre Dame 15-8 in the third round.

Notre Dame closed out competition by handling host Western Michigan 11-1.

This weekend, the Irish will look to even the score at the Miami Invitational, featuring a strong 12-team field. The club opens against Illinois and Maryland in the first two rounds.

Gymnastics

The gymnastics club opened its season at the Miami Cup this weekend with solid showings.

Strong performances propelled the men's team to a third-place standing in a strong field.

Captain Jason Miller earned fifth all-around, based on his third-place finish in the high bar, fourth in the rings and sixth in the vault.

Mickey McGarvey claimed the only first-place finish for Notre Dame, winning with a standout effort in the vault.

Ryan Cox's second spot in the bars and Erin Hetty's third place in the vault and fifth in the bars highlighted the women's competition.

The Irish will next compete in Purdue's Golden Gips Classic on Feb. 19.

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NCAA Basketball

Siemon, Ratay earn honors

Special to The Observer

Junior forward Kelley Siemon has been named the Big East co-player of the week and freshman guard Alex Ratay has been selected the Big East co-rookie of the week after leading the fifth-ranked Notre Dame to a 2-0 last week with a 79-60 win over Providence and 72-59 victory over 14th-ranked Boston College.

Siemon, who shares the award with Georgetown's Kalie Smrcka-Duffy, is a first-time honoree. She averaged 17.0 points and 10.5 rebounds last week. Against Providence, Siemon scored a career-high 23 points and grabbed seven rebounds. In the Boston College contest, she recorded her first double-double of the season and second of her career as she scored 13 points and grabbed a personal high 14 rebounds.

She shot 15-of-20 from the field in the two games and also played a career-high 36 minutes against the Eagles.

Ratay shares co-rookie-of-the-week recognition with Mandy Wittenmyer of Pittsburgh and earns the honor for the fourth time this season. She averaged 13.0 points and 2.9 rebounds as she scored 14 points and grabbed three rebounds against Providence and then followed that game with a 12-point and six-rebound performance against the Eagles.

Notre Dame is currently 19-2 on the season, 10-0 in the BIG EAST, and has tied a school-record with 15 consecutive victories.

Kelly Siemon defends Boston College guard Nicole Conway in a game last week. Siemon was named Big East co-player of the week for her outstanding play.
TOM KEELEY

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Sachire falls to Andersson in Rolex quarters

By RACHEL BIBER
Sports Writer

Sachire pulled the best aspects of his game together to advance to the quarterfinals of the Rolex National Intercollegiate Indoor Championships, only to be halted by top-seeded and second-ranked Daniel Andersson of Virginia Commonwealth (6-3, 6-2). Sachire was just one stop on Andersson’s road to the championship, which he took all in convincing style with a 6-4, 6-2 victory over Florida’s Jeff Morrison.

Despite Andersson’s hot streak, Sachire stood as an formidable opponent against the top seed. In three of the pair’s last four meetings, Sachire proved victorious. Sachire defeated Andersson in the 1997 NCAA first round as a freshman, in the 1997 ITA All-American Championship third round as a sophomore and in the 1999 Rolex National Indoors consolation singles final as a sophomore.

Andersson’s only win against Sachire came in the 1996 Rolex National Indoors consolation singles semifinal before bowing out of the tournament. Sixth-ranked All-American Sachire posted an impressive win over Louisiana State University’s 13th-ranked Tom Hand (6-3, 6-4) in the second round.

“I thought [Sachire] played extremely well against Hand,” Irish coach Bob Bayliss said. “In order to win the match, he had to return the serve with precision and power, and he did. He played one of his better matches of the year.”

Andersson’s comeback only marked his most successful trip indoors so far this year. The junior had to return the serve with precision and power, and he did. He played one of his better matches of the year.”

“I thought [Sachire] played extremely well against Hand,” Irish coach Bob Bayliss said. “In order to win the match, he had to return the serve with precision and power, and he did. He played one of his better matches of the year.”

“I didn’t really play as well as I was capable of [against Andersson],” Bayliss said. “But overall I was pretty pleased with the way I played.”

Ryan Sachire
men’s tennis player

Senior Ryan Sachire serves in a match at Big East Championships last season. Sachire fell in the quarterfinals of this weekend’s Rolex National Intercollegiate Indoor Championships to top-ranked Daniel Andersson.

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