Nobel laureate discusses experiences in Northern Ireland

By TOM ENRIGHT

Children need a greater voice in world affairs, according to Nobel laureate Betty Williams, who spoke at Notre Dame on Friday. Co-winner of the 1976 Nobel Peace Prize, Williams gave a lecture highlighting her personal experiences working for peace and the protection of children. She received her Nobel Prize for her work in Northern Ireland. Co-founder of the Peace People Organization, Williams became involved in the peace movement after witnessing the death of three children killed by the driver of an IRA getaway van. On this day Williams refers to them as her "wee angels."

"To do this work is to work with the intangible," said Williams about her work for peace. "People — people pray for it — dance for it, but to work for it is another thing."

Williams spoke from a Catholic point of view about conditions in Northern Ireland that contributed to the violence between its Catholic and Protestant residents. Saying that she sees the opportunity for peace in the region, Williams praised John Hume and David Trimble, co-recipients of the Nobel Peace Prize in 1998, for their work in advancing peace in Northern Ireland.

Williams also spoke about her feelings on war and violence and how her work has changed her. "When a child dies in war by force it is an affront to ... a mother," she said.

Admitting that she had to learn the art of non-violence, Williams said that it was a gradual transformation that led her to condemn physical aggression. She challenged the view that accidental deaths are an unavoidable part of fighting.

"Have you ever heard of an accidental war?" asked Williams. "The only thing changing is that it's getting smarter."

The Nobel laureate also criticized those who interweave religion with war. "God has nothing to do with war. You shouldn't bless men to kill," she said.

"The peace movement was born out of the suffering of children," said Williams. "A mother of two, Williams believed that she had her experiences in Belfast for a purpose. She related a story of a starving mother that she met in Somalia who had been forced to choose which of her two children to feed since she didn't have enough milk for both. Both children ended up dying. The mother herself then died while Williams was visiting the area.

"Religion should be acts and reflection," said Williams. "Real patriots don't just wave flags. They help their neighbors."

Williams also pointed out other leaders in the world that have turned to peaceful means rather than violence to combat social wrongs. Lech Walesa of Poland and Bishop Desmond Tutu and Nelson Mandela of South Africa all demonstrated positive examples of leaders who chose relatively peaceful change over violence. Addressing problems of violence and children in the United States, Williams stated her concern that children see too much violence on television. The newspapers, she said, are also filled with bad news.

Presently a professor in Women's Studies and Peace Studies at Florida Atlantic University, Williams also directs a program at the University of Notre Dame that raises money for a mission in Bangladesh, featured Mohammed Ali labove, with women's boxing captain Meghan McCurdy as a special guest.

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Learning to roll

Sometimes, it’s good to come tumbling down. I’m not the most coordinated person you’ll meet. It took me three months to learn to ride a two-wheeled second grade — I spent the majority of grade school with bandages across my knees, and in later years, these injuries have developed into an in­visible knack for falling down the stairs.

So imagine me on rollerblades. As dull as it may sound, the idea of gliding around on shoes with little wheels was incredibly intriguing to me. It looked so easy — all these people gliding around with the greatest of ease that I thought klutz can do it, right?

Uh, wrong.

Aware I couldn’t take any chances, I strapped on my skating gear — kneepads, wrist guards and elbow pads — and attempted to get up. Within five seconds, I realized I would not be one of those graceful gliding bodies. Instead of flying over the concrete with the greatest of ease, I tumbled to the ground in a startling slump. There was nothing graceful at all in sight.

Great, just great. I’d only been on these thing for five seconds, and already had taken a face plant into the cement. I knew if I was going to complete this mission, I had to get up. So, I grabbed my friend’s hand, shakily rolled back up to a standing position and started to reenact my way back to the avenue, I considered myself a pro.

Slowly, but I was going somewhere. Finally! I had navigated my way through the grotto, and with several corporations until they meet certain environmental standards.

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Missile expert still in Chinese jail

A former researcher at Stanford’s Center for International Security and Cooperation, who was sen­tenced to 15 years in a Chinese jail last year for “leaking state secrets,” is seeking medical parole because he has cancer, his sister announced Wednesday in a press release.

Hua Di, 63, is suffering from a rare form of male breast cancer. Both Hua’s family, researchers at the center and the United Nations are working as quickly as possible to get Hua released.

“I’m convinced that Hua Di does need attention of a global nature,” said John gamm, director of the Project in Human Rights Diplomacy at Stanford.

Hua’s sister has hired a lawyer to seek his medical parole. She has also appealed to U.N. Human Rights Commissioner Mary Robinson. Robinson is in Beijing on a three-day visit to try to release Hua.

President Clinton, Secretary of State Madeleine Albright and Political Science Prof. Emeritus John Lewis have all made repeat trips to Beijing in an attempt to release Hua on humanitarian grounds.

Outside the Dome

Ivy Leaguers refuse employment for environment

NEW YORK

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Harvard activists hold ‘teach-ins’

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. More than 30 student activists evaded Harvard University Police Department (HPD) officers and stopped three consecutive “teach-ins” to argue for a living wage Thursday morning, disrupting administrators in Mass Hall, the Harvard Office of Labor Relations and the University Development Office.

Supporters of the campaign, which demands a mini­mum $10 per hour wage for all Harvard employees, stormed into each office with a prepared presentation of graphs, charts and worker testimonies. When HPD officers arrived, the protesters dispersed, met again at a prearranged spot and moved on to the Harvard Undergraduate Student Assembly to support the students’ cause.

The Progressive Student Labor Movement (PSLM) spearheads both the living wage and the anti-sweatshop campaigns, but most activism so far this year, both nationally and at Harvard, has centered around sweat­shop policy.

Yesterday’s action, coinciding with an ongoing three­day sit-in at Johns Hopkins University, was the first in several months for the living wage campaign.

“It kept us visible and reasserted the goals of the living wage campaign,” said Rosy Ray, a PSLM member.

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SMC lecture series to focus on martyrs

By KATIE MCVOY

Last night began a series of Lenten lectures at Saint Mary's on the martyrs of El Salvador. Marie Dennis, director of the Maryknoll Office for Global Concerns, will be giving the lectures in Stapleton Lounge Monday and Tuesday nights as well.

The lectures will focus on the men and women martyred in El Salvador during the 17-year civil war. Sunday's lecture focused on Archbishop Oscar Romero, who was assassinated in the diocese of San Salvador in 1980. Dennis used Romero's story to illustrate the importance of finding life in the resurrection.

From 1975 to 1992, approximately 75,000 people were killed in the Salvadoran civil war. Although geo-political issues and not religious motivations fueled the war, many of those who died were church workers who were martyred for their faith. Ninety-two percent of the killings were committed by the army or army groups, said Dennis.

At that time the Catholic Church in El Salvador underwent a change. Religious workers were invited to accompany the poor. "The church moved from traditional church work to the reality of poverty," Dennis said. "The theology of liberation began to emerge, and this theology intersected with political and ideological ideas."

Romero was the Archbishop of the diocese of San Salvador. Early in his career he was very conservative, but following the death of his close friend Battalion Grande, he underwent a transformation. According to Ernesto Rivera, a close friend of Romero's, Grande's words passed into Romero. Romero became a servant of the people. As his vision of how life in El Salvador became sharper, he was pulled more and more by opposing forces. On one side he was urged by revolutionaries to confront the government. On the other hand, he was encouraged by wealthy citizens and other bishops of the church to settle down. He would often "pull away to prayer, almost expecting an answer. It seems he often got them," Dennis said.

Romero was assassinated at the Chapel of Divina Providencia on March 24, 1980. Moments before his death he said, "As a Christian, I don't believe in death without resurrection. If I am killed, I will rise again in the people of El Salvador."

Dennis said that the challenge for today's Catholic is to look at the story as we journey to new creation in the Lenten season. "We too are invited to allow the blood nourished seeds of liberation to grow in our souls to move with [Romero] in the current of history that knows death is not the end."

When asked what was especially poignant about this story for today's college students, Dennis said that the oppression happened to students as well. "Some of the worst repression occurred in the universities beginning in 1980 when the students were organizing for a social change. Many fled the country and didn't return to their lives until they were in their thirties. You are living the story that was stolen away."

The lectures will continue this week. Monday night's lecture will focus on four women missionaries martyred in El Salvador and Tuesday night's lecture will focus on Jesuit martyrs.

ND to hold memorial Mass

Special to The Observer

A memorial Mass for the late-Father Richard McCormick, professor emeritus of Christian ethics, will be celebrated Tuesday at 3:30 p.m. in the Basilica of the Sacred Heart.

McCormick, who died Feb. 12 at Columbus Center in Clarkston, Mich., was an internationally renowned moral theologian who taught in medical ethics. He had taught at Notre Dame since 1986. He previously was the Rose F. Kennedy Professor of Christian ethics in Georgetown University's Kennedy Center for Bioethics from 1973-86 and a professor of moral theology at the School of Theology in Chicago from 1957-73.

Born Oct. 3, 1922 in Toledo, Ohio, McCormick entered the Society of Jesus in 1940 and graduated from Loyola University in Chicago five years later. He obtained a master's degree from Loyola in 1950 and in 1953 was ordained to the priesthood.

In 1957 he obtained his doctoral degree in theology from the Gregorian University in Rome.
Debate team competes on national level

By STACEY KAPLAN
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The debate team will cap off their season this weekend at the National Parliamentary Debate Association's (NAPDA) National Tournament at Creighton University in Omaha, Neb. Currently ranked 15th in the nation, this team is a mere three points away from the top five, and is hoping to perform well enough at nationals to secure a top-20 spot.

"It's like the NCAA basketball tournament. We could start winning and end up with the Final Four," said sophomore team member and co-treasurer Will McDonald. "A top-10 finish is within reach. It's very tangible for our team."

McDonald said that the team has been intimidating. "It's strange to have a clear idea of what your success this year because the program had fallen into disrepair. It's pretty surprising to everyone," McDonald said.

"We put too much pressure on ourselves. They got frustrated coming against people who are seniors, and I have to remind them that they are all young. I have no doubt that in two years one of them will be the national champion. That's how good they are."

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Champion cyclist kidnapped, forced to hike seven hours

BOGOTA, Colombia

A retired cycling star was freed Sunday, one day after suspected left-wing rebels kidnapped him from his family's farm. The 1987 Tour of Spain champion, Luis Alberto Herrera, 38, said his day after seeing television reports showing the massive military search-and-rescue operation launched in response to the abduction. No group claimed responsibility for the kidnapping, which provoked national outrage. But police officials said the region is a stronghold of Colombia's largest guerrilla faction, the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia, or FARC. Colombia's left-wing rebels increasingly depend on extortion and kidnapping for ransom to fund their nearly 40-year campaign against the government. Herrera, 38, said his captors braided him well, but he was forced to hike for seven hours through the mountains to return home.

CDC says more handwashing could cut infection rates

ATLANTA

Infections contracted in hospitals kill as many as 98,000 people each year, a number that could be reduced with increased use of technology and simple measures such as more frequent hand washing, a researcher said Sunday at a conference on preventing and reducing healthcare-associated infections in Atlanta. Dr. Richard P. Wenzel, chairman of the internal medicine department at the Medical College of Virginia, said new devices such as railers coated with antibodies have proven effective against infection spread at health facilities. But these are still far more costly than simple but equally necessary steps as getting doctors and nurses to wash their hands after every patient contact, he said. "Hand-washing is cheap, but the impact from it is great," Wenzel said.

Seaweed trade benefits town

COROAL, Chile

A diver tethered in a rowboat descends into the calm bay and resurfaces moments later with a bag full of the tangled seaweed known locally as pelillo or little hair. This harvest is an important one for the people who live simply in this remote town on Chile's southern coast. They don't eat the seaweed — but it helps them eat. The pelillo is converted into the fine, cream-colored powder of pure agar, most of which is shipped more than 10,000 miles across the Pacific to Japan, where it is used in noodles, candies, cosmetics, pharmaceauticals and other products.

Infuriated villagers rioted and set trucks ablaze Sunday following the death of 16-year-old Samah Mustafa, who was killed by a speeding truck while crossing a Highway nine miles north of Cairo. Protestors blamed Mustafa's death on authorities' failure to build flood barriers.

Girl's death spurs rioting, burning

Thousands of villagers rioted Sunday, hurling rocks at motorists and setting vehicles ablaze after a speeding truck killed a 16-year-old girl, a police official said.

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US soldiers pitch tents for evacuees

ANISLAG, Philippines

U.S. soldiers pitched tent shelters Sunday to relieve overcrowding at evacuation centers where tens of thousands of people have been living to escape a volcanic eruption. The soldiers have been training with, and police, some wearing yellow hard hats and orange vests, unloaded the relief goods as smiling evacuees milled around. Officials said up to 3,000 people could be accommodated in the tents. The disturbance caused a traffic jam stretching to the outskirts of Cairo. Road accidents resulting from reckless driving along Egypt's main roads claim thousands of lives every year. Traffic figures for 1998 reveal that over 6,000 people were killed in accidents.
Pontiff beatifies 44 martyrs at ceremony

Associated Press

From Polish nuns executed by Nazis to victims of 17th-century religious warfare in Brazil, Pope John Paul II honored 44 martyrs Sunday, bringing up their lives as profiles in courage for today's Roman Catholics. The honor, called beatification, is the last formal step before the process of sainthood can begin.

Among those declared blessed during the ceremony on a spring-like day in St. Peter's Square was Vietnam's first martyr, Andre de Phu Yen. He was beheaded at age 16 and deemed worthy to be considered a saint three years later in 1644, when he refused to renounce Christianity.

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MOZAMBIQUE

Flood survivors return to devastation

Associated Press

CHR V E

With floodwaters subsiding under a baking sun, hundreds of exhausted people struggled home to the southern town of Chokwe on Sunday, searching for homes and belongings amid collapsed buildings, ruined crops and bodies buried in dried earth.

The returning residents of Chokwe were among the thousands of Mozambicans who were trying to fathom what remained of their hardscrabble lives made all the worse by devastating floods.

United Nations and aid agency officials said Sunday the international relief operation in this southeast African nation was shifting from those threatened with drowning to distributing food and water to desperate survivors. Between 800,000 and 1 million people lost their homes in the deluge and were in urgent need of help, they said.

President Joaquim Chissano said in the capital, Maputo, that flood victims would need outside food aid for at least 10 months. Josafina Macha, a more fortunate than many in Chokwe, 126 miles north of Maputo, he recovered hundreds of ears of corn, which he will use for seed when he plants again. On Sunday, the ears were laid out to dry on a sheet of plastic.

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Chris Horta
aid worker

On Sunday, a path, Paineta Khoza was going to die because no other aid has arrived. As the water quickly rose, she laid alone for six days until the waters receded. Someone returning to town put her on the ground, where she remained unattended until two workers from the aid group Doctors Without Borders brought her to their medical station.

"I'm dying," she whispered. "I haven't eaten since last Sunday.

"When the floodwaters hit Chokwe on Feb. 27, Khoza was hospitalized with tuberculosis. Flooding medical workers placed her atop a junked pickup truck as the water quickly rose. There she laid alone for six days until the waters receded.

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As the swollen Limpopo and Save rivers rose, rescue workers and aid officials said the risk of drowning had diminished.

What now faced flood survivors was the scramble for food and clean water.

"The rescue phase is coming to a close," said Ross Mountain, a United Nations special envoy, who spent two days flying over still submerged parts of the southeast African nation.

Relief efforts focused instead on distributing aid to desperate survivors, many of whom were still only accessible by air, said Brenda Barton, a spokeswoman for the United Nations World Food Program.

Fights broke out in camps as survivors, ravenous and thirsty after being stranded in trees and on rooftops for up to a week, clambered for food.

A total of 37 helicopters and 15 planes delivered aid on Sunday, mostly in the Limpopo river valley, 125 miles northeast of the capital, Maputo. Barton said another two helicopters were ferrying stranded people to locations where relief groups were attempting to distribute the emergency supplies, she said.

In neighboring South Africa, 32 aircraft from McGuire Air Force Base in New Jersey and Dover Air Force Base in Delaware arrived at Hoedspruit air base on Sunday to set up aid operations for up to 600 American troops.

Mountain said many survivors were ignoring the pleas of aid workers and government officials and returning to flooded areas, raising the possibility they may need to be rescued again if heavy rains and flooding resume.

The remnants of Cyclone Gloria, which together with a steady, two-week downpour caused the deluge, have been downgraded to a tropical storm. The storm hovered over the Indian Ocean off the coast of Mozambique on Sunday, and was expected to bring more rain, Mountain said.

Mozambican weather forecasters said. Although the relief effort was gaining pace, President Joachim Chissano said the international community had been slow to respond to the catastrophe, an allegation the U.N. envoy denied.

"It does take time to get helicopters from Europe. We need to be realistic," Mountain said. More than $40 million had already been pledged for emergency relief and reconstruction, he said.
California residents vote on gay marriage

Associated Press

NEWPORT BEACH, Calif. The pastor of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church told his congregation Sunday that he welcomes gay people into his church. But he doesn't want them marrying.

Dr. John Huffman said he supports Proposition 22, the controversial measure on Tuesday's ballot that would bar gay marriages from official recognition in California.

"Love the sinner, hate the sin," Huffman said. "I am not prepared to declare that what the Bible says is sin is no longer sin."

With the election just two days away, churchgoers around California struggled with how to vote on a measure that has galvanized and divided the religious community.

Leaders of Mormon, Roman Catholic and evangelical Christian churches support Proposition 22. Three Southern California bishops — Episcopal, Lutheran and Methodist — issued a joint statement opposing the measure.

The issue was on the minds of 200 Mormons gathering at a suburban Sacramento church for a monthly sacrament meeting. Church member John Tennant urged the congregation to pray for Proposition 22's passage.

In liberal San Francisco, a forum at an Episcopal church failed to attract any proponents of the measure.

San Francisco Supervisor Mark Leno, who is gay, called the proposition "mean-spirited," and said he would vote for it to make the initiative a necessary preemptive strike.

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The infections typically are caused by catheters, intravenous lines and breathing tubes common to most hospital stays. Such devices allow bacteria easy entry into the body.

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Study: Hand-washing stops infection

ATLANTA Infections contracted in hospitals kill as many as 88,000 people each year, a number that could be reduced with increased use of technology and simple measures such as more frequent hand washing, a researcher said Sunday at a conference on the problem.

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Bradley, McCain struggle as 'Super Tuesday' approaches

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Fighting to stay alive, Republican John McCain on Sunday questioned whether George W. Bush is "ready for prime time."

As a Democrat, Bill Bradley suggested that voters can "barely tolerate" Al Gore, as the presidential nomination races head for a climactic multistate showdown Tuesday.

"A happy life," McCain replied, when asked what was a worse fate if he fared poorly.

The two underdogs expressed confidence as they made the TV talk show rounds, even as aides braced for the worst by quietly making plans for dignified exits.

Bradley advisers acknowledged he has little chance of becoming the vice president's grip on every "Super Tuesday" state. The McCain team held out hope for an election night surprise.

Despite months of acrimony, McCain tried not running as a third-party candidate, and both underdogs said they could support their rivals in defeat. McCain, stung by negative ads, qualified his pledge to back the GOP nominee if it is Bush.

"I expect Governor Bush to change. I expect him to run an entirely different campaign than the kind that he's run in this primary," he told reporters.

"Speaking with reporters Sunday in Oakland, Calif., a confident Bush said he had plans for the party when he becomes its nominee for president.

"I intend to unify the party and then I intend to reach out like I've done in the state of Texas and attract voters who may not have come into our primary," the Texas governor said.

Republicans compete Tuesday in 13 states for 613 delegates, and Democrats battle in 15 states for 1,315 delegates -- more than half the total each party requires of its nominees. Spanning from Maine to California, the contests amounted to the closest the country has ever come to a national primary.

While Bradley is foundering across the board, McCain is doing well in New England but is threatened by the Texas governor everywhere else.

• New York is close, with new polls giving Bush an edge.

• Bush holds a yawning lead over McCain among California Republicans, who award 162 delegates in the winner-take-all primary. The Arizona senator could still win the state's nonbinding popular vote, which would give him shaky platform to argue he is the better general election candidate. Of that scenario, Bush said: "First it's important to get the delegates. The delegates are what determine who becomes the nominee."

• Bush holds wide leads in Georgia, Missouri and Ohio.

Their battleground shrinking, McCain advisers believe he must win New York, Ohio, all of New England and the nonbinding popular vote in California to stay in the race.

Campaign manager Rick Davis called Ohio "the sleeper story," because McCain must overcome a 25-point deficit in the polls to make his long-shot scenario a reality.

Campaigning in New York and Ohio, McCain unleashed a searching indictment of Bush's environmental record in Texas, as well as his presidential campaign tactics.

"They're getting more and more like the Clinton campaign," McCain said in Cleveland, comparing the 1996 Clinton administration fund-raising scandal to a $2 million ad campaign by Bush allies.

"In Texas the governor denied involvement in the ad campaign, but refused to ask his allies to pull the ads, saying, 'That's what free speech is all about,'" McCain said.

"McCain's commitment to fight breast cancer. McCain's sister suffers from the disease, and Bush said last week that "I wonder if someone who would treat a situation like that is ready for prime time," McCain said Sunday, his eyes narrowing as he shrugged his shoulders.

He compared Bush in Steve Forbes, whose picked apart Bob Dole's Senate record in the 1996 GOP primary.

"This kind of negative attack just shows that Bush wants to win in the worst way," said McCain, who appeared on CBS's "Face the Nation" and NBC's "Meet the Press."

Bush said McCain's position on breast cancer is documentable on the Internet site. "My response (to McCain) is the Republican Party and independents are going to nominate me because I'm talking about things that matter to Americans," said Bush, who appeared on CBS and ABC's "This Week."

Bradley was less critical of his rival than McCain, but passed up a chance to say Gore was honorable. "I think he distorted the record," he said. "I had hoped that we could get to an election where people could be choosing between two politicians they esteem as opposed to one they can barely tolerate."

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Democratic presidential candidate
The water bottle itself isn’t to blame for Wednesday night’s incident. Whoever sold the water bottle wasn’t the only person at fault was the kid who threw the water bottle. No one disputes that. But when two teenagers plot for over a year to murder their fellow students, fingers are pointed at the guns; whoever sold them, the NRA, video games, MTV, Hollywood — in short, anyone and everyone except Dylan Klebold and Eric Harris.

When a six-year-old grows up in a decrepit home environment surrounded by guns and drugs and then shoots Kayla Rolland, a six-year-old classmate, President Clinton blames the Republican-led Congress. "They have done nothing and meanwhile, every single day there is 13 children who die from guns in this country." Gun control advocates believe that their programs can prevent future Columbines. But the 20,000 gun laws that are already on the books haven’t stopped anything. What makes them so sure that the 20,000 laws will work? The plain and simple truth is in everyone’s face. The four areas with the strictest gun control laws in the nation are New York City, Chicago, Los Angeles and Washington, D.C. Fourteen percent of America’s murders occur in those havens of gun-control legislation. Why is that? Well, the phrase may be cliché or state the obvious, but when guns are outlawed, only outlaws will have guns. “Common criminals can get weapons as easily as fans can get water bottles — legislation or no legislation in areas where it is next to impossible for law-abiding citizens to exercise their Second Amendment rights, the criminals are the market cornered.

But where guns are less restricted, crimes go down. Professor John Lott of the University of Chicago noted that “when state concealed handgun laws went into effect in a county, murders fell by 8.5 percent, and rapes and aggravated assaults fell by five percent and seven percent, respectively.” In fact, the reason why a school rampage in Pearl, Miss. ended was that Joel Myrick, the assistant principal, went to his car to get his gun. So what can be done? Stop one is to properly prosecute illegal uses of firearms. A Syracuse University study found that from 1992 to 1998, prosecution of illegal uses of firearms dropped 46 percent. However, prosecution has to be done without punishing responsible gun owners.

In 1997, criminalologist Gary Kleck estimated that more than 2.3 million people a year defend themselves lawfully with firearms. But no one ever hears about this fact because of the din of the constant drum-beating for gun-control legislation targeted at responsible gun owners.

For example, President Clinton’s latest brainchild are so-called "smart guns"— weapons electronically protected so only the adult owner can use them. Why is this even an option? If the mothers of the six-year-old in Michigan was a responsible gun owner, these gadgets wouldn’t have been necessary. If irresponsible gun owners were punished properly, there would be no need for this legislation.

The Washington Times states, “What matters is who has his hands on the weapon — not the weapon itself.” It sounds so simple: throw a water bottle, you’re in blame, you go unpunished. When I was a kid, I was always told that “when you point your finger at someone, you have three fingers pointing back at you.” Gun-control activists should heed this advice instead of continuing to push worthless legislation while blaming everything else for today’s gun problems.

Mike Marchand is an off-campus junior English major who believes we should flush the guy who threw the water bottle on Wednesday night. Then throw things at him while he’s taking his midterms. This column appears every other Monday and his e-mail address is Marchand31@d. nd.edu.

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"In Columbine, those two murderers broke 18 laws on the books. You could pass 50, but the problem is, bad people still do bad things."  

Wayne LaPierre  
Vice-President of the National Rifle Association
It seems we are all agreed that the "waterboy" crossed the line. That line is one we all walk every day and sometimes cross ourselves. It just didn't fit in a very pub­
lic and juve­

nile way.

There is no excuse for what he did. Despite two warm­

ing up, including a direct appeal

from the coach, he could not

overcome the childish impulse to throw Powerade bottles in frustr­

ation. The extent of the stupidity of his action has been thoroughly expounded in various formats by students, alumni and staff, in various cam­

pus and other media outlets.

Some of the discourses (particu­

larly those on Internet boards) have demon­

strated that the waterboy is not alone in being unable to deal with his emotions appropriately. While these postings are unlikely to cost the men's basketball team postseason chances, they reflect a level of immaturity and poor judg­

ment on par with that shown by the waterboy himself.

His misbehavior has also

brought the image of the student

body nationwide into direc­tion

of others in the crowd had done it. At Notre Dame, there were several people in tuxedos and fur coats. This was the weekend to recognize schol­

arship and fellowship donors. The Basilica is a small church. How impor­

tant is it that someone sits in the center aisle, the center section is
data missing or corrupted - unreadable
Farley boasts history of cherry bombs and smokers

“Vermins hope their dorm will become a destination for dining,” says Farley resident Amanda Baker. “I have smoked before, once or twice. Okay, it was more like four or five. Well, I guess I smoke occasionally. Only about one cigarette a day. But I would not call myself a ‘smoker.’”

Other Farley residents echo this fear of being typecast. “It’s not as if every person in this dorm smokes,” says sophomore Susan Waidler. “One girl in my section doesn’t.”

Hall co-president Jenny Graczy notes that the little-front porch sheltering nicotine addicts is not the only remarkable thing about Farley Hall. “We are a close dorm with many great activities and a rich history,” she says.

Farley Hall, after its opening in 1942, housed 290 freshmen men. In the pre-mod quad days, it was thought to be almost off-campus. The male residents were not known as smokers, but instead got the reputation for having the healthiest legs on campus because of the long walk to South Dining Hall, a full 965 steps by one resident’s count.

Father Theodore Hesburgh, among various other accomplishments, was the first rector of Farley. At the time, Father Hesburgh divided his time between writing a book, teaching four classes, heading the theology department and turning the freshmen men—the last, perhaps the most daunting of the tasks. This year at a Farley Mass, Father Hesburgh related the story of a hall cigarette girl. Early dawn on a snowy day. A large box, the Vermins’ walk to O’Shag or North Dining Hall (although on nice days many girls still make the 965 step trek to South for the arguably better food).

Farley residents may or may not fit the smoker stereotype, the majority of girls are ready to praise their residence hall. Perhaps their love grows from the little porch where they can find smoking camaraderie, but more likely, they love Farley for one of the other aforementioned reasons.

Once thought to be on the edge of campus, Farley’s location lets residents socialize on North Quad. Above, Joe Peace, Marcia Buescher, Michelle Wallin and Jon Stoner enjoy the unseasonably warm weather.

Carroll is hotbed of politics, service and unity

This time of year is particularly difficult for the residents of Carroll Hall. The early morning walk across the frozen tundra, otherwise known as South Quad, can be dreadful. Minus the heat of the sun, a pin drop can be heard. The Psychology Department students joke that the Carroll dorm is so cold, it is like the room was built in the dead of winter.

The residents of the Logan Center have enjoyed talking about the cashier man from Wolfe’s to their room to watch the second quarter of the game. Carroll Hall also wants to give everyone on campus a chance to see what it is like to be a Vermin for a day. In the opposite end of the spectrum in relation to the bigger dorms, the Vermins’ walk to O’Shag or Debrauto can take up to 35 minutes. That student in your 3:30 a.m. class who always walks in five minutes late with feasibility on his face is probably from Carroll. And the long walk from Carroll in the South Dining Hall has led to a close relationship between Carroll residents and the Pizza Man.

However, the Vermin take their unique position in stride and with a sense of humor. During the Super Bowl, and the Pizza Man.

Carroll residents reveal their camaraderie and creativity while listening to music played by Tony Weaver.

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Acknowledging good-byes: a tip to graduating seniors

Many times, instead of doing the hard work of talking about and inviting people to share their perspectives, people create artificial and friendships that once meant so much start to feel strained. Individuals can also err in the other direction, feeling like every minute should be spent processing the status of the relationship and what will happen next. This was not the way anyone thought that second semester of senior year was going to be. After many months of the course of these years, surely awkwardness will not prevail. However, it does seem people are afraid to take the risk to do the hard work of acknowledging each other and accepting that people may feel differently about this semester, graduation, and life after graduation.

Why is it so hard to talk about these differences? We do not want to appear anxious, inadequate, unfamiliar or naive so we do not talk. We avoid talking or we pretend that everything is fine. Most people are too smart to buy this, which is why we along by not pointing out that there is discomfort. We usually believe that if we do not talk about it, it will go away and everything will be fine. It bears repeating: If there was every a time to respect individual differences, it is this. It is the task. The reason to go ahead in the other direction is that you may have different perspectives with your friends, and listen without judging if your own or your friends’ transition to graduation “Chalie.” Accept that you and your friends share this common experience, and try to understand each other. You are all going through many endings and beginnings, which naturally brings up feelings of loss, uncertainty, sadness, excitement, regrets, anxiety and anticipation. Every perception of time changes as you go through a transition. Whereas you used to primarily attend to the present, now your awareness of time expands to include the past, the present and the future. Give yourself and your friends permission to express what you are going through. Try not to let your discomfort with acknowledging good-byes get in the way of remaining connected. You may be going through this transition in your own unique ways, but your emotional and spiritual connection with your friends will transcend as you move on toward your journeys ahead.

The intent of this monthly series of articles is not to provide counseling but to provide information about a variety of mental health topics. To seek help with your indecipherable concerns, please contact the University Counseling Center at 631-7336 to schedule an appointment.

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Julia Roberts takes pride in Southern roots

Julia Roberts is proud to be a Southern girl.

The Smyrna, Ga., native told the New York Daily News for Sunday's editions that her Southern background “manifests in two ways.”

“Good manners and care taking. I say, ‘Please, thank you, sir, ma’am.’ I think I’m polite. I love to cook dinner and I keep the toilet scrubbied.”

Roberts’ new movie, “Erin Brockovich,” opens in theaters Friday. It's based on the true story of a single mother who comes across a case involving a huge cancer of a small town while working as a clerk in a Southern California law office.

“Erin is tenacious and completely believes in the idea of justice, that good will always prevails,” Roberts said.

Katie Couric’s cancer test to be televised

PHILADELPHIA

Today” show host Katie Couric took a camera crew along as she underwent a recent colonoscopy, a screening test for cancer.

The procedure will be shown Monday and Tuesday on the NBC morning show as part of a weeklong series on colon cancer.

Couric, 43, who was given a mild sedative for the test, discusses what is happening throughout.

“We’re showing it to demonstrate that there’s no reason people should be scared,” executive producer Jeff Zucker told The Philadelphia Inquirer for Sunday’s editions. “We try to do it with tremendous sensitivity. We don’t show a lot of her color. We’re not going to gross anybody out.”

Couric’s husband, NBC legal commentator Jay Monahan, died of colon cancer two years ago.

Heston cancels anti-gun rally appearance

DENVER

Charlton Heston has canceled a planned appearance at the kickoff of a campaign for a crackdown on gun crime.

The actor and leader of the National Rifle Association had agreed to share the stage with James Brady of Handgun Control at Monday’s public-awareness kickoff for Colorado Project Exile, a federal-state crackdown on gun-related crime.

“Were trying to get his schedule cleared up and it looked like that goal had been accomplished a couple of days ago, and other commitments overtook us,” National Rifle Association spokesman Bill Powers said late Friday.
No. 6 Irish struggle in quarterfinal victory over Hurricanes

By KERRY SMITH 
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STORRS, Conn. — They say the third time’s a charm. For the Notre Dame women, the Miami Hurricanes. Following their third win against Miami this season, the Irish knocked the Hurricanes out of the Big East Tournament at Gampel Pavilion at the University of Connecticut with a 67-52 quarterfinal win.

But the Hurricanes didn’t go out without a fight. With nothing to lose against the sixth-ranked team in the nation and the second seed in the tournament, the Hurricanes pulled out all the stops and made the Irish earn their spot in the semifinals.

And any Irish player will tell you it wasn’t easy.

“I didn’t want anyone to out-hustle us,” said Hurricanes guard Shelia Jones. “Because we knew that we had nothing to lose tonight. We left everything on the floor.”

That was an aggressive mental attitude that the Irish weren’t really ready for. Miami stepped on the court.

The old standbys were there — center Rachel Riley scored 18 and looked like an All-American in the first half. Miami didn’t tell that to Notre Dame. Riley was involved in 18 points and 14 rebounds, including seven in the first eight minutes of the second half as the Irish tried to keep their double-digit advantage.

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Ivey scored 13 points, while Green had 12 points to go with eight rebounds and four assists in 31 minutes.

Small forward Alicia Ratay shot just two for nine from the field, seven of eight field goals and 32 free throws in the final two minutes and let the Hurricanes hang close than they should have.

That was just what the Hurricanes wanted. Trailing by less than 10 points for most of the game, the Hurricanes believed they had a shot to pull off a huge upset and that mentality turned up their intensity. And it showed — when Miami stepped on the court after every break, they looked like they wanted it.

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The Irish had their ups and downs during the regular season, but they didn’t earn a 25-3 record with sloppy play. They have at times played to the level of their lesser competition, but have always stepped up for big games against ranked teams.

After the game, the Irish made it known that they are focused on the look at hand and plan on stepping on the court tonight with a different mindset.

And that’s what counts.

“The Irish played well enough to win, but not well enough to give big teams like Lacs and Rutgers that they are in it for the long haul,” said Irish head coach Muffet McGraw. “We needed to get our timing back.”

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Distance medley relay sets record, seeks national title

By MOLLY McVOY
Associate Sports Editor

The Notre Dame basketball team will not be the only team nervously awaiting the NCAA's decision as to who advances to the championships. Many members of the Irish track and field squad awakened Monday's announcement by the NCAA about who will advance to next weekend's indoor championships.

Going into the Alex Wilson Invitational, several of Notre Dame's top athletes were hoping to get the extra inch on their jumps or the few seconds to make it to the NCAA championships at the University of Arkansas next weekend.

After Saturday's meet, the only sure spot is held by the men's distance medley. The team broke the meet record of 9 minutes, 43.18 seconds with a time of 9:39.40, and missed tying the school record by one second.

The team of Phil Mishka, Chris Cochran, Luke Watson and Tim Kober is now ranked second in the nation and is looking to win the event at nationals.

"Running with competition, which we really haven't done yet, will definitely help," Cochran said. "Looking at the competition, we have to think about who we think is likely to win. I think we're in striking distance of Stanford. Anyone can step up in a national meet. I think we can step up as much as anyone else."

Going into Saturday's meet, the team wanted to take a couple of seconds off its time to secure its spot in nationals. "I think the main difference with Friday's performance was that we all knew we had to run a little better than last time to ensure getting in the national meet," Cochran said. "And we all had experience in the events."

Last time it was Watson's first time in his leg (of the race) and I'm sure the 1200 was new for Mishka."

Marshaun West was one of the long jumpers who qualified to qualify on Saturday. He needed a jump of at least 25-foot-6 to ensure the championships, but only jumped 24-foot-5 on Saturday. "It had to do with the level of competition and also my health wasn't 100 percent," West said. "I'm just going to concentrate on outdoors. I'm going to try and stay healthy and work on my technique and not get hurt."

He has a provisional qualifying mark in the long jump, but will have to be in the top 15 in the nation to go. It will be announced Monday evening who will advance.

Along with West, high jumper Jen Engelhardt and long jumper Tameisha King were hoping to get the distance needed to get into nationals.

Although Engelhardt's jump of 5-foot-9 and 3/4 was a provisional qualifying mark for the championships, it may not give her the necessary edge. "I don't think Tameisha and Jen will get in," fields coach Scott Winsor said.

Winsor believed that the competition is tougher this year than in previous years and that may affect who qualifies.

"The field is pretty competitive," Winsor said. "It's an unusual year, I would say. Usually it takes 180 inches in high jump to get in, but this year it took 182.""

Head coach Joe Plane refused to throw in the towel, however. "We just have to get focused and not get hurt," Plane said. "I'm just going to concentrate on outdoors. I'm going to try and stay healthy and work on my technique and not get hurt."

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assists in 21 minutes. "That was the game right there."

"He hit some open jumpers," Doherty said of Carroll. "It's a shooter and when he's open I want him to shoot it. He's dangerous. If you leave him open, I feel every time he shoots, it's going in."

Carroll, who made 4-of-5 three pointers, wasn't the only who saw his shots go down. The rest of the Irish also got in on the action.

"The shots went down," said Doherty, who watched his team jump out to a 27-point lead with 2 minutes, 10 seconds left to play in the first half. "We took a lot of good shots and we made them.

The Hoyas were unable to get any closer than 17 points in the second half and Notre Dame cruised to its largest margin of victory in a conference game since the 1996-97 season.

We got thoroughly outplayed in every phase of the game — defense, rebounding, free throw shooting," said Georgetown head coach Craig Esherick. "I thought our offense stumbled early on. Kevin Bravwell and Lee Scruggs, two of Georgetown's leading scorers, were held in check for the entire game.

The Hoyas' shooting woes were apparent early on. Kevin Bravwell and Lee Scruggs, two of Georgetown's leading scorers, were held in check for the entire game.

The Hoyas started the game with a 17-0 run and combined for just 11 points. The Hoyas shot just 30 percent for the game and only knocked down 5-of-26 shots (19.2 percent) from behind the arc. They also struggled from the foul line, making just 9 of 13 attempts.

Demetrius Hunter had a team-high 14 points, while Ruben Boumptej grabbed 11 rebounds.

With the win, the Irish close out the regular season with a 17-13 record and an 8-8 mark in the conference. Notre Dame locked up the No. 7 seed in the Big East Tournament — its highest seed ever — and will play No. 10 seed Rugers in Madison Square Garden.

Irish senior point guard Jimmy Flanagan, struggled against Wayne State for the title. Only the sabre squad blanked Wayne State for the title. Only the sabre squad blanked Wayne State.

"I think it was when I almost fell off the strip and still got a touch — that was the deciding factor in the bout," Viviani said with a smile.

The men's fencing team was all smiles Saturday as the Irish won each weapon en route to the overall title.

In the finals, the full squad cruised to a 5-1 victory over Cleveland State while the sabre squad blanked Wayne State for the title. Only the men's epee team had a challenge in the finals.

The Buckeyes surprised the Irish as they opened up a 2-0 lead with wins over Viviani and Brian Casas.

The Irish failed to defend their 1999 Midwest Championship as Northwestern won the match 1-2-3 against the Irish. Although Irish managed to top the Wildcats in foil, the Buckeye team lost the finals while the epee team lost to Cleveland State in the semifinals.

Notre Dame jumped out to a 2-0 lead but lost the deciding bout as both Kim Demaiio and Anna Carnick lost consecutive 5-4 bouts.

"We had some equipment problems early but it was no excuse," DeMaio said. "There was zero leadership on our part as a captain and it came down to the last bout which it never should have come down to. All excuses aside, we just didn't fence the way we should have.

Although DeMaio went 0-3 and Carnick went 1-2 against Cleveland State, freshman Meagen Call led the Irish with a 3-0 record.

"I thought it was a great," DeMaio said. "It's just too bad that we couldn't come up with the other two wins.

In foil, the Irish fell behind 2-0 to the Wildcats before Meagen Call defeated Wayne State's Kedelie 5-4 to kick off a run where the Irish won 5 of 6 bouts to take the match.

Northwestern, however, got the best of Notre Dame in the other head-to-head match as the Wildcats won the women's sabre title 2-0.

Freshman Natalia Mazur won both bouts as the other starters, Carianne McCullough and Katie Flanagan, struggled against the No. 1 sabre squad in the region.

"It was just too many fundamental errors," captain McCullough said. "We kept falling short and our defense was weak."
Penn upsets top-seeded Nowak in title fight

By BILL HART
Senior Staff Writer

Fain got their money's worth in one of the most anticipated fights of the Joyce Center on Friday night, when Sean "The Frie Kid" Nowak faced off against "The Destroyer" Penn for the 165 lb. division title. It was likely the most balanced bout of the night. Penn came from behind to take a split decision and shock the top seed.

Both fighters came out aggressively in the early rounds, each depending on the same styles that had gotten them through the semifinals on Tuesday. Penn relied on the left jab and hard right-handers, preparing for fights against left-handers. Nowak used high-lob combinations and boxed his opponent within the ropes.

"I had to be aggressive, because I knew he was a strong boxer," Penn said about his strategy. "I needed to be (aggressive) continually throughout the course of the fight.

After trading blows through the first two rounds, Penn connected with a strong right hook that sent Nowak staggering. But the top seed recovered, responding with a hook of his own that sent Nowak back to the mat midway through the round.

"It upset me," Penn said about the blow. "He took a lot of punches, and yet he was able to come back like that. He had lots of punches, and he didn't seem fazed by the punches I was throwing.

By the time Penn brushed himself off with a standing eight count, both fighters were so tired that neither could land another solid blow. The crowd was left to see its feet for the fight's conclusion, drawing out the final bell.

170 lb. division

Sigfried sophomore Bob "The Golden Schlager" Joyce scored an upset in his first career fight, defeating top seed Brian "Hoppe" Hobbins in the opening round.

Joyce looked confident from the opening bell, putting Hobbins on the defensive early.

In the latter half of the first round, Joyce landed several left hooks that left Hobbins staggering.

"I knew he had a better reach," Joyce said. "That made it pretty hard for me to get inside on him. He tried to prevent me from staying inside for most of the fight.

Hobbins seemed to be unable to recover from those early blows. With Joyce's endless assault, the Keenan junior was unable to build himself back to his full potential.

Penn dominated the second round, building a lead of four points.

In the third round, Joyce came out strong, knocking Hobbins back with a flurry of jabs and combinations that stunned his opponent.

In the third round, Hobbins landed two powerful left hooks before backing away from a potentially disastrous barrage from the challenger. While Brandi was able to anticipate multiple combinations from the top seed, Hobbins' offensive versatility defeated Brandi in the end.

Heavyweight division

Despite a combination of agility and caution, Keenan junior Peter "The Bad Boy" Ryan ended the night with a textbook display of boxart, beating graduate student Dan "Let Me" Adam by unanimous decision.

Ryan came out strong, looking for a heavy hit to knock the top seed out. His aggressiveness paid off early on, with a set of punches putting Ryan on the ropes.

But after the initial fireworks ended, the junior captain settled into his game plan after waiting for Adam to make his move. Ryan would wait for the threat to pass and pummeled his opponent before he had a chance to put his guard back up.

"I played a little conservative because he's such a big, strong boxer," Ryan said. "I wanted to stay away from his punches and just play off his mistakes.

In that style, the champ got many shots in early on, prompting the ref to stop the fight early in the second round when Adam's face was dripping blood.

Eventually, Penn showed out, dominating some wild roundabouts from the challenger throughout most of the third round.

"I don't think it was frustration more than it was exhaustion," Ryan said about Adam's movements. "We were both pretty tired by the third round. The guys in my corner were telling me to stay away, and he still had a powerful blow at that point.

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Medina and Nathan Borega.

The Irish held the lead going into the locker room, but it didn't take long for the Spartans to answer. At the 0:45 mark of the second period, sophomore right wing Adam Hall sent in a rebound off a faceoff from sophomore Andrew Hutchinson.

After tying the game, numerous Irish penalties kept the home team on the defensive. Midway through the second period, the Spartans held a 2-1 advantage, with北京 fearsome Irish penalties keeping the home team from taking advantage. Early in the third, the Irish found themselves in danger of being scored on again. Just as they attempted to get the hat trick, but Zasowski covered up the puck for one of his 22 saves on the night. At the 5-5 mark in the third, the PA announcer informed the crowd that Ferris State was losing to WMU 4-2 late in the game. The reaction by the team was almost instantaneous.

"They felt it on our bench," Poulin recalled. "After hearing the score, they really picked it up. Dan Carlson was the first to jump up and he said, "It's in our hands, let's go get it." There was a definite surge.

After fending off another penalty, the Irish earned their second power play opportunity of the night at the 13:42 mark. off a hooking penalty from Spartan center Shawn Harroff. Simon won a right side faceoff in the Spartan zone and passed the puck to senior Tyson Fraser. After a shot by senior Joe Dusbabek was blocked by Miller, Simon rebounded the puck at the inside edge of the right circle and hit a low shot past Miller's right leg at the 14:23 mark.

"The shot just hit off one of their guys and bounced our way," Simon said about the play. "That's just the way things were going. They were going our way, and we'll take it." Both sides fed off last-minute shots to force overtime, which saw numerous chances for the Irish fall short.

"We have never been happier with a tie," Poulin said about the game. "And the way it happened, coming back to get it. Every time we have tied this year, it was really a tie. Tonight, we came back and got this one.

The Irish started off strong in the third period, beginning the comeback off power-plays early in the third period, beginning with junior Jay Kopischke's fifth goal of the season, a tap-in off a pass from Dusbabek at the 2:01 mark. Minutes later, Dusbabek threatened to score off a pass from Carlson. A shot from the high slot was deflected near the right goalpost, but Simon was there to bank the rebound off Spartan goalie Joe Blackburn, ending the scoring for the night. Despite the loss, Notre Dame will face Ferris State in the first round of the playoffs, in a best-of-three series at the Joyce Center starting on Friday. The Bulldogs swept the Irish earlier in the year, winning two games in mid-October at Big Rapids, Michigan. But with the two teams playing on the Irish home ice, the outcome could be considerably different.

"Ultimately, we didn't really need Ferris if we took care of our own end," Simon remarked. "But we capitalized on the chances we did get, and we're going to roll from there."

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Carnick pulls off stunning comeback in final seconds

By MIKE CONNOLLY

Northwestern head fencing coach Lorie Schiller could taste victory.

There was no way his fencer, Kellie MacDonald, could lose.

She had an 8-5 lead over Notre Dame freshman Anna Carnick
with just 12 seconds remaining in the bout. With his entire
team gathered around him cheering, Schiller counted down
the seconds until he could celebrate MacDonald's Midwest
Conference epee championship.

"No one talked Carnick that the match was already over,"

Freshman from Mishawaka won an unbelievable
three touches in the next 12 seconds to send the bout into
overtime. Schiller could only watch in stunned silence
as Carnick scored a touch in sudden death overtime
to keep the Irish from winning the title.

"That is mental toughness. That's very unusual to
come back and score three touches. That shows something,"

Carnick showed that, despite being a freshman, she has the
speed and toughness of a seasoned veteran. After taking
a 3-3 lead into the final period, she lost five straight touches
to fall behind 8-5. Instead of panicking or engaging in a
tough battle in the quarterfinals
the semifinals, Carnick fell to Wayne State sophomore
Jakub Krochwalski in the other semifinal.

In the final, Krochwalski used
a quick attack to overcome
Carnick's defensive style and
won the championship,
15-11. Crompton trailed
10-6 before batting back to tie the bout at 10.
Krochwalski, however, won
four of the next five touches to take the bout.
"He had a pretty good attack so I
tried to use my defense a little bit better,"
Crompton said. "I had fenced
him a few times before and I
noticed that his attack was very
strong so I tried to work on
my defense."

With Crompton's experience
against Krochwalski, he
believes that he will defeat
Krochwalski next weekend at
Northwestern's Kristin Dorf;
15-11.

Krochwalski fell behind early, 13-5,
before she rallied back to close
the gap to three, 14-11. Dorf,
however, regrouped after Krochwalski's
come back to win the bout, 15-13.

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Ali in attendance at hard-hitting title bouts

By BRIAN BURKE
Sports Writer

As if the finalists in the 70th Annual Bengal Bouts needed any added motivation, they received an extra jolt of adrenaline Friday night upon learning they would be going for a title in the presence of the greatest fighter of all time. With Muhammed Ali in attendance, the boxers lived up to the greatest fighter of all time.

120 Pounds

In a minor upset, Shawn "Knockout The Old And Ring in The" Newberg took the first title of the night, earning the split decision over top-seeded James "Pirahna" Fishburne. Although both fighters started tentatively, Newberg settled in and employed the same effective strategy he used in the semifinals.

As in his previous fight, Newberg allowed his opponent to chase him around the ring and swing at his hands, then countered with combinations when Fishburne wore down. The tactic appeared to frustrate Fishburne as he was unable to land open shots while scrambling after Newberg.

"That's the strategy I use a lot: block and go, block and go," Newberg said. "I just knew when he came in, I had to get my hits." Fumagalli said.

The championship was especially satisfying for Fumagalli considering the competition he faced on the way.

140 Pounds

As expected, both top ranked Kurt Wilson and Mike "Mr. Monster City Madman" Waldo came out swinging in the finals of the 140-pound card. While they stood toe-to-toe for much of the opening round, Waldo was able to land a good straight right that gave him an early lead. Wilson came back as the pare slowed in the second, staying low and landing jabs to the body.

What made the difference was the third round, where Waldo simply outlasted Wilson. Waldo managed to get Wilson against the ropes where he connected on enough hooks and straight rights for Wilson to be assessed a standing-eight. In the end, it was Waldo coming away with a unanimous decision.

"Kurt was the first guy I sparred with, and he killed me, so I knew what he was like coming in." Waldo said. "I know whoever won that third round would win it."

150 Pounds

In the 150-pound card, Jeff "The Pittsburgh Kid" Dobosh took the title with an unanimous decision over Paul "He-Man" Mehan.

Both fighters struggled to land combinations early, but the second round turned into a slugfest where the momentum swayed back and forth. By the third round, Dobosh was in control, countering Mehan with jabs and straight rights that almost knocked off the helmet of his foe, leading to a standing-eight.

"I love the counterpunch, but he didn't charge so I had to be the aggressor, and that's not my style," Dobosh said. "In the third, he felt he had to come in, so that worked well." Dobosh was especially thrilled to meet Muhammed Ali after his victory.

160 Pounds

In a battle of surprise finalists, Chris "My Nickname Was Excited" Matassa needed just over a round to take the title in a technical knockout of P.J. "Devil" Duwors.

What became apparent early on was the significant reach advantage of Matassa, which he used to land several damaging hooks and capitalize on uppersets when Duwors put his head down.

The second round began with more of the same, as Matassa landed jabs and hooks at will. The fight was stopped 29 seconds into the round for what appeared to be only an interruption for bleeding, but Matassa was soon declared the winner.
Graves’ play opens door to Notre Dame’s success

By KATHLEEN O’BRIEN
Assistant Sports Editor

WASHINGTON, D.C.
Notre Dame men’s basketball coach Matt Doherty said Saturday that sophomore David Graves’ play in the paint is a key ingredient in the recipe for Notre Dame success.

“You know Troy [Murphy] is going in competition,” Doherty said. “You know Harold [Swanagan] is going to compete. You know Ivan [Kartelo] is going to compete. David’s the key. I think to our front-line, and he really came out and battled and boxed out.”

If Graves is the key, the door to victory is wide-open for the Irish following Graves’ tremendous performance against Georgetown.

The 6-foot-6 forward dominated the boards for the Irish, fighting his way to every loose ball. His 13 rebounds, 10 of them on the defensive end, kept the Hoyas on their heels throughout the game, a 77-54 victory on the road.

“I was most impressed with their rebounding,” Georgetown head coach Craig Esherick said.

“I knew they were a good shooting team, but on the defensive end, I knew Georgetown from connecting on the second and third chance shots. They also helped Notre Dame gain a 21-29 rebounding advantage in its final regular-season game, a 77-54 victory on the road.

“I was most impressed with their rebounding,” Georgetown head coach Craig Esherick said. “I knew they were a good shooting team, but I thought they were going to compete.”

Graves had 14 assists on the offensive end, one more than his season average. As in rebounding, Graves has had his ups and downs in scoring, ranging from a rock bottom of three points in a loss to Maryland in a high of 33 in Notre Dame’s overtime loss to Vanderbilt.

Graves was six for 10 from the field against the Hoyas, hitting shots from all over the floor. He muscled his way inside for three lay-in shots in the paint. He hit two short jumpers from opposite views of the hoop. And he netted his 66th 3-point field goal of the season, the third highest total in school history.

“We had seen what the teams have done to us,” Graves said. “They’re really jumped on us and got in the lead. We just wanted to come out tonight and just jump on them, so I think we did a great job today. We played the best basketball we’ve played all year.”

Graves’ line of statistics in Saturday’s box score didn’t show a single goose egg. He recorded two steals, two blocks and one assist. On the downside, he also gave the ball away three times. The most telling statistic, however, is that Doherty was pleased enough with Graves’ play to keep him on the court for the entire 40 minutes of the game.

Graves did not get a rest from the opening tip-off until the final buzzer, this one’s just rewarding,” Graves said. “It’s rewarding to just get a win like this and get the first double-digit game.”

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“One of Graves’ primary goals in coming to Notre Dame was to bring Notre Dame back to its glory days — the days of sold-out crowds, excitement on campus and regular trips to the NCAA tournament. He’s been doing his part for the Irish to deliver, as fans have returned to the Joyce Center in droves and the Irish have beaten five top-25 ranked teams.

With the Big East Tournament beginning Wednesday, the Irish need a tournament title or at least a strong run to stand a chance of going to March Madness for the first time in 10 years.

“We still have chances for the NCAA tournament,” Graves said. “We’re going to keep working hard. We’re going to come out with a lot of intensity.”

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Notre Dame advances to semis with victory over Miami

By TIM CASEY
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STORRS, Conn. - The preparation for the 2000 Big East Tournam ent began eight days ago, following a 77-59 loss to top-ranked Connecticut. The Irish had more than a week to get ready for the stretch run of the season, one they hope leads deep into March.

Then, as if to make sure the Irish were talk­ ing about what is important, the coach and his players needed a day to do that. Head coach Muffet McGraw said: "But I think it looked like just one team." That lack of focus almost hurt the Irish. "We took a couple days off of practice (this week)," McGraw said. "But I think it looked like we took the week off." Miami, which had lost twice earlier in the season to Notre Dame, played aggressively the entire game. Their full-court pressure and trapping half-court defense forced the Irish to turn the ball over and unchar­ acteristic 23 times. "We didn't want anybody to out hustle us," Miami guard Shelia James said. "Because we knew we were the underdogs we had nothing to lose tonight. We played like it was our last game. We left everything on the floor." McGraw credited the Hurricanes for their hustle. "I thought their press really slowed us down," she said. "They did a great job control­ ling the tempo of the game for the first 30 minutes. We weren't ever really able to get that sport." The teams traded baskets for much of the first half. But Notre Dame took a 32-25 lead into the locker room at halftime despite shooting 37.9 percent from the floor. The Irish also had 14 turnovers.

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Irish answer wake up call

WASHINGTON, D.C. - Prior to Saturday's Big East showdown with Georgetown, first-year head coach Matt Doherty pres­ ented his players with a challenge. Skip Meyer (the trainer) and I were talking before the game and he told me that Notre Dame had never come out and played well against Georgetown," Doherty said following the Irish's 77-54 truncation of the Hoyas. "I challenged them before the game to come out and be the aggressor and set the tone." The Irish did just that. Freshman Matt Carroll scored 13 of Notre Dame's first 20 points and the Irish jumped out to a 25-6 lead in the opening 10 minutes of Saturday's game at the MCI Center in Washington, D.C. "I felt like I got into a rhythm and had some open looks," said Carroll who fin­ ished with 16 points and three

Hockey
Irish skew to 2-2 tie on senior night

By BILL HART
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Looking at the crowd on Senior Night at the Joyce Center Fieldhouse, one might have seen a few fans crossing their fingers. But with the events of the past week, Irish hockey fans had many reasons to be ner­ vous. "While Notre Dame did hold a two-point lead on fifth place in the CCHA and the last playoff spot played on their home ice, sixth-place Ferris State had two games of its own against 10th-seed­ ed Western Michigan. Meanwhile, Notre Dame was taking on Michigan State, which holds the top penalty killing and power play units in the conference. Even worse, the Irish only had 16 healthy skaters to put on the ice against the Spartans, after sophomore David Iman was declared likely to miss the rest of the season due to illness. But through the emotions of the eight seniors, possibly playing their last home games at Notre Dame, the Irish earned a 2-2 tie against the Spartans, good enough to secure home ice for the first round of the CCHA playoffs when combined with a loss by the Bulldogs on Friday. "You don't like to have things out of your control," Poulin said about the playoff picture. "The ideal situation would have been for us to win tonight and tomorrow night, but you take all the help you can get in this league. Home ice is a big advantage for us. We like this building and we play well at home."

The Irish dodged a few bullets early in the first peri­ od, including a Spartan pass which slid through the blue circle, after freshman goalie Tony Zasowski was pushed away from the net. Both teams traded shots until the 14 minute, 50 second mark of the first, when left wing Dan Carlson went coast-to­ coast, evading two defend­ ers, en route to a score. "Carlson's goal was obvi­ ously highlight material," Poulin remarked. "I remem­ ber seeing him do stuff like that in high school." It was the junior's 16th goal on the season, with assists by senior defensemen Sean

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Troy Murphy launches a shot over the outstretched arm of Georgetown's Ruben Boumtje Boumtje in Saturday's game.