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O U T r e a c h applies for recognition, acceptance doubtful

By TIM LOGAN
News Writer

O U T r e a c h, the unofficial coalition of gay and lesbian students, has applied for official recognition from the University, but both leaders and administrators say the club's chances for approval are still slim.

"I don't think we'll be accepted," said OUTreach co-president Jeremy Bauer.

The group was discouraged from applying by Joe Cassidy, director of Student Activities, but filed its papers last week anyway. Cassidy will make the decision about recognition, and, at a meeting earlier this month, he told OUTreach's leaders their prospects were not good. He still feels that way, he said Friday.

This marks the fourth time that a gay and lesbian student group has applied for official recognition. Each time the application has been denied.

"I don't anticipate the outcome is going to be any different," Cassidy said. "I'm not saying they can't apply, but I wanted to be up front about it, saying it is [their] call."

Recognized clubs are eligible for funds from Student Activities and can hold office space in the Club Resource Center in LaFortune Student Center. They also are allowed to post signs on campus and can recruit members at the annual Activities Fair.

"We'd like to be a legitimate organization in the eyes of the school," Bauer said. "It'd make things a lot easier."

OUTreach grew out of Gays and Lesbians of Notre Dame/Saint Mary's (GLDNSMC) in 1998, when the group's leaders decided to change their focus from campaigning for wider gay rights on campus to providing a community for homosexual and questioning students.

GLDNSMC applied for recognition three times, most recently in April, 1996. The group was denied all three times by University administrators who said its beliefs were not in agreement with Church teachings.

But the leaders of OUTreach say their group is not GLDNSMC and should be judged differently.

"It's less about activism and more about support and creating a community," Bauer said.

But regardless of what OUTreach is about, the chances that the current Notre Dame administration will recognize a gay and lesbian student group are minimal, according to Cassidy.

"While their stance may have changed, I'm not seeing that the University's stance has changed on having a recognized organization for gay and lesbian students," he said.

He said Notre Dame feels it cannot better serve the needs of those students through existing programs run by Campus Ministry, the University Counseling Center and the Office of Student Affairs.

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Bone marrow treatment helps leukemia patients

♦ Leukemia diagnoses difficult; effective treatments tough to find

By MAUREEN SMITHE
Assistant News Editor

Sophomore Conor Murphy's recent diagnosis with leukemia has drawn special attention at Notre Dame to this confusing and often deadly disease.

The different forms of leukemia make the disease hard to diagnose and very difficult to treat. Out of three million potential donors in the National Bone Marrow Registry, only one was a match with Murphy.

"What we do know it that Conor has an extremely rare, acute form of leukemia," said sophomore Wes Jacobs, a friend of Murphy's.

The disease

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Bauer disputes the notion that University-sanctioned programs are sufficient when it comes to supporting gay and bisexual students.

"I don't think they serve the needs," he said saying that OUTreach connects with students better. "None of the groups provide gay and lesbian role models."

Bauer and OUTreach co-president Anne Greggir will meet with Cassidy this week to discuss services for gay and lesbian students. They say their group will continue to help homosexual and bisexual students even if its bid for Student Affairs approval fails.

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INSIDE COLUMN

Let's get on with it!

Do you have any idea what it is like to have to sift through the drivel and the genius to decide what goes into the daily Viewpoint pages? Sometimes it is a difficult task, having to decide between really compelling and well-written contributions to the intellectual discourse in this Catholic university community. More often than not, what gets printed is the least of a few dismal evils.

Bearing in mind that all we have to choose from is whatever people send in, you can understand the frequency of debate about humanity, football, and all things conservative. When you read that there’s more or less say “Bob-Davie sucks” without much reason or rhetoric, you know what Viewpoint editors feel from time to time. I print the delusional ramblings from the one person who writes about the conspiracy by the CIA to use fluoride in our drinking water as a mind control substance.

Occasionally we may be so proued for coherent letters that the slightest possessments possessing a serious ideological shalltwell, it is an opinion page, after all, or worse, a distinct lack of what we in the business call “facts” or “a solid background of reliable information.” (For case in point, see a recent letter from a reader with the perception that somehow NDSPD’s water as a mind control substance.)

Truly, it is a fascinating job that allows me to persuade the opinions of students and faculty, keeping a keen minority figure on the pulse of the outspoken minority of this unique collection of Christiness-guided academics we call the Notre Dame family. At the same time is it disheartening to see the vast disillusionment of students jaded by pedagogues, the dehumanized, gun-toting, sworn police officers aren’t on par with their local counterparts.

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Outside the Dome

6 students charged in Ferris State student’s death

ANN ARBOR, Mich.

Charges have been issued to six Ferris State University students in the wake of the alcohol related death of a freshman at the school two weeks ago.

The charges leveled include two counts of involuntary manslaughter as well as furnishing alcohol to a minor causing death and furnishing alcohol to a minor. All three felonies, carrying maximum penalties of 15 years, 10 years and 60 days in jail respectively. The charges were brought by the Mecosta County prosecutor attorney offices, and arraignments for the six students are expected Friday. The specific charges against each student will be announced then. “We support the prosecuting attorney’s decision,” said Kevin Courtney, the director of Big Rapids’ Department of Public Safety, which has handled the investigation.

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The students, whose names have not been released, are members of the underground fraternity known as the Knights of College Lore or the Knights of College Leadership that 19-year-old Stephen Petz had been in the process of pledging. Fraternity members were unable to wake Petz after a night of drinking and took him to the hospital, where he was declared dead. Toxicology reports found his blood alcohol content to be 42 percent, more than four times the legal threshold for drunkenness.

“First of all, we want to express our sympathy to the family of Stephen Petz. We are saddened not only by his death, but also the harm it will bring to the other students involved with the incident.”

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FSU student killed in softball game

TALLAHASSEE, Fla.

Last Thursday, a softball accident claimed the life of Florida State freshman Ryan L’Homme. L’Homme, 18, was a member of the Phi Kappa fraternity, was run over and died from first to second base, when a thrown softball struck him in the temple. The accident occurred in the fourth inning of an intramural game between the Phi Kappa and Chi Phi fraternities on Wednesday evening. “It was a freak accident, I’ve been in sports my whole life and I’ve never seen anything like it before,” Kyle Steinky, Phi Kappa’s athletics director, said. L’Homme was standing near the center of the field, willing to catch the ball. Despite efforts by people on the field to keep L’Homme up and aware, he never regained consciousness. L’Homme was rushed to Tallahassee Memorial Hospital, where he immediately underwent surgery. A group, which grew to more than 200 people, stood vigil in the process of pledging. Fraternity members were unable to wake Petz after a night of drinking and took him to the hospital, where he was declared dead. Toxicology reports found his blood alcohol content to be 42 percent, more than four times the legal threshold for drunkenness.

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Council recommends continued alumnae involvement

By MOLLY McVoy
Saint Mary's Editor

The President's Alumnae Advisory Council met this weekend to make recommendations to Saint Mary's President Marilou Eldred about the future of the College and alumnae contributions.

The council consists of 15 past and recent Saint Mary's alumnae who gathered to discuss the status of the college and how improvements could be made. The alumnae attended classes on Friday and met with a panel of faculty from each department in the College to discuss how alumnae could help their efforts.

Many faculty members commented on how invaluable informal connections to alumnae are to the students; and how the alumnae are one of the best resources for promoting the college.

"The power of graduating from an all-women college is something the alumnae need to get across," said Toni Barstis, associate chemistry professor. "I was impressed with the alumnae of Saint Mary's. I continue to be amazed by these women."

Faculty also agreed that alumnae serve as mentors to current Saint Mary's students.

"Alumnae also serve as role models through their leadership, serving as community builders, sharing their knowledge with students as students make life choices," said Fran Kominkiewicz, director of the Social Work Program.

Barstis agreed that alumnae serve in an important way as mentors.

"I would say that the theme of the panel was that there are a variety of ways to mentor students," she said. "We're not asking the alumnae for their financial help or to come to Saint Mary's for a whole day — but if they'd be able to serve as a mentor.

Kominkiewicz also explained that programs such as social work, which have strong ties to the community, appreciate alumnae support.

"Through our Social Work Advisory Board, alumnae contribute to the program's ability to stay connected to the community," she said. "Alumnae often serve as field supervisors, field instructors, and field organizers. Alumnae have continued to connect our students to various geographical communities, often giving information about graduate programs, volunteer activities, and other career opportunities."

The graduates can also help update departments to the skills and concepts they teach are compatible with the needs of the work force and community after graduation. The math department instituted the statistics and actuarial mathematics major in part because of a suggestion from alumnae about the need for that type of mathematical training.

"We've been using alumnae over the past several years to help us," said Don Miller, chair of the math department. "We stay in touch with our alumnae and look for suggestions about our program."

The alumnae also attended sessions discussing topics including the economic autonomy of women, career choices, and moving through the "glass ceiling."

While meeting with Eldred, they discussed partnerships and initiatives to help Saint Mary's students in the corporate world of the future. They also mentioned specific corporate boards and national boards for Eldred or other senior officers of the College to sit on, and what corporations could assist Saint Mary's with diversity programs.

What It Takes To Be Honest In A Place Like This:
A personal discussion about homosexuality, activism, and hope for change at Notre Dame

Wednesday, March 29
8:00 pm
Breen-Phillips 24-Hour Lounge

Alyssa Hellrung is a senior English and Gender Studies Major. She has been a member of the Standing Committee for Gay and Lesbian Student Needs for three years and was 1998-1999 Co-chair of OUTreachND. Alyssa has given talks and participated in various forums on issues relating to homosexuality since her first year at Notre Dame in hopes of creating a greater awareness of these issues on campus.

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people live with the disease, according to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. Every year more than 22,000 people die from it, but over the past 39 years bone marrow transplants have helped to triple the survival rate among leukemia patients.

Transplant treatment
A bone marrow transplant is one of the most potentially life-saving treatments for leukemia. According to the NMDP, "many people are found in the registry that have a great need for minorities. We highly encourage minorities especially to consider it," she said. "Also, with Caucasians we customarily need a re-proofing of the supply.

All potential donors, however, must be prepared for the chance that they may someday be called upon to possibly save someone's life. Although no one on the registry is required to donate if a match is made, the NMDP encourages any potential donor to register, only if they are willing to commit. The chances of matching with a patient are slim, but possible.

Zahn Hall reciter Father Jim Lies said the actual donation of marrow is a relatively painless procedure. "Basicallly, the procedure itself requires a local anesthetic, and a needle is inserted into the pelvic bone and the marrow is drawn out," he said.

"The worst of it is an achy feeling in your hind quarter for a few days — that's it. That which is taken from you is restored naturally in four to six weeks."

Father Jim Lies
rector, Zahn Hall

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ported, and as a community we need to pull together.

Although an anonymous donor for Conor has been located from a registry of more than three million potential donors, the need for more donors is always there.

"The practical reality is that there are not enough donors available," Lies said. "While you may not match for Conor, you may one day be a match for someone else — someone is someone's Conor."

In addition to the drive, members of the Notre Dame community have found other ways to support Murphy. Zahn has hosted Masses and held a 24-hour vigil for him and put together a banner. Lies said. Also, several of Murphy's friends have visited him on week-ends.

"Conor suggested the drive and he is all for it — he knows your blood can save a life. He has made a lot of people think twice about a lot of things," said sophomore Wes Jacobs, a friend of Murphy's.

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"He is pretty excited about it. Conor, I would hope that you can just pray for him," Lies said.

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Zahn sophomore John LeBlanc had an uncle who underwent the donation process when he was called upon as an ideal match for a patient suffering from leukemia.

"I don't think he said it was that bad. He had to stay in the hospital for just a night," he said.

The procedure
The mystery surrounding the success of bone marrow transplants can be described as a miracle. The patient is given a lethal dose of chemotherapy and radiation to kill off their cells. In doing so their immune system is depleted, so they have to be isolated. Once the patient has gone through this regime, it puts him in a vulnerable state, so timing is essential. At this point it would most likely be fatal for the patient if the donor were to back out, according to experts.

"A donor's bone marrow is put in through the patient's IV and miracu-lously the body accepts the new marrow and begins manufacturing new marrow of its own," Robbins said.

Once the donated marrow enters the patient's circulatory system, it takes about one month to show the first evidence of a "graft," meaning that the marrow has begun to work and is producing new cells, according to the NMDP. A noticeable rise in the patient's bill of health.

"I think it is a great credit to the University to host this drive because it is needed and patient-focused," she said.

Marcia Robbins
coordinator, National Marrow Donor Program

Tuesday, March 28, 2000

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**World News Briefs**

**Mass grave reveals 73 more cult-related deaths**

RUGAZI, Uganda

Prison laborers dug layer-by-layer through rotting corpses Monday, pulling dozens of bodies from a mass grave at a sugarcane field — the third scene of carnage linked to a doomsday cult. The laborers unearthed 73 bodies, including two dozen children and babies, from the field belonging to a defrocked Catholic priest who was one of the sect leaders. The grim discovery brings the number of cult-related deaths that police have confirmed to 562 since a March 17 fire in a makeshift church. Two other compounds in southwestern Uganda belonging to the sect remained to be examined. James Bangrama, a local police official, said Monday that wasn’t certain that all the bodies of sector victims had been found.

**Listeria contamination forces Sara Lee hot dog recall**

WASHINGTON

The Sara Lee Corp. has recalled 34,500 pounds of Ball Park-brand hot dogs because they might be contaminated with bacteria that can cause life-threatening infections. No illnesses have been reported in connection with the hot dogs. Sara Lee spokeswoman Theresia Hrelouw said Monday, The recall was ordered after a military laboratory found Listeria monocytogenes in hot dogs that had been distributed to an Army commissary, she said. The hot dogs, which were packaged Jan. 25 at a plant in Philadelphia, were distributed to commissaries and retail establishments in Florida, Missouri, New York, Virginia, Ohio, Connecticut, Oklahoma, Delaware, Kansas, Nebraska, Texas, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Massachusetts and Maryland.

**DeBartolo testifies against ex-Gov. in racketeering trial**

Baton Rouge, La.

Former San Francisco 49ers owner and Notre Dame benefactor Eddie DeBartolo Jr. testified Monday that ex-Gov. Edwin Edwards himself extorted money and contributed it. The former 49ers owner and a former NFL team owner, but the Louisiana gambling board unanimously demanded and received $400,000 from him to ensure that his application for a riverboat casino license would be approved. A day after DeBartolo allegedly gave the former four-term governor the money, he testified Monday that ex-Gov. Edwin Edwards himself extorted money and contributed it.

**Tension grows over Elian’s fate**

MIAMI

The Justice Department threatened to take Elian Gonzalez from his Miami relatives Monday, as a crowd gathered outside the boy’s Little Havana home, ready to form a human chain if necessary.

The risk of a confrontation over the 6-year-old appeared to grow as the government and the Miami relatives traded accusations. The relatives were so worried that Elian would be taken away that they kept him home from school.

Attorney General Janet Reno has demanded that the Miami relatives pursue any court appeals rapidly and promise to surrender Elian for return to his father in Cuba if they lose. On Monday, the relatives filed their latest appeal — and, according to the case are expedited handling — but they have not addressed the other demand.

“She has made it clear would not want to do anything to traumatize the boy or provoke Miami’s large Cuban community. Meanwhile, about 100 people gathered outside Elian’s home, though by evening the crowd had dwindled to fewer than 50. Someone put a 15-foot banner in front of the house with a message: “I just want to live in freedom.”

**Columbia**

Leftist rebels kill 24 police, 6 civilians

BOGOTA

Inflicting the heaviest government casualties in months, leftist rebels killed at least 24 policemen and soldiers in a series of attacks since the weekend.

Five rebels from the country’s largest leftist insurgency, the Revolutionary Armed Forces of Colombia, or FARC, were also reported killed in the fighting, which raged in two fishing villages near the border with Panama and a region in the South American country’s far north.

Twenty-one police officers died trying to repel a 36-hour rebel assault on Vigia del Fuerte, 230 miles from Bogota, that began on Saturday. Six civilians were also killed, including mayor Pastor Perea and two young children, the Antioquia state government reported.

National police chief Gen. Bosco Jose Serrano reported after visiting the destroyed town Monday that eight of the slain officers received gunshot wounds to the head or close range.

Troops regained control of the town of 1,200 residents Sunday night, and found that rebel machine-guns fired and inaccurate homemade missiles had destroyed the church, the mayor’s office, the police barracks, the telephone company and ten houses located near the town plaza.

In the neighboring town of Bojaya, Serrano reported seven police missing and presumed to have been taken prisoner by the FARC.

No rebel deaths were reported in the battle for the two towns, which straddle opposite banks of the Atrato River, a strategic waterway to the Caribbean that is hotly contested by rebels and rival right-wing paramilitary groups. The region in a major arms and drug smuggling corridor.

**Market Watch: 3/27**

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Elian denies mother’s death in first interview

Associated Press

NEW YORK

As the political storm over his future kept swirling, Elian Gonzalez said in his first lengthy interview that he doesn’t really believe his mother died when the boat carrying them to Florida sank.

The 6-year-old Cuban boy spoke with Diane Sawyer in a segment shown on ABC’s “Good Morning America” Monday, raising questions about the propriety of interviewing someone so young. The Cuban government sent a letter of protest to ABC on Monday.

He was made available by his Miami relatives as they ran short of legal options to avoid sending him back to his father in Cuba. They are appealing a federal judge’s ruling affirming the government decision to send him home.

Sawyer brought along a child psychiatrist who speaks Spanish for the interview, and Elian’s cousin also translated.

Elian drew crayon pictures of the voyage in which his mother and 10 other people drowned. He first drew a wavy line representing waves, then a leaping dolphin — he has told people that dolphins protected him from sharks and boosted him up when he slipped down into the water from an inner tube.

He drew himself as a stick figure on the inner tube, and then sketched a boat with people inside. He told of the boat having engine trouble and slowly sinking, and of attempts to bail it out.

Asked what happened to the boat, he said softly, “Water came in.”

He drew the waves higher and higher, covering the boat. Elian insisted his mother survived.

“My mother is not in heaven, not lost,” he said in Spanish through his cousin Marisleysis Gonzalez. “She must have been picked up here in Miami somewhere. She must have lost her memory, and just doesn’t know I’m here.”

During his hours floating alone in the inner tube, Elian said he was praying for survival. Marisleysis translated the prayer: “Guardian angel, sweet companion, don’t leave my side, day or night, for if you do, I will be lost.”

Sawyer said ABC thought long and hard about how to do the interview. She said by ABC’s calculation, there have been 11,984 articles written about the case and “not one of us has sat down and looked into his eyes.”

Sawyer did that, leaning next to Elian as he made his drawings and allowing him to shoot Silly String into her hair. She called him bubbly, very bright and “infinitely curious.”

Not all journalists believe it is proper to interview young children. NBC’s competing “Today” show, for example, did not pursue an interview with Elian because it did not believe it was appropriate to talk to a 6-year-old.

Several networks, including NBC, requested interviews with Elian, said Armando Gutierrez, spokesman for Elian’s Miami relatives. He said he was not sure whether NBC’s request was specifically from “Today.”
Associated Press

BAGHDAD

Voting was brisk and orderly Monday as Iraqis choose a new parliament expected to be energized by the presence of President Saddam Hussein's eldest son and heir apparent, Odai Hussein — a powerful figure who was making his formal political debut — among 512 candidates running for 220 seats in the National Assembly. He was widely expected to win a seat, which would help him begin to build a formal power base.

The National Assembly is elected after a strictly controlled campaign and seen as a rubber stamp for Saddam, doing little more than making recommendations to the Revolutionary Command Council he heads.

It has little influence over the sanctions, which can be lifted only if Iraq convinces the U.N. Security Council that it has sur­rendered its nuclear, biological and chemical weapons programs, a condition Iraq insists it has fulfilled.

The United States accuses Iraq of hiding weapons and has worked to ensure that sanc­tions remain in place, despite increasing criticism from around the world that they have paralyzed the Iraqi econ­omy and done little to hurt Saddam.

Iraq is permitted to buy food and medicine under a U.N. pro­gram created in 1996 that allows Iraq to export oil through U.N.-controlled sales, provided the proceeds be used for humanitarian supplies.

Even so, with their economy weakened by sanctions and war, the Iraqi middle class has been stripped of its buying power.

Odai retired from a civil ser­vice job to try to make more money as a free-lance dealer in goods. But he was selling most of his own household fur­niture a day before the vote. He needed to raise cash for his 15-year-old son's treatment for leukemia, which he said cost about $100 every 20 days. Odai, who has seven other children, said he earns less than $10 a month.

Turnout was reported high during 12 hours of voting at 1,574 stations across the coun­try. Falling to vote could be seen as an expression of oppo­sition to a government that toler­ates little dissent and has portrayed the ballot as a sig­nal to the West of its determi­nation in the face of interna­tional isolation.

We cannot choose whether to engage with the world, only how to.
—Stephen Batchelor

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The Senate views amendment to protect flag from desecration

Associated Press
WASHINGTON
The Senate began another long-shot effort Monday to amend the Constitution to protect the flag from desecration.

Opponents used the opportunity to bring up campaign finance reform, another issue with election-year repercussions. Those against the amendment predicted the outcome would be similar to that of the last Senate vote in 1995, when supporters fell three short of the two-thirds majority needed to amend the Constitution.

The House surpassed the two-thirds goal with a 305-124 vote last fund, but the Senate has always been the key hurdle to the amendment that has been pushed by Republicans since they won control of both houses of Congress in 1995. Three-fourths of the states also must ratify an amendment before it becomes part of the Constitution.

The amendment is one of a series of articles stating: "Congress shall have power to prohibit the physical desecration of the flag of the United States."

The drive for the amendment dates back to two 5-4 Supreme Court decisions in 1969 and 1990 that first struck down a Texas flag desecration statute and then ruled unconstitutional a flag protection law passed by Congress.

The Citizens Flag Alliance, a pro-amendment group of some 140 veterans and civic groups, said seven-tenths of the states support an amendment and 49 state legislatures — all but Vermont — have passed resolutions urging Congress to pass the amendment.

"They want to protect the flag. Everyone wants to do it, but for some reason they are reluctant to correct the mistakes of the Supreme Court," said Pat Brady, chairman of the alliance.

Several senators averse to changing the Constitution, led by Sen. Mitch McConnell, R-Ky., offered a statutory alternative that would establish jail terms and fines for damaging a flag. They claimed the measure is written so as not to violate First Amendment free speech rights.

Two North Dakota Democrats, Sens. Byron Dorgan and Kent Conrad, who are crucial to any hope of passing the amendment, are supporting the McConnell substitute.

Sen. Ernest Hollings, D-S.C., is offering an amendment to the amendment that would give Congress the power to set reasonable limits on campaign contributions.

The Hollings provision, which also addresses the First Amendment issue that is a main argument of those opposed to limiting campaign finance spending, has twice before been defeated in the Senate.

But the debate will provide an election-year platform for proponents of campaign finance change, including Sen. John McCain, R-Ariz., who made the issue a key component of his failed drive for the Republican presidential nomination. A vote on McConnell and Hollings' is scheduled for Tuesday.

Sen. Tom Daschle of South Dakota, Sen. Tom Daschle of South Dakota, the top Democrat in the Senate said he opposed the flag amendment because "it's our view that defending the Constitution is far more important when it comes down to questions of personal freedoms."

"It would be the first time in 200 years that we would diminish the Bill of Rights," said Paul Tash, executive editor of the St. Petersburg Times and chairman of the freedom of information committee of the American Society of Newspaper Editors.

With few actual cases of flag desecration, "it strikes me that there should be a much more compelling social problem that would cause us to take such a drastic constitutional step," he said.
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April 1, 2000

Mr. Horst Kohler
International Monetary Fund
700 19th St. N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20431

Dear Mr. Kohler:

As President of the Congregation of the Sisters of the Holy Cross and in the spirit of the Jubilee Year, I am writing to request that you support an immediate suspension of the economic policies and practices that have caused poverty and suffering among the world’s peoples, and damage to the environment. On the occasion of the first meetings of the governing bodies of the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund in the 21st century, I further call on you to cancel the unbearable multilateral debt of the world’s poorest countries and use the resources of the World Bank and IMF to finance this cancellation.

I make these requests based on the call of our faith for solidarity among the members of the human family, genuine debt relief in the spirit of Jubilee, poverty reduction, and global economic justice. Pope John Paul II has eloquently and unceasingly called for debt relief. He has noted that the existence of debt is “suffocating” quite a few countries, and that “the Church in her pastoral concern cannot ignore this difficult situation.” I urge you, in your position as Managing Director of the International Monetary Fund, not to ignore this situation any longer but to propose and support immediate and significant action to cancel the debt which seriously threatens the lives of millions of people and the future of many nations.

Archbishop Medardo Mazombwe of Zambia has written that “The debt problem is not simply an economic issue. It is fundamentally an ethical issue because it is a radically human problem, affecting the well-being of families, the survival of the poor, the bonds of community, and the security of the future." I join with the Archbishop and with the Bishops of the United States, and religious leaders of many faiths throughout the world urge you to take the opportunity of the spring meetings in address the debt issue, making the year 2000 a true Jubilee year for the world’s people who need it most.

We will experience a true Jubilee only when the well-being of all, including the world’s most vulnerable people and ecosystems, is given priority over macroeconomic adjustment and neoliberal economic policy. I urge you, in the spirit of Jubilee justice, to take courageous action now: abandon the failed policy of structural adjustment and cancel the debt of the world’s most heavily indebted countries.

Sincerely,
Sister Aline Marie Slocum, C.S.C.
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Clinton plans legislative push as his term nears close

**President's agenda includes 'patients' bill of rights,' Medicare reform, gun control laws and campaign finance reform**

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

President Clinton, convinced that Republican leaders in Congress are out of step with the country, is capitalizing on what aides see as a rare chance to make headways on gun control, Medicare reform and other issues — or at least to make those issues work for Al Gore in November.

On Wednesday, Clinton plans to chart his legislative agenda for the coming months. Aides describe his speech as more policy than politics, but politics is the linchpin for what the White House views as an election year offering an unusual shot at enacting legislation important to the president and popular with voters.

Usually, controversial matters have scant chance of enactment as a national election approaches.

By stoking public pressure for popular ideas such as adding a prescription drug benefit to Medicare, the White House hopes either to force GOP leaders to negotiate or to execute an end run with the help of moderate

Republicans and those facing tough re-election fights this fall.

On the flip side, Democratic candidates may be able to capitalize in the fall if the GOP should thwart these ideas, presidential aides said.

"I think they don't want to just be seen as a Congress that can't produce any real work on behalf of the American people," White House chief of staff John Podesta said in an interview.

The current Congress has little to show for itself so far and has a reputation for partisan rancor, Podesta said.

"They're going to have to think about whether they want to run for re-election carrying that," Podesta said. "We think there is some leverage, and the president will bring that to bear."

Republican strategists say the White House simply is trying to gain partisan advantage and provide legislative fodder for Vice President Gore's presidential campaign.

"They're not really trying to improve or better people's lives. They're trying to create campaign commercials," said John Cowart, spokesman for Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott.

Clinton's strategy of public pressure will be applied to all the main pieces of domestic legislation on his wish list this spring, aides said.

That list includes a "patients' bill of rights" for managed care patients, reform of the Medicare system; the drug benefit; new gun control laws; and campaign finance reform.

On several of these issues, "there are actually bipartisan majorities in either the House or the Senate, and the only thing holding it up in one place or the other is that the Republican leadership has not relented," White House adviser Joel Johnson said.

Clinton is taking a different tack with his push for a new trade deal with China. In that fight, the White House is allied with most Republicans and against many Democrats, labor unions and environmental and human rights groups.

"There is a difference in how they want to do these things for their legacy," Podesta said. "Some Republicans are trying to force their ownversion of minimum wage legislation and other issues. They hope to deny campaign fodder to Gore, help presumptive GOP presidential nominee George W. Bush and hold on to their majority."

Still, the White House bears whispers of Republican dissent.

The House cast a symbolic 218-205 vote this month in favor of moving ahead on gun control. And two Republicans in difficult re-election races attended a White House pep rally for the Clinton gun control agenda.

Rep. Brian Bilbray, R-Calif., who stood prominently beside Clinton at the rally, said bipartisan support exists for several Clinton priorities, but the president must be willing to compromise.

"A lot will depend on how much he wants these things for his legacy," Bilbray said.

The other Republican at the event was Rep. Jim Rogan, R-Calif., one of the House managers who laid out the impeachment case against Clinton in the Senate last year.

Clinton has said he is eager to accomplish big things in his last year in office. But Stephen Hess, presidential analyst at the Brookings Institution, sees little reason for White House optimism in this election year.

"If you look at what the Republicans are proposing in their budget and what the president is proposing in his, they still look like different worlds," Hess said.

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16-year-old arrested in spring break murders

Associated Press

SAN JOSE

Police have arrested a 16-year-old boy in the killing of two American college women near a Costa Rican beach town earlier this month, authorities said Monday.

While police are still trying to determine a motive, they say they're close to solving a case that has threatened Costa Rica's image as a safe, peaceful haven for tourists.

The suspect—whose identity was not released because he is a minor—was arrested Saturday night in Nicoya, a town on the border of Panama, Judicial Police Director Jorge Rojas said.

Rojas said police also are seeking two other male suspects, both minors whom he did not identify.

The bodies of Emily Eagen, of Ann Arbor, Michigan, and Emily Howell, of Lexington, Kentucky, both 19, were found on the side of a highway March 13 near the town of Cahuita, 90 miles east of San Jose. Both had been shot.

Acquaintances of the suspect told police he later gave them the .380-caliber handgun that police allege had been used in Howell's slaying. A second gun of the same caliber was used to kill Eagen, but has not been recovered, Rojas said. The suspect also was identified by two witnesses who claim he forced them as gunpoint to burn the sports utility vehicle the victims had been using.

A juvenile court in the Caribbean city of Limon has ordered the arrest of the boy under a two-month provisional jail term without bail. If convicted, he faces a maximum sentence of 15 years.

Rojas told a news conference that the arrest is "an important development in the case. We are very close to solving it completely," he said.

The deaths shocked this Central American country, whose reputation for safety and stability in an otherwise turbulent region has helped attract thousands of U.S. tourists and about $1 billion a year in tourism from more than 1 million tourists.

Howell had been in Costa Rica working on a photography project for her studies at Ohio's Antioch College. Eagen, who withdrew from Antioch in August, was visiting Howell.

In 1993, Golde's team discovered how vitamin C gets into human cells. They found that an oxidized form of vitamin C, called dehydroascorbic acid enters cells through the same opening used by sugar. Once inside, it is immediately converted back to vitamin C.

He said a key feature of many cancers is they have many more of these sugar openings than do ordinary cells. This allows them to take in the energy they need.

But he said cancer cells often also have very high concentrations of vitamin C. The exact function of the vitamin inside cancer is unknown.

"My experience as a biologist would say it is no accident. The cancer cell wants vitamin C because it wants antioxidant protection."

David Golde

Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center

Vitamin C has many adherents, in part because it is an antioxidant, a substance that protects the body from potentially harmful oxygen particles known as free radicals. Oxidation—the same process that rusts iron—is suspected of triggering cancer and other diseases.

Health experts recommend that people eat plenty of fruits and vegetables because they are good sources of antioxidant nutrients, among other things. Many people routinely take high doses of vitamin C and other antioxidants in the belief that they will prevent or cure illnesses. However, doctors caution that even though various nutritional supplements are natural, this does not necessarily mean they are also safe or effective, especially when combined with other treatments.

Dr. Barrie Cassileth, a medical sociologist who studies vitamin and herbal remedies at Memorial Sloan-Kettering, noted that vitamin C fell from favor as a cancer treatment in 1985 after a Mayo Clinic study found it to be worthless. But it has recently returned to vogue, and some practitioners give extremely high doses to cancer patients as an addition to ordinary treatment or even as a substitute.

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Our Pope took a courageous step in uniting the peoples of the world. It is time for Catholics everywhere to be more tolerant, more humble and more generous. The next time the urge to tell a joke about the "Jew" or the "fag" or the "Wop" swells from within, think of the spirit that rose from within John Paul II.

Watching the Pope last week at the gardens and hilltops, narrow streets and monuments commemorating where Jesus walked, was actually viewing a reenactment of that journey almost, 2000 years ago. John Paul II knows that his remaining time on this earth is short.

The timing of his visit, twenty-two years after its conception, is not a coincidence. Whether the Pope has a month, a year or ten years remaining as head of our Church, he has called us to follow the shepherd ... the same call of two millennia ago.

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For many, recognizing other religions and peoples as family is just as radical today.

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Papal pilgrimage is a radical act

Pope John Paul II's visit through the Holy Land was both moving and courageous. Many non-Catholics had viewed with suspicion the Pope's recent apologues for Catholic transgressions throughout the ages. For some, he had not been specific enough about the kinds of discrimination and oppression which he addressed. For others, his apology did not seem sincere.

Watching the Pope throughout the week, one got the sense that he was like the superstar athlete during his final season. The Pope had planned for this journey 22 years ago after he was elected to the Papacy. This visit was the last hurrah of a religious man who just recently distinguished himself from most of his predecessors. His legacy would be known by his dramatic apology, his gesture for those who had been skeptical.

Catholics take for granted the oppression they still face in many societies, including the United States. We feel comfortable at Notre Dame among our fellow Catholics. We live almost as comfortably in many of our urban and suburban communities, with the exception of numerous southern and midwestern areas. For example, Catholics who have lived in Southern Baptist dominated areas know the type of distrust and discrimination they faced from their neighbors.

Gary Caruso
Capitol Comments

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Will you be someone’s lifeline?

Do you know who your lifetime would be? Sophomore Conor Murphy is hoping to find his chance to help someone with leukemia. This semester, Conor is relying on a bone marrow transplant. The Notre Dame community has a chance to help Conor find his match tomorrow at the bone marrow drive that is being held at the LaFortune Student Center from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Even if it turns out that a match is not found for Conor through the drive this Wednesday, his situation alerts us to the plight of other patients with various types of leukemia, aplastic anemia, severe combined immune deficiency syndrome, sickle cell anemia and radiation poisoning who depend on bone marrow transplantation for their treatment.

More than the marrow itself, these patients rely on us to recognize the importance of becoming a part of the National Bone Marrow Registry. The odds of finding a suitable marrow donor are 1 in 20,000. Although this figure is much higher for patients of minority ethnic heritages, since the National Marrow Donor Program's inception in 1987, more than 3,000,000 volunteer donors have signed into the Registry and as a result more than 9,000 patients have had a second chance at life.

And it's as easy as a blood test. You must be between 18 and 60 years old; have no history of hepatitis, heart disease, cancer, or MDS and sign a standard consent form allowing the Registry to include your HLA type in its confidential files for future matching. HLA, or Human Leukocyte Antigen, equates to your genetic human fingerprint and is determined by tissue typing or molecular typing the white blood cells.

Some students have expressed their reluctance to participate in the drive because they will be included in the registry until their 61st birthday or because they do not want a financial obligation to donate. Participants should be aware however that they can remove their name from the registry at any time and even if they wind up being a match for someone, the entire process is voluntary. Further, the costs of all procedures are borne by the patient and his or her insurance company.

Probably the most common concern is what the actual donation process entails if someone does wind up being a match. The marrow extraction itself requires no donor light anesthesia. Only 2 to 3 percent of a donor's marrow is extracted and a donor may go home the same day or the following morning. The most common side effect is some-}

**Act locally; change our community**

**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR**

**Can’t lawyers take a joke?**

I am writing in response to Lindsay Sesile's letter "Creeps aren't the only cause" [March 27], The Observer. Being in the usual habit of believing as Truth every single opinion from every single person in the Viewpoint, I read McDonald's letter and was positive that ALL law students are creeps. I would like to thank Sesile for clearing up my obviously mistaken assumption. Now I am just left wondering whether or not ALL law students can take a joke, or just the few I've met at Senior Bar.

Kelly Keegan
Sophomore, Walsh Family Hall
March 27, 2000

**Academic freedom**

The issue of our students of color being harassed and intimidated by the University is not one to be overlooked. I thought, imagined, that the PSU would already have sit-ins and protests outside the University's offices and the PSU Town hall and Police Department. Instead they want the University to forsake its already proven leadership role in an organization dealing with sweatshops in order to join a group that has not really come together. It might be that they desire us to sit in the Administration Building and sing the 1960's hit "If You're Not in the Movement You're Out!" rather than sit in Roseland and sing the 1960's fight song "We Shall Overcome!" They want our student body to mobilize for this?

"Think Globally, Act Locally," is a fine motto to follow for justice issues. It makes sense; it does accomplish things at the level where most people are. In other words it is where the rubber hits the road.

Take the lead now! Organize now! Doing that which is positive, concrete and observable on the local level might actually produce results on an issue of justice. It has not been done around here in some time. It might actually be the start of something.

Farver William Scott
Residence: Morning Nzners
March 23, 2000
**ALBUM REVIEW**

‘Giants’ marks necessary transition for Oasis

By CHRISTOPHER McGOVERN

Scene Music Critic

Oasis are not the Beatles. Nor are they the Rolling Stones, the Charlatans or the Stone Roses. Yet due to some brash comments during their younger days, they will always be held to the standard that these great British bands set. It’s a shame because the band responsible for some of the 90’s best songs and one of the decades best albums, Definitely Maybe, is too often overshadowed by the unreasonable expectations placed upon them. It doesn’t help that their last album, Be Here Now, was a critical flop (although it was the fastest selling album of all time in the UK). With their fourth album, Standing on the Shoulder of Giants, however, the Gallagher brothers should quell these pressures — least until their next album.

A project in the works for over two years, Giants started out with a bang: the first two tracks, “F—kin’ In the Bushes” and the first single, “Go Let It Out.” The former, an instrumental featuring a Zeppelin-esque guitar, is unfamiliar territory for Oasis, though certainly welcome. The latter is the prototypical Oasis radio hit, perfect for a pub sing-a-long. It’s quite possibly the strongest number on the album. The remainder of the album contains some solid tracks, incorporating some new sounds for Oasis, but there is nothing particularly groundbreaking.

Musically, the rousing "Put Ye Money Where Your Mouth Is" would fit right in on the Dandy Warhols album Come Down. Unfortunately, it contains the weakest lyrics on the album. Perhaps Noel’s strongest turn of the pen comes on "Standing on the Shoulder of Giants." a song he wrote while dealing with his troubles shaming his cocaine addiction. The song also makes great use of the bands strongest asset, Liam’s voice.

Despite his fantastic vocals however, Liam has never written the words he sings. The first track he has penned to make it to an album, “Little James,” was written for his step-son with wildefarrowza and is a blatan "Hey Jude" rip-off, complete with the requisite "ma ma na na" chorus at the end. While lyrically weak — "You live for your toys/ even though they make noise" — when Liam sings “I’m sing-ing this song for you and your mom and that’s all,” one can’t help but believe him. Although completely self-indulgent, the song strangely works.

Noel takes over lead vocals on two tracks. "Where Did It All Go Wrong?" is a song he wrote about his brother, Noel shows he can be quite a capable vocalist, especially on "Sunday Morning Call." The song, supposedly written for supermodel friend Kate Moss, is a broad, sweeping number which will certainly bring out the sea of lighters when performed live.

The album comes to a close much like the second and best-selling album, (What's the Story) Morning Glory? with "Holl It Over.” Comparable to the epic "Champagne Supernova," the song comes to loud, dramatic crescendo before bringing the album to a soft, almost exhausted-feeling close.

While Giants may not be a huge step forward for Oasis, it is a necessary transition. Their appeal has always lied in their brash, high-energy rock as well as their desire to make music for the people. And progress he damned when all the people want to do is get drunk and sing along.

**ALBUM REVIEW**

Soundtrack offers a preview of upcoming U2 album

By TIMOTHY COLLINS

Scene Music Critic

U2: the biggest rock band of the late '80s and early '90s, is back with their first new release of the new millennium. But it does not come by way of a new album; it comes instead from the soundtrack to the film The Million Dollar Hotel. The movie, written by lead singer Bono and starring Mel Gibson, has already earned critical acclaim in Europe but has yet to pick up an American distributor. Its soundtrack, however, is quite a different story; it has been built up because of the two new U2 songs that are the band's first new material since 1997's Pop.

The album opens with "The Ground Beneath Her Feet," with lyrics written by Salman Rushdie. The song starts at a slow pace, carried by drummer Larry Mullen Jr. and bassist Adam Clayton, before exploding about halfway through into one of the band's best guitar riffs. Bono relates the great lyrics with such emotion that when he sings, "Let me love you, let me rescue you. Let me bring you where two roads meet. Oh come back above where there is only love," the listener can feel his pain with every line.

The only other new contribution from the band comes in "Stateless," a song that is somewhat reminiscent of Radioheads. Bono's lyrics sound more like poetry than anything he has ever written before, and Clayton's throbbing bass once again carries the song. It takes a few listens before it sticks in the listener's head and it is definitely not as catchy as a lot of the band's music, but it shows a new side of the band.

The other song that stands out on the album is the U2 song "The First Time," which is taken from the band's Grammy Award-winning 1993 album, Zooropa.

The song steals the show on the soundtrack, Bono's lyrics, about the first time he feels love between a man and his lover, brother and father, is as good as anything the band has ever written. The album that it comes from may be the best of the band's career as well, and this song sounds as fresh as it did seven years ago.

The rest of the soundtrack consists of a few songs that Bono wrote and performed without U2. The best of which is "Never Let Me Go," in which he collaborates with Daniel Lanois, the band's long-time producer. The rest of the album is made up of instrumentals and covers; the most interesting of which is the Spanish version of the Sex Pistols' classic "Anarchy in the U.K." It definitely offers a different take on the song.

This soundtrack is a must-have for any U2 fan. The band's new songs are as good as anything the band has written in the last few years. The rest of the songs on the album are good, but it wouldn't be worthy of buying if it weren't for the two new U2 songs. Those new songs give a great glimpse into what to expect from the band's new album due out this fall.
**zMUSICCRITIC**

By JOSEPH LARSON

Scene Music Critic

**W**hen you think of the world’s great- est rock ’n’ roll bands of all time, AC/DC probably isn’t the first that comes to mind — but you can’t com­pletely disregard them.

Since 1973, AC/DC (whose name was taken from the back of a vacuum cleaner or, Alternating Current/Direct Current) has released 18 studio albums and three live CDs. They’ve forever changed the face of rock music with their hard-driving, thunderous sound. Every rock musician has tried to copy the energy and pounding hallucination that is signature AC/DC. So what if their music hasn’t exactly developed and matured over the years? They’re still one of the longest running rock bands of all time. Not only is it impressive that they’re still playing after all these years, but they haven’t softened up at all. Unlike other rock bands still around from the ’70s (i.e., Aerosmith), AC/DC has maintained the same style they had when they released their first album, High Voltage, in 1973.

Some critics would consider it a bad thing that AC/DC has simply been making the exact same album for the last 27 years. They would say that they are long over the hill and should promptly retire and quit boring us with the same songs over and over again. The problem is, AC/DC is never boring — even though they’ve been rapping themselves for years. They continue to rock the way they always have. Their songs, though pertaining to the same subject matter throughout their career, are still the most energetic of any of the rock bands out today.

AC/DC’s first singer, Bon Scott, summed it up best when he said, “All the songs we do are basically about three things: booze, sex and rock n’ roll. The more do you want out of a rock band? They’re not trying to say anything important; they’re just playing good rock n’ roll and they know it.

This still may not be enough to silence the critics, who would argue that AC/DC has lost a step on their new release, Stiff Upper Lip. Some would say that this new album sounds like a band impersonating AC/DC. They would say that lead guitarist Angus Young doesn’t have the same power he had on songs like “You Shook Me All Night Long,” “Back in Black” and “For Those About to Rock We Salute You.” They would consider this new album a fertile attempt at capturing their patented, hard-driving music.

This just isn’t right, even though there are no songs like “Back in Black” on Stiff Upper Lip — this album is still patented AC/DC. They have had plenty of albums without classic singles over the years.

The theme of a single does not mean that AC/DC has lost any of their punch. This is apparent on songs like “Hold Me Back,” “All Screwed Up” and “Give It Up.” The best song on the album is the full-steam-ahead rocker “Satellite Blues,” which consists of lead singer Brian Johnson being echoed by his backing in the chorus. This sound is true to AC/DC’s strict rock n’ roll code, proving rock bands don’t need backup singers. This song is what rock music is meant to be.

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**CONCERT REVIEW**

Indie band played an earful of a performance

By JOHN HUSTON

Scene Music Critic

The setting: Spring Break 2000. New Orleans, La., the week after Mardi Gras. Lots of beads, boobs and beer. So why not take a night off and see some indie rock?

Man or Astro-man? are known for their live shows, and their cover of the Mystery Science Theatre 3000 theme song is spectacular.

The first band of the evening was Causey Way. Their performance was most memorable for being boring and unoriginal. Basically they were Devu rip-offs. Man or Astro-man? are too, but they pull it off a little more effectively. It seemed like Causey Way assumed the band should put on a good show if they all dressed in matching jumpsuits, played quirky music and moved erratically in time with the music. They assumed wrong. It was permissible to spend the time during Causey Way’s set at the bar trying to ignore them. Luckily they weren’t playing too loudly.

Papas Fritas took the stage soon thereafter. They are on Minty Fresh Causey Way being echoed by his backing in the chorus. This sound is true to AC/DC’s strict rock n’ roll code, proving rock bands don’t need backup singers. This song is what rock music is meant to be.

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Just like the ’80s, it got boring pretty quickly.

The coolest thing about the band was their lead singer/guitarist’s striking resemblance to David Koren. Top that off with the fact that an Art Garfunkel lookalike played the bass (and provided back-up harmonies! Just like the REAL Garfunkel!). Their female drummer would occasionally sing lead vocals, and she definitely provided the band’s shining musical moments.

Although Papas Fritas played at a volume slightly higher than Causey Way, they could not even compare to the sonic onslaught that followed.

The Man or Astro-man? stage show didn’t disappoint. They claimed to be outer space computer experts, Man or Astro-man? feature a computer keyboard slung around their necks that were linked up to amplifiers to produce spacey, Casio-like sounds.

At one point, between songs, they revealed a large aquarium at the back of the stage that contained a large brain that they said helped them relate to the earthlings. How nice of them!

After wading through the opening bands and suffering sufficient hearing loss, they didn’t even have the courtesy to play the MST3K theme. Oh well, it was enjoyable, if not a little painful. As they say, it hurt so good.

The Man or Astro-man? live show is worth the price of admission — this particular show cost $8. Spare yourself the post-show deafness, though, and drop an extra fifty cents on a pair of earplugs first. You’ll be glad you did.
WOMEN'S NCAA CHAMPIONSHIP

Vols defeat Raiders 57-44 to return to Final Four

Associated Press

MEMPHIS, Tenn. - Tamika Catchings couldn't shoot Monday night. The All-American did just about everything else to make sure the Tennessee Lady Vols got back to the Final Four for a record 12th time.

Catchings, playing on a sprained right ankle much of the game, scored just seven points but grabbed 16 rebounds in helping top-seeded Tennessee hold off Texas Tech 57-44 in the NCAA Midwest Regional final.

For awhile, the game looked like a replay of last year's East Regional final, when Tennessee's star player, Chamique Holdsworth, couldn't hit a shot. The Lady Vols lost that game to Duke, ending a run of three straight national championships.

But Catchings refused to let the Lady Vols slip to 63-30 lose to Texas Tech.

The 6-foot-1 forward was everywhere, tipping away passes, taking charges and matching her career high on the boards. She had three steals and handed out six assists.

Kara Lawson led Tennessee with 13 points. Michelle Snow and Siena Hamzah added 12 points each for the Lady Vols, who now a perfect 7-0 in regional finals played in Tennessee.

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Penn State 86, Louisiana Tech 65

Penn State and coach Rene Portland are finally going to the Final Four.

Lisa Shepherd scored 20 of her 25 points in the first half to put Penn State in command and the Lady Lions top-seeded Louisiana Tech 86-65 Monday night in the Midwest Regional.

Penn State (30-4) survived the pressure defense of Tech guards Tamicha Jackson and Betty Lennox, who shot 54 percent from 3-point range (7-for-13) and dominated the play inside.

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Penn State outscored Tech 5-2, all off free throws, to finish the half with a 45-29 lead, only the fourth time this season the Lady Techsters trailed at halftime.

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Connecticut is going back to the Final Four for the first time in four years, but not with an air of invincibility.

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But some of the Huskies' swagger may have been diminished by the third-seeded Lady Tigers, who shot 73.9 percent in the first half and were within striking distance at intermission, trailing 46-41.

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**Indians interested in Rocker**

Associated Press

MELBOURNE, Fla. - Cleveland manager Charlie Manuel escaped the strong winds blowing inside Space Coast Stadium on Monday by stepping down into the Indians dugout.

Once inside, he asked about the big trade rumor that blew through earlier.

"We got Rocker yet?" Manuel asked fellow manager Jimy Williams of the Atlanta Braves, who had won the over the Florida Marlins.

John Rocker, Atlanta's controversial pitcher who was suspended by baseball for insensitive racial comments, is reportedly being discussed as part of a trade between the Braves and Indians, who just might be in the market for a closer.

"I think probably everyone in baseball has asked about Rocker," Manuel said. "I know his name came up, but how involved and deep we got, I don't know. I don't think that it's gotten to where we were dickering over a deal."

Rocker's name has been popping up all over Florida. Baseball fans are still arguing over whether he's a hero or an martyr, while major league general managers are trying to decide if the left-hander would fit in with their teams.

If he's worth the trouble.

Indians GM John Hart wouldn't confirm or deny a report in Monday's Cleveland Plain Dealer that he's discussed a trade involving Rocker and left-hander Bruce Chen for starter Jaret Wright, reliever Paul Shuey and infielders John McDonald or Jolbert Cabrera.

"This is the time for a lot of rumors," Hart said while sitting behind home plate during Monday's game. "And right now I've got two guys competing for a closer's job, so I really don't want to say anything about that."

"Everybody realizes the Rocker situation, which I guess you could say was a winter of turmoil," Hart said. "When Mike Jackson, who saved 39 games for Cleveland last year, wasn't re-signed this winter, the Indians were left without a closer. Manuel's plan was to have a competition for the job between Steve Karsay and Paul Shuey, but so far that battle has been very one-sided. Karsay, a former starter who has never closed before in his career, has not allowed a run in 8 1-3 innings during the exhibition season. Shuey, meanwhile, had his ERA swell to 10.80 after giving up six runs and six hits in two-thirds of an inning against the St. Louis Cardinals on Sunday. But despite the disparity in numbers, Manuel isn't ready to pick a closer.

"I don't want either one to think I'm putting the other one ahead of him now," Manuel said. "If someone one steps up fine, but right now nobody is ahead of the other."

Rocker would immediately step ahead of both Karsay and Shuey. He had 38 saves and a 2.49 ERA last season, but is suspended for the first two weeks of the season for his disparaging comments about minorities, gays and foreigners.

"There's not too many guys out there with Rocker's ability," said Manuel. "He'll light you up."

Manuel said he wouldn't be too concerned about how his team might react if Rocker were to join the Indians, who like the Braves have a large nucleus of Latin players.

"I would say the majority of them would give him another chance," Manuel said. "We can give the president of the U.S. we can forgive Rocker if he throws 100 mph."

There are other reasons to think the Indians and Braves could be up to something.

Hart is a good friend of Atlanta GM John Schuerholz, who denied a trade Monday that had Rocker going to Montreal for closer Ugueth Urbina. The two pulled off a blockbuster trade on the eve of opening day in 1997 when Hart traded Kenny Lofton and Alomar to Atlanta for Marquis Grissom and David Justice.

Rocker got a mixed greeting from Indians fans when he stepped down into the Indians' dugout.

**Players file charge with labor board**

Associated Press

Claiming the NBA's use of locker room cameras is an illegal change in working conditions, the league's players filed an unfair labor practice charge with the National Labor Relations Board.

The union also wants to stop the NBA from using boom microphones in team huddles during timeouts.

"The NBA cannot impose these changes without the union's consent," union lawyer Robert Lanza said Monday. "While players certainly want to enhance the game experience for every fan, these types of changes can only be brought about through collective bargaining."

The charge was filed March 16 with the New York regional office of the NLRB. Dan Silverman, the NLRB's New York regional director, assigns staff investigators to cases and they usually take 6-8 weeks to determine whether to issue a complaint.

"The charge is without merit," NBA deputy commissioner Russ Granik said.

NBA coaches earlier complained about the league's attempt to put microphones on them during some national broadcasts. The boom microphones during huddles were part of a compromise with the coaches.
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PORT CHARLOTTE, Fla. — With both Cincinnati Reds and Dallas Cowboys fans cheering him on Monday, Deion Sanders got back to major league baseball, and got a hit, too.

With two black batting gloves flapping from each of his back pockets and a thick gold chain and jeweled cross dangling from his neck, Sanders played in his second spring training game as a replacement left fielder.

He also got a couple of at-bats in Cincinnati’s 9-8 loss to the Texas Rangers. Sanders grounded out to second and lined a single to left, then slid in hard at second base as the Rangers unsuccessfully tried to turn a double play.

"Any time you get to play with the big guys, that’s definitely a step forward," Sanders said.

His reemergence was an indication he could be back with the Reds sooner than expected.

Sanders, in camp on a minor league contract, has missed most of spring training because of a balky knee and a swollen ankle.

A day after Dr. Timothy Kremchek predicted it would take Sanders four more weeks to get into top playing shape, the outfielder diplomatically disagreed.

"How can I put this gently: That’s Dr. Kremchek’s opinion," Sanders said. "I feel good running."

The Cowboys comeback had arthroscopic surgery on his right knee on Jan. 24 and could only hobble last month when he resumed a baseball career put on hold in 1997. He didn’t move well in a split-squad game on March 14, going 0-for-3.

His right ankle later swelled up, requiring a cortisone shot 11 days ago. He had spent the last few days playing in minor league games.

The Reds don’t need another outfielder but general manager Jim Bowden would love to have Sanders available as a pinch runner as soon as he’s healthy.

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Sanders said, "If they feel that’s where I need to go to do rehab, I’ll do so."

Bowden was back in Cincinnati on Monday, missing the return of one of his favorite players.

A buzz went through the crowd of 4,519 when Sanders, wearing No. 12, moved into the on-deck circle in the sixth inning to pinch hit for Ken Griffey Jr. He didn’t get to bat that inning because Chris Stynes made the last out, but stayed in the game as the left fielder.
Irish sweep Jayhawks 9-0 after 9-day layoff

By KEVIN BERCHOU
Sports Writer

After a nine-day layoff, the Notre Dame women’s tennis team was eager to return to play Monday, and return they did, blasting the overwhelmed Kansas Jayhawks 9-0 at the Eck Tennis Pavilion.

The Irish came out firing on all cylinders, and from the match’s onset it was clear the Jayhawks were an endangered species.

“Everyone played well,” junior star Michelle Dasso said. “We were all eager to get out there and play.”

It was Dasso that gave the Irish the lead they would never relinquish. She dismantled Jayhawk Brooke Chiller in straight sets, setting an emphatic tone for the rest of the match. On this day there was no way the Irish were going to lose.

Sophomore Becky Varnum and senior Kelly Zalinksi followed their teammate’s sterling example with strong play of their own, as they netted victories at No. 2 and No. 3 singles respectively. Zalinski saw her match stretched to a third set, the only time all day Notre Dame would go to three. Zalinski, however, recorded yet another singles win and moving one step closer to the school record for career singles wins.

With the match clinched after singles play, head coach Jay Louderback decided to do some experimenting with his doubles pairings.

Louderback chose to play Kimberly Dasso with Sarah Scaringe at No. 3 doubles. The move was unexpected, as Guy had been sidelined for over a month with a wrist injury and was not thought to be ready to compete. Having the win already in hand, Louderback saw a great opportunity to give Guy, one of the squad’s best doubles players, a chance to work her way back in to the mix.

“She looked great out there,” Dasso noted. “She’s fine in practice, and she didn’t have any pain. The only thing is, she can’t hit a two-handed backhand.”

Guy was apparently just fine, as she teamed with Scaringe for an 8-6 win. Dasso and Varnum notched an easy win at No. 1 doubles, while Zalinksi and sophomore Nina Vaughan were victorious at No. 2 doubles.

Having gotten back on track with one of their best performances of the season, the Irish anticipate a tough match when they attempt to tame the Wolverines of Michigan Wednesday.

The Wolverines have lacked bite this season, posting a record of just 6-5, but are come off their first shutout of the season, a 7-0 blanking of the Michigan State Spartans. The win was the Wolverines’ first in the Big Ten.

“It’ll be a tough match,” Dasso said. “We play them every year and it’s always close. It’ll be a little more important because it’s a regional match.”

Michigan boasts solid singles play, headed by Brooke Hart and Danielle Lund.

“Their singles are good,” Dasso noted. “It’s probably their strength.”

Though the Wolverines are strong in one-on-one matches, the Irish will likely still have an advantage. Dasso and Varnum have been playing well of late.

The Irish should see a noticeable upswing in their doubles play. The return of Guy, even at partial strength, moves to stabilize a doubles lineup that is desperately looking to regain its early season form.
Irish drop to 9-7 with losses to Tar Heels, Blue Devils

By RACHEL BIBER
Sports Writer

Defeat is usually tough to swallow, but the 23rd-ranked Irish men’s tennis team wrapped up a weekend of competition with an especially bitter taste in their mouths after losing to both 28th-ranked North Carolina and 5th-ranked Duke, to fall to 9-7 on the season.

Notre Dame kicked off its competition on a high note Saturday against the Tar Heels by winning the doubles point to notch a 1-0 lead. The advantage disappeared, though, and North Carolina rallied for the 4-3 win with straight set singles wins at Nos. 2, 4, 5, and 6.

“The North Carolina match was a tough match to lose,” Irish coach Bob Bayliss said. “We played pretty hard, and it could have gone either way, but it was an opportunity we let slip through our fingers.”

North Carolina’s defeat of the Irish marks its first win over a Top 25 team since April 13, 1997 when they beat 25th-ranked Virginia 6-1, and was a highlight of their recent seven-match winning streak.

The 37th-ranked doubles team of Irish sophomores Javier Taborga and Aaron Talarico beat the Tar Heels’ Ben Eltis and Tripp Phillips 8-5 at No. 1 doubles, improving to 15-6 on the year. Seniors Ryan Sachire and Trent Miller followed suit with an 8-2 victory over North Carolina’s Tyne Brownlow and David Cheatwood at No. 2 doubles to give the Irish the lead heading into singles.

But North Carolina came back, winning four of the six remaining singles matches.

Tenth-ranked Sachire and Matt Daly both pulled through to provide the lone singles victories for the Irish after dropping the first set in their matches. All-American Cheatwood beat 47th-ranked Phillips 4-6, 6-4, 6-3 at No. 1 singles, while Daly defeated Cheatwood 2-6, 6-0, 6-4 at No. 3 singles.

The Irish hung to their lead, but dropped close matches at Nos. 4 and 5 singles, allowing North Carolina to secure the victory and improve its record to 10-2.

Notre Dame’s Taborga was defeated 7-6, 7-6 at No. 4 singles while Andrew Laffin was downed by the same score at No. 5 singles.

“We could have won the (Nos. 4 and 5 singles matches) and won 2-2. But ‘could of, would of, should of’ doesn’t get it done,” Bayliss said.

Following their loss to the Tar Heels, the Irish traveled to Durham, N. C., to take on the Blue Devils on Sunday, but they left any sense of force on the tennis courts in Chapel Hill.

The Notre Dame squad lost the doubles point and won just one singles match in its 6-1 loss to Duke.

Duke took all three doubles matches from a scrambled Irish lineup to secure a 1-0 lead going into singles play.

Taborga, who usually pairs with Talarico at No. 1 doubles, did not play on Sunday due to a shoulder injury, leaving the duo of Sachire and Miller to fill in the top spot.

Duke’s third-ranked team of Doug Root and Ramsey Smith beat Sachire and Miller 8-6, while Notre Dame’s Casey Smith and James Malham were also edged by the score of 8-6 at No. 2 doubles. Talarico and Daly teamed up for the first time and lost 8-2 in the No. 3 match. Sachire held off a Blue Devil sweep with a 6-3, 6-4 win over Duke’s 42nd-ranked Root in the No. 1 singles match. The victory improves Sachire’s singles record to 23-9 on the year and marks his 12th win of the year at No. 1 singles.

The Blue Devils then rolled off a string of straight set victories in the remaining five singles matches to take home the win.

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Doherty leaving his mark on program in just one season

By BRIAN KESSLER

Two weeks ago, first-year head coach Matt Doherty was forced to put a little detour in this year's game plan. Winning an NIT championship wasn't in his original list of five goals that he set forth at the beginning of the season. Nevertheless, Doherty and the Irish (21-14) are cherishing the possibility of bringing home a title.

"Wouldn't it be nice to hang up that same winning philosophy to South Bend. Most importantly, his players have bought into it.

"At first you might have thought his goals were a little outrageous," sophomore All-American Troy Murphy said. "But he's a pretty amazing guy. We've got 21 wins and a lot of teams would like to be in the semifinals of the NIT. And he's never been a head coach before."

Not a bad resume for a first-year head coach that took over a 14-16 Irish basketball team. He also led Notre Dame to an 8-8 conference mark, a team. He also led Notre Dame over a 14-16 Irish basketball year ahead coach that took on the NIT because I think we pass his team by this season.

"That's been part of our mission — to prove to the NCAA committee that they made a mistake," Doherty told the Associated Press Monday during a luncheon to introduce the coaches of the NIT semifinals. "I tell the team to look at Wisconsin in the NCAA tournament. They have 3 losses. That could have been us:

"These four [NIT] teams could be in that other tournament, but I, uh, forget the name of it," Doherty joked.

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Tournament game. But Doherty doesn't know any other standard.

He played with Michael Jordan at North Carolina and helped the Tar Heels to the 1982 NCAA Championship. As an assistant coach at Kansas, Doherty teamed up with Roy Williams to lead the Jayhawks to the 1993 Final Four.

And now he has brought that same winning philosophy to South Bend. Most importantly, his players have bought into it.

"At first you might have thought his goals were a little outrageous," sophomore All-American Troy Murphy said. "But he's a pretty amazing guy. We've got 21 wins and a lot of teams would like to be in the semifinals of the NIT. And he's never been a head coach before."

Not a bad resume for a first-year head coach that took over a 14-16 Irish basketball team. He also led Notre Dame to an 8-8 conference mark, a team. He also led Notre Dame over a 14-16 Irish basketball year ahead coach that took on the NIT because I think we pass his team by this season.

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Irish in search of school's first-ever postseason championship

By KATHLEEN O'BRIEN

Senior point guard Jimmy Dillon looks to get the ball into the post during the Irish's win over the Cougars. The victory sent a basketball program that last reserved for the NCAA tournament not be the pinnacle of college basketball; that's something accomplished at Notre Dame (21-14) would like to communicate loud and clear in tonight's semifinals match-up against the Penn State Nittany Lions (18-15).

"I'm just looking forward to going back in New York, proving the NCAA Tournament selection committee wrong, and showing everybody that we could have been in the tournament," senior forward Ha rold Swannagan said.

The Nittany Lions, who have been on fire since the postseason started in the way of an Irish celebration.

Since dropping five straight conference games to close out the regular season, Penn State won five of six in the Big Ten tournament and NIT. Three of those victories have been over teams Notre Dame also defeated - Michigan, Ohio State and Siena.

"I know that they're playing really well right now," Notre Dame sophomore David Graves said. "I remember during the middle of the season they weren't doing too well, but obviously they made a big run and a big surge and they won some quality games. It's going to be a battle.

Penn State turns to the inside tandem of senior forward Jarrett Stephens and junior forward Titus Ivory, both of whom average in double digits.

Stephens, who scores 17.7 points per game and pulls down 10.7 rebounds, was the only Big Ten player to complete the year in the top five in both categories. He recorded 19 double doubles this year.

Brothers Joe and Jon Crispin pose a perimeter threat for the Irish Joe Crispin, a junior guard, scores 18.7 points per game, while Jon, a freshman guard, adds 9.5 points per outing. The siblings are buddies of Notre Dame freshman guard Matt Carroll, a Pennsylvania native.

"The only thing I know about Penn State is the Crispin brothers because Matt Carroll is good friends with them," Graves said after Notre Dame beat Brigham Young to advance to the semifinals. "I know that they're tremendous shooters, and they really look for their shots.

The Irish will be looking to get Graves some open shots, who is tied for the school record in single-season 3-point field goals with 80 Carroll and senior point guard Jimmy Dillon should dish out the ball inside to beat a red-hot Nittany Lions squad.

Sophomore All-American Troy Murphy converts an uncontested lay up in Notre Dame's NIT quarterfinal victory over BYU. Murphy and the Irish take on the Nittany Lions tonight at 9 p.m.

The Irish are looking for a consolation game Thursday at 4:30 p.m.

"We're not just going to go there happy that we made it to the semifinals," Graves said. "We're going to prove to everybody who counted us out that we're legit and that we should be in the tournament.

The winner will play the victor of the North Carolina State-Wake Forest game in the finals at 7 p.m. Thursday, while the two losers will face off in a consolation game Thursday at 4:30 p.m.

"Now we want to win this first game, because they have a consolation game in the NIT," Doherty said. "Nobody likes to play in a consolation game, so that might be a good motivator for us."

Both the Irish and the Nittany Lions are looking for their first ever NIT title.
Volleyball
Irish recruiting class ranked ninth in nation

Special to The Observer

Notre Dame head volleyball coach Debbie Brown’s 2000 recruiting class has been ranked ninth nationally in the May 2000 issue of Volleyball Magazine, one of the sport’s most well-known and oldest monthly publications.

The Irish class of 2004, which is comprised of middle blocker Kim Fletcher outside hitter Jessica Kinder, setter Kristen Kinder and middle blocker Katherine Neff signed letters of intent in early February.

Two of the four recruits, Kristen Kinder and Fletcher, were also named to the publication’s “Fab 50” list. The “Fab 50” list is an annual list of the country’s high school seniors who have the most promise as collegiate players according to the magazine.

Kristen Kinder and Fletcher will join five other former Fab 50 selections next season including seniors Denise Boylan, Christi Girton and Jo Jamnison and juniors Marele Bondock and Malinda Garofalo. Other former Fab 50 selections to play for the Irish included 1999 Big East Player of the Year Mary Leffers, first all-conference selection and current assistant coach Lindsay Treadwell, All-American Jamie Lee and first team all-district selections Angie Harris and Carey May.

Happy 21st Birthday, Ellie!
Baseball

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with a .329 average. Aronson was inducted into the Baseball Hall of Fame in Cooperstown, N.Y., in 1939.

Many other players from the pre-World War II era of Irish baseball went on to major league careers, including Fred "Cy" Williams, who played for the Irish from 1916-1912 and went on to become a four-time National League batting champion.

It was during the 1930's that two of the most significant players were on an Irish uniform.

Yaz and the '57 Irish

Ironically, the most famous Irish player this century never actually took the field in a game. Boston Red Sox Hall of Famer Carl "The Babe" Yastrzemski — one of the greatest American athletes during the 1960's and 70's — attended Notre Dame during the pre-World War II era of Irish baseball.

"It was just one of those times when everything was going good," says Morris, who is now the religious school director at his local parish. "In fact, two of the outs I made were line drives.

Bob Fitch pitched for the Irish in 1963, preceding a major league career in which he would win 146 games in 19 years. Fitch also played in the NBA.

Kevin Hardy was Notre Dame's first three-sport athlete in the second half of the century, playing baseball in 1964 and '65 while also playing basketball and football.

Moving to more recent players, in 1989 outfielder Dan Peltier was a Baseball America first-team All-American. Peltier, who was also a two-time GTE Academic All-American, went on to play for the Texas Rangers, the Florida Marlins, who eventually made the majors.

Kevin Kline returned to Notre Dame in 1998, succeeding in Fort Myers, Fla.

The tie that binds

While the United States experienced the Great Depression, two World Wars, and the presidency of Richard Nixon during the period between 1915 and 1975, for all 43 games in the 62-year stretch Clarence "Jake" Kline was involved in the Notre Dame baseball program.

Kline played on the varsity squad from 1915-1917, serving as a captain in his senior season. He hit .300 each season and once hit three home runs in a game, still tied for the Irish single-game record. After fighting in the war and pursuing a professional baseball career, Kline returned to Notre Dame in 1931.

He would never leave.

After serving as freshman coach from 1915 through 1923, Kline was named varsity coach in 1934. He maintained the position until his retirement after the 1975 season at the age of 81. Kline remained involved in the program until his death in 1989 at the age of 94.

During his tenure as coach, he led many successful teams. The 1949 squad finished 20-8, earning the Irish their first ever appearance in the NCAA Championships.

Despite the fact that he'd been around as long as he had, he still had a great knowledge of the game.

Changing venues

For the majority of the first 85 years that Notre Dame fielded a varsity team, home games were held at Carter Field, which is located in an area that now contains the offices between Notre Dame Stadium and the Hesburgh Library. These fields can be seen during the scenes on the football practice fields in the movie Knute Rockne: All-American.

In 1977, the team moved to a new facility that would be known as Jake Kline Field, in honor of the famous coach. This field is located in the area where Rolfs Recreation Center now stands. Between 1988 and 1993 Notre Dame also played some home games at Coveleski Stadium in South Bend, where the local minor league games usually take place.

The Irish moved into their current facility in 1994, Frank Eck Stadium, which features one of the finest press boxes in the nation and a very large clubhouse.

No matter where the Irish have played their home games, they have always been involved in college baseball.

Giving back to Notre Dame

Many former players have gone on to important roles at Notre Dame and within the Notre Dame community. Lennon, of course, has built up one of the most successful alumni programs of any university in the country.

Dick Rosenthal played first base in 1952 and '53 before serving as an assistant coach under Mike Wadsworth as Notre Dame's ace baseball coach. Current associate athletic director Tom Kelly coached the team from 1975 to 1980.

Joe Kornan, who caught for the Irish in 1966 and '67, has served two terms as mayor of South Bend before taking his current place as. the Indiana lieutenant governor.

Dick Nussbaum, whose son Matt is a tri-captain on the current Notre Dame squad, served as a general counsel to Kornan.

"When we were playing we all were students first and athletes second simply because the baseball program was not as big a deal as the football program," said Dick Nussbaum. "We were almost all walk-ons. I think it helped all of us because when we got to the world we were able to compete. We learned discipline, hard work, and competition while playing baseball."

Irish fans spend an afternoon at Cartier Field, which served as the Notre Dame baseball team's home for its first 85 years.
Softball

Irish fall to Michigan, place second at Invite

By RACHAEL PROTZMAN
Sports Writer

Notre Dame softball combined for a season-high record of 16 hits as it finished second in the Boilermaker Invitational over the weekend.
The No. 22 Irish, who improved to 22-8 overall, went 3-1 at Purdue, falling only to the tournament champion No. 13 Michigan.
Junior Melanie Alkire and sophomore Jennifer Kriech led the Irish as they were named to the all-tournament team. Alkire and Jennifer Sharron led Notre Dame offensively as it grabbed a total of 16 hits to defeat Kent State 12-4 in game one on Saturday.

The Golden Flashes grabbed an early lead with four runs in the top of the third before the Irish struck back. Alkire finished the rally with a two-run home run to top the five Irish runs in the bottom of the third. Four more Irish players crossed the plate during the fourth, including two on a double by Alkire.

The Irish grabbed three more runs in the sixth, including two on a home run by Sharron, to put the Golden Flashes away. Alkire also led Notre Dame defensively, earning the win on the mound, to improve her record to 5-0 on the season.

In game two action on Saturday, Notre Dame fell to No. 13 Michigan 5-1 for its only loss of the tournament. The Wolverines got revenge for their NCAA Tournament loss to the Irish. Andrea Loman tripled and scored Notre Dame's lone run on an infield single by Andria Bledsoe.

The Irish came on strong in the first game Sunday to defeat Toledo 12-1. The Rockets totaled just three hits while Notre Dame racked up 13. Kriech kicked off the scoring for the Irish with a double before scoring on an RBI by Alkire in the first. Notre Dame then went up 5-0 with a big second inning.

The Irish grabbed three runs in the third before scoring two more runs in both the fourth and fifth to finish the Rockets.

After a split decision last week at home, the Irish came back to show Purdue who is in charge with a 4-0 win. The victory clinched second place in the tournament for Notre Dame.

The game was scoreless through the fourth. Danielle Klayman, who finished 3-for-3, singled in the fifth and scored on a RBI single by Kriech to give Notre Dame its first run. Bledsoe and Alkire each added an RBI single to aid the Irish.

Plecher Sharron earned her 11th win of the season (11-4) and seventh solo shutout while allowing just two hits and striking out seven.

Notre Dame next plays on Wednesday, when it will host a doubleheader with Eastern Michigan.

ATTENTION STUDENTS OF COLLEGE OF SCIENCE

Please join your faculty at a Faculty-Student Luncheon to be held today, Wednesday, March 29 at South Dining Hall Hospitality Room 12-1:30 p.m.

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Crossword

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2  Like a horror movie  10  Visually dull  17  Mountain ridge  26  Actor DeVito
3  Mississippian  11  Highly amusing  18  Mussorgsky's song  27  Actor Sandler
4  Dracula's sculptor  12  Ohio tire center  19  Mussorgsky's song  28  Diver's dread
5  Small amount of lugosi's lullaby  13  Living thing  20  Mountain ridge  29  Solomon's seven
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7  Redhead's dye  15  Barbara's  22  Move like  31  Vladimir Putin's
8  quaint lodging  16  Barbara's  23  Hot and dry  32  Taro dish
9  Mississippi's

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Horoscope

TUESDAY, MARCH 28, 2000

CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: Dianne Wiest, Reba McEntire, Noel Kimross, Fresh McGuck; Dirk Bogarde, Karen Kain, Vincent Vaughn.

Happy Birthday, you'll be off to the races this year. Interaction with others will lead you in new directions. You will stand up for your rights and take on any challenge. Your sharp mind will help you take action quickly. You will get what you want as long as you're persistent. Your numbers are 5, 14, 23, 26, 34.

Aries (March 21-April 19): Your approach to life may be too eager to please others. Don't make promises you can't keep. Be sure not to offer to pay for others' entertainment.

Taurus (April 20-May 20): Don't let your opinions never get out of hand. Argument with your partner will lead to lowliness and possible estrangement.

Gemini (May 21-June 20): Travel will be challenging. Keep your wits about you, or you may make a big mistake. You may also be giving too much away. You may need to take a day off from your job to rest.

Cancer (June 21-July 22): Your responsibilities must be taken care of first.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22): Anger will get the better of you if you get too caught up in the moment.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept 22): Your work will lead to minor accidents. Be sure not to offer to pay for others' entertainment.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Children will make you very proud if you're going to be late. Problems with your boss may cause you to work overtime.

Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Financially you may find it difficult to express yourself to loved ones. However, you will be able to communicate to others if you're not too demanding.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Don't let others stand in your way. Do your own thing and don't ask for permission. Breaks can cause a lot of grief if you allow them to interfere with your personal dreams.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Let go of the past, and you'll be surprised how much you can accomplish.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Your emotional well being depends on your ability to see all the possibilities.

Pisces (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): Your advice will be appreciated by someone who may have little knowledge about the subject. Everything will fall into place.

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Birthday Baby: You will continually look for something that will add adventure and excitement to your life. You will never back down from a challenge and will use your charm and wit to help you march through life.
SOFTBALL

Saint Mary's opens home season with pair of wins

By KAREN SCHAF
Sports Writer

The Saint Mary's softball team started the home season off on the right foot with an 8-0 win over the Concordia Cougars. With these wins the Belles bolstered their record to 9-4. Saint Mary’s opened the season with a double header, cruising to an 8-0 win over the Cougars. With these wins the Belles displayed during the game.

"We looked strong, and defensively we are as solid as any other team out there," head coach Dave Speybroeck said. He added that he has been moving his team around, trying to fit each player to her position. "I like to put my fastest girls in the outfield so they can get to the ball," he said.

"Years team lacks experience. Eight of 18 players are freshmen and there are no returning seniors," Speybroeck said. "Most of my freshmen girls just need college experience," Speybroeck said. "They are all really good players, and we are just trying to find where they are best suited for right now."

For Wednesday's game against Olivet College, Speybroeck wants to work on pitching.

He noted that although his pitchers have rhythm, their speed isn’t quite there yet. Kristin Martin and Anne Seeger each pitched against Concordia.

The Belles continued to play hard. Midway through the third inning the Belles had created a substantial lead, 12-1. The Belles continued to play hard.

Concordia suffered from poor play. The Cougars had several errors and gave up several runs due to walks. They did not lack the cohesion the Belles displayed during the game.

Saint Mary's 9-4. Belles came out looking strong in their first game, shutting out the Cougars 8-0.

The Belles30ured the Cougars in the second game of the double header, cruising to a 12-1 win.

The Belles dominated offensively with Barbel Deer and Trish Klockner blasting home-runs in the first inning. "We’re coming out of our hitting slump," Klockner said.

"And we’re starting to gel together," Deer said.

"We were so fired up from the beginning and that boosted our emotions to play," Deer said.

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A Saint Mary’s player crosses the plate in the Belles win over the Cougars last weekend. The two-game sweep of Concordia improves Saint Mary’s record to 9-4 on the season.

BASEBALL

Heilman pitches a gem in Notre Dame’s 3,000th game

By NOAH AMSTADTER

In 1866, two students from Marshalltown, Iowa — Sturgis and Adrian "Cap" Anson — introduced the game of baseball to the students at Notre Dame. For the next 20 years, the sport was played between teams of students on campus. Finally, during the 1881-82 school year, Notre Dame decided to make baseball a varsity sport. 108 years later, the Irish baseball team played its 3,000th baseball game as All-American junior Aaron Heilman pitched a one-hit shutout to lead the Notre Dame past Villanova, 4-0.

"I guess it was only fitting that in the 3,000th game in the history of Notre Dame baseball one of the greatest of them all was able to pitch a gem for us," current head coach Paul Mainieri said. "He was very close to pitching a no-hitter. Had I positioned our center-fielder correctly, he probably would have caught the one bloop single in his back pocket."

Indeed Heilman, ranked as one of the top two college pitchers in America right now, is truly one of the greatest athletes to step on the diamond for the Irish. However in the preceding century, many other great players have donned a cap with the "ND" logo.

A century of greatness

Perhaps one of the most recognizable names in Notre Dame baseball history was none other than its originator, Cap Anson. Anson was one of the original players in the old National Association, the old major league. He went on to become the predominant figure in pre-20th century baseball, finishing a 27-year career as player-manager of the Chicago White Stockings (now known as the Cubbies).