Gold medal Olympian earns hero's welcome

By MARY MULLEN
News Writer

Newspaper welcomed home a local hero Sunday, honoring Elkhart-based Olympic Lindsay Benko. Celebrating the 20-year-old swimmer's 800-meter freestyle relay gold medal, the celebration was to honor the best swimmer that Indiana has ever produced. "It was the type of dream that came true after a lifetime of love," Terry McFadden of WNDU said.

Benko entered the celebration following a video presentation of her gold-medal winning performance.

"This is overwhelming," she said, as red, white and blue balloons filled the air during a concert at the Elkhart Central High School band.

WNDU presented Benko with gifts that included a certificate naming her in the Sports Hall of Fame, an Olympic kit to appear in a sports announcer for one of their Saturday morning shows. WNDU also presented Benko with a framed picture of herself on a Wheatley's box, designed by the studio's art department.

The biggest gift of all, however, was a gold 2000 Cadillac Escalade - a gift from Elkhart car dealer Jim Nagurn. Lieutenant Governor Joe Kernan spoke at the rally, adding he "had butterflies" for her to bring Saint Mary's up to the standards that are currently in place at co-ed institutions.

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By SARAH RYKOWSKI
Saint Mary's News Editor

To the casual observer, Title IX is an advantage to girls' sports. But looking at the numbers, Saint Mary's athletic director Lynn Kachmarik knew her school wasn't in compliance. Kachmarik said, "We aren't in compliance requirement of Title IX but we don't have that, who's looking at us?"

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Wild times in Walsh
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Freezing out the Cardinal
On one of the coldest October days on record, Notre Dame sent Stanford back to California with a 20-14 loss.

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In the wake of Title IX

By MARY MULLEN
News Writer

As a single-sex school trying to fund an athletic department, Saint Mary's finds itself left behind.

Exception 6 to the rule states that the legislation "does not apply to any public institutions of undergraduate higher learning that traditionally from its establishment has had a policy of admitting only students of one sex."

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**INSIDE COLUMN**

**The Unborn Right**

We fall in love, and sometimes might make the mistake of thinking that—sex on one of them. Sex happens at Notre Dame and pregnancies probably do, too. For this reason I was disturbed to see the flood of miniature crosses that overwhelmed the lawn in front of the library. I couldn’t imagine being a student here who aborted a child and then reminded so sharply of this decision on the way to the football game or simply to the library. Imagine 500 copies of your worst exam copied and laid out on the lawn. The shame to know that everyone knows you failed. The shame of not knowing if you did it or didn’t do it. 500 copies to be embarrassed of your grades, simply one copy would do the job. Even if you and God are the only ones to know what your grade was, you are disadvantages and perhaps mortified. On the other hand, after you wouldn’t want to be reminded of that use exam in circulation. This is not the case for those affected by abortion. Year after year, this cemetery will be erected and they will be forced to remember.

Instead of changing my views, this display just simply add to my guilt. Thus showing that the infamous Catholic guilt live worse for me—sex being one of them. If it shocked me, disturbed me and left me feeling ashamed, then imagine what it does to those who do this. Instead of the guilt I carry from the crosses, a difficult decision instead of the cause. Sex is not the same as abortion.

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**This Week at Notre Dame**

**Monday**
- **Sign-up:** Sign-up
- Freshmen Retreat, 8 a.m.
- 103 Hesburgh Library

**Tuesday**
- **Workshop:** “Writing Center Workshop,” 7 p.m.
- O’Shaughnessy
- Dance: Rumba lessons, 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m., $5
- Dance: Rumba lessons, 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.
- Fisher Hall

**Wednesday**
- **Meeting:** Faculty senate meeting, 7 p.m. to 9 p.m., McKenna Hall.
- **Meeting:** Interfaith Christian Night Prayer.

**Thursday**
- **Service:** Basilsica of the Sacred Heart Service, 11:30 a.m. and 5:15 p.m.
- **Event:** “Acoustic Cafe.”

**OUTSIDE THE DOME**

U. of Maryland police investigate third rape

**College Park, Md.** A University of Maryland student reported to University police that a woman was raped in her Graduate Hills apartment on Tulane Drive over the weekend.

The 30-year-old graduate student reported that she was an acquaintance of the suspect. Police first suspected a rape had occurred when they received a call Saturday from a female asking for information she could give to a sexual assault victim.

The caller said the victim was a female friend who knew her attacker and the incident happened in the victim’s apartment. The caller refused to give police the name of the victim.

Police provided the caller with information to give to her friend and tried to convince the caller to give more information on the victim so they could help.

“Perhaps the concern is for the health and well-being of the victim.”

**Don Smith**

**SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY**

Former student sues University

The Syracuse University student who jumped from a rooftop to protest a national rap contest in 1998 is now suing the university for $10 million. Anita Rutnam, who at the time of the jump was a junior social work major, said the university and Pelion Inc., a local mental health corporation, were negligent in handling her suicidal condition before she tried to take her life, according to court documents.

Rutnam is currently living with her parents in Webster, Mass., and is still suffering the injuries she incurred after plunging 90 feet to the Brewster/Boland patio pavement. During her time at SU, Rutnam was admitted to a mental hospital several times, and made several suicide threats and attempts, including one attempt to jump from another campus building. Three days before Rutnam jumped from Boland Hall, she received a letter from the SU Office of Judicial Affairs, suggesting admittance into a day treatment or an inpatient program because she refused to continue her treatment plan.

**LOCAL WEATHER**

5 Day South Bend Forecast

**TODAY'S STAFF**

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**University of Iowa**

Team disagrees on “Sexiest Man”

The People magazine announcement that Iowa senior and safety Brian Hansen will be listed as one of the sexiest men in America got a predictable reaction from the Iowa football team. Hawk-eye players and coaches think it’s pretty funny. “That was kinda the sense I got in the weight room yesterday,” Iowa coach Kirk Ferentz said. “In fact, I didn’t know anything about it, but there was some banter flying around the weight room yesterday.” Hansen, who posed for Esquire this summer to model clothing styles of the Heartland, will be in the Nov. 10 issue of People. Hansen, who is in his fifth year at the university after redshirting his freshman year, is also a UI law student.

Iowa running back Ladell Betts said he was surprised that Hansen got the recognition in People because he doesn’t have a model-type attitude. “He’s reserved,” Betts said. “I think of Hansen as an academic guy, he’s really smart. I don’t know if he’s the sexiest man in America, but somebody must think he is.”

**EVENTS**

The police transported the victim to the sexual assault center of Prince George’s Hospital Center, where she could talk with specially trained personnel.

This is the third reported rape in three weeks in the area, and the fifth one this calendar year, according to police reports.

The first rape this semester, which occurred Sept. 16, was also an acquaintance rape. It happened in University Courtyard Apartments off of Route 191.

A Sept. 23 rape on the 7300 block of Dickinson Avenue did not involve an acquaintance. Charges have been filed in any of these incidents.

Campus groups are responding to the recent rapes with sexual assault awareness programs.

**THE PEOPLE**
Linux CEO: free programs breed progress

By SCOTT BRODFUEHRER

News Writer

Free Internet-based software is changing the way computer companies do business, according to Larry Augustine, president and CEO of VA Linux Systems.

"Software that is freely developed and distributed over the Internet is dominating the market," he said in a lecture Friday.

Augustine, a 1984 Notre Dame graduate, returned to Notre Dame to give the inaugural lecture in the Distinguished Engineering Lecture Series, a set of four lectures to be given throughout the academic year on subjects of broad interest to engineers.

"The economy is dependent on software that is available for free," Augustine said.

Many programmers from different companies collaborate to develop this open source software. As changes and updates are made to the software, source code from new versions is posted to the Internet as often as daily and other programmers are encouraged to add their input or debug the code.

Augustine used the example of the Cisco Systems Enterprise Printing System to describe open-source software. Cisco aimed to have any user be able to print to any of the company's printers worldwide from their own computer. Rather than devoting all of its own software developers and money to creating this system, Cisco decided to use the open source model, so that other companies could collaborate on the software. In the past, companies would compete instead of collaborating. When one software company released a new version, all other companies would rush to release a new version.

They would all re-invent the same concept. Open source requires you to share. There's no incentive to re-invent, the incentive is to build on top of it," Augustine said. Better software is the result of this collaboration, he said.

Since programmers from many companies work together, they are able to release new features in software more often. It takes less time to develop new features because more people are working on it. Even operating systems are built using the open source model. Linux, one such operating system, uses 33 percent of all Internet servers.

This operating system is fundamentally different from operating systems that were built using the traditional software model, like Windows NT. Augustine presented several differences: the fact that Linux is free and Windows NT is not, the fact that Linux's source code can be easily and freely modified and NT's cannot, and the differences between the origins of the operating systems. When Augustine asked the engineers at the lecture to name the creator of Linux, many correctly answered Linux Torvalds. No one could name the creator of Windows NT.

"Who is in charge? In Windows from Microsoft, people are interchangeable. The point is that this is the revenge of the nerds.

"You as individuals have the power. If you leave the company, you take the project with you. You look at open source as development you want to do. You have ownership of the software," Augustine said. There are also significant differences in where money is spent on the open source and traditional model software projects.

"Companies would buy software from another company that would spend a lot of dollars in other functions like marketing and sales. Some money might go to development, which might result in a few new features for the end user. Open source is much more direct. Consumers employ the programs directly," Augustine said.

Problems with the open source model do exist, however. In the traditional software model, an engineer might work on software code for six months, without input, before his supervisors and the customers viewed the software. If they did not like what they saw, the engineer would have to go back to the drawing board. With open source software, there is constant input and real-time collaboration.

"People have to understand that it's not as easy as in theory. There are cultural issues. Engineers are trained to put on blinkers and not communicate," Augustine said. Since open source software is available at all, companies like Augustine's VA Linux must make money from other sources, such as selling Internet servers and providing consulting services. His company is very successful in this important business aspect.

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Knights dedicate new statue

By ERIN LAUFFA
Assistant News Editor

With song and prayer, the Knights of Columbus dedicated a statue Sunday honoring the victims of abortion.

Knights of Columbus chapters across the country have been erecting memorials to aborted children, according to Notre Dame chapter President and Knight Tom Dietz. The memorials have taken different forms, he added, ranging from crucifixes to tombstones.

The statue at Notre Dame, located in the side of the Basilica of the Sacred Heart, features a golden mother and child. The figure is meant to symbolize life.

"People [are] finding it very beautiful," Dietz said. "I think everybody that's seen it has thought it's been in good taste."

The Knights decided to erect the statue this year in honor of the chapter's 90 anniversary.

"The group wanted to have a great celebration," said Dietz, adding that the statue is just part of the group's activities.

The chapter has donated approximately $50,000 over the last two years to numerous charities, including Right to Life and the Wagon of Christ Center, according to Dietz. Money for these donations and the statue came primarily from game-day steak sales the chapter holds.

In addition, members volunteer with organizations such as the Boys and Girls Club. The chapter, which was founded on April 19, 1910, includes about 100 Notre Dame students among its members.

The Faces Of Holy Cross

Old College upperclassmen and staff with Bishop Dan Jenky, C.S.C.

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freestyle, 200-meter backstroke, and the 800-meter freestyle relay, representing the United States and Elkhart, Indiana.

While she was disappointed with her individual performances, she emerged triumphant in the 800 relay. On her leg of the relay she caught up to Australia, putting Jenny Thompson in the position for victory.

After her victory her grand-parents said that Benko looked at her mother in disbelief, saying, "Mommy, I won a gold medal!"

Speaking to the crowd after the ceremony, Benko said the greatest honor was being able to represent her hometown.

"It's wonderful to be a part of this community and represent you guys."

**CAMPAIGN 2000**

Lazio, Clinton trade barbs in NY debate

Associated Press

NEW YORK

Hillary Rodham Clinton, facing Republican Rep. Rick Lazio in the second debate of their Senate campaign, took him to task Sunday for what she says is a violation of their agreement to ban outside money from the race.

"Mrs. Clinton, please, no lectures from the race," Clinton said.

Clinton was careful not to criticize her opponent on that.

"I think this was Mrs. Clinton's choice, and I respect whatever choice that she makes," he said. "This race is about the issues, about who can be most effective for New York."

On the issues, Lazio was asked who he admired on the U.S. Supreme Court with particular attention to the abortion issue. He picked Sandra Day O'Connor, a Republican who supports abortion rights.

For her part, Clinton criticized Republican presidential candidate George W. Bush for saying he admired Antonin Scalia and Clarence Thomas, two anti-abortion judges on the high court. Clinton has said she would never vote to confirm judges who are opposed to abortion rights.

Lazio has refused to make that a litmus test for judicial confirmation votes.

The two disagreed on everything from public financing of campaigns — he opposes, she supports — to a domed stadium for the West Side of Manhattan — she opposes, he supports.

After the debate, Clinton said she felt "very good about it. I got to talk about the issues. I drew the contrasts. I feel like it was a success."

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Alison Morgan, spokeswoman for the state Sex Offenders back in custody: War hero and Ku Klux Klan leader. A dozen Authorities target Indiana gun laws: Department of Corrections. Cers arc working with officials there," said parolee is believed to be out of state, and offi­ back into custody on Sunday. "The ninth loose in the weeks between a state Supreme rights struggle.

Sex offenders back in custody: Eight of nine sex offenders who were turned home in the weeks between a state Supreme Court ruling on parole guidelines and the court's agreement to reconsider were taken back into custody on Sunday. "The ninth parolee is believed to be out of state, and offi­cers are working with officials there," said A man looks at the damage around the Yugoslav parliament building in the center of Belgrade. New Yugoslav President Vojislav Kostunica was swept to power on the crest of an Oct. 5 uprising.

Kostunica negotiates new government

Associated Press

BELGRADE

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INDIANA NEWS BRIEFS

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INDIANA NEWS BRIEFS

Authorities target Indiana gun laws: Federal authorities have targeted Indiana as one of the nation's "source states" for firearms purchased legally and later used in crimes. Police say the ease with which weapons can be bought in Indiana, coupled with demand from neighboring Illinois with its more restrictive gun laws, creates a steady flow of weapons between the two states. Tracees performed on guns taken from the streets of Chicago show that Indiana is one of the city's chief suppliers of handguns, said Scott Thomasson, resident agent.

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"In the meantime, the athletic department has been working with a limited budget. Part of that effort was the development of a cheerleading squad, a new addition to the club sports program that Saint Mary’s offers. Due to overwhelming support for the cheerleading squad, a dance team was also formed. But while both of these programs provide allies for Saint Mary’s women to expand their athletic participation, they do not come without cost.

And they leave Kachmarik still dealing with the same issue, even with low-cost programs.

“We have a cheerleading squad,” Kachmarik said. “But we need money for that. And a week later, we have a dance squad. Do we have the financial resources to do that? We don’t, but I can’t say no.”

The challenge of launching new activities with existing varisty athletics also exists.

“At some time we need to take care of our teams that we have,” Kachmarik said. “Before I support another team, we need to support the ones we have, with coaches, assistant coaches, and facilities. Until we get full-time sports staff we won’t be as competitive. The way things happened before isn’t going to be good enough.”

The presence of the coach
Steps have been made — although small ones — to employ a full-time sports staff. Gretchen Hildebrandt, hired last year to coach women’s swimming, also serves as the assistant athletic director. Suzanne Smith, sports information director and head women’s basketball coach, will be the second full-time coach to work in the department. Smith was hired this fall.

Kachmarik wants to extend that opportunity to the other athletics teams as well, but steps must be incremental. The timing, however, is critical. Saint Mary’s has suffered in their lack of full-time coaches, placing last among member schools for full-time coaching staffs.

The effects of full-time coaches are not lost on the athletes, who enjoy having the connection with their coaches on campus.

Colleen Sullivan, co-captain of women’s basketball, said, “You can tell, she’s very committed to the program. Its great to have her around. She’s always there to work for us. She is always willing to help us with everything.”

The influence of having Smith on campus will hopefully turn around the Belles’ 3-13 record in 1999. Norman, who led her team last season with 10 points and 21 steals per game, already sees a big difference in the team under Smith’s direction.

“It is significantly different this year,” Norman said. “(Smith) is absolutely committed to bringing us to the next level. This is her life right now.”

But she does see how Saint Mary’s is behind other colleges and universities in athletics.

“Definitely we have lacked in a lot of things that conference schools have because of Title IX.” Norman said. “It’s hard to bring in good athletes because you don’t have the same advantages to offer them that other schools have.”

According to Norman, the biggest problem is:

“Saint Mary’s has a lot to offer but (other school’s) budgets are so much bigger. It’s because we don’t have the benefits of Title IX. It’s not all bad but it is very different because all these institutions have so much more than we do.”

While Kachmarik is committed to attending to the needs of the existing teams, it concerns her that Saint Mary’s cannot provide more athletic opportunities for the students.

That worries me because I don’t want to give this message and not be able to give equal opportunities for our women,” Kachmarik said.

Competing away from home
While Saint Mary’s athletic teams continue to improve in the MIAA, improvement can be difficult without facilities of their own. Swimmers currently practice across the street at Rolfs Aquatic Center and golfers are off-location at a golf course in Michigan. The track team cannot compete on campus due to a lack of facilities.

“If we want to compete with other all-women’s institutions across the country, we have to work to do it. It’s about my students getting in here and fighting for what we want. It’s about providing those opportunities from top to bottom. The hardest part about it is that I want it done yesterday.”

While the swim team has the advantage of a full-time coach in Hildebrandt, being forced off-campus to compete and practice takes it toll on the team.

The team has been able to overcome the lack of adequate facilities more easily than some other Saint Mary’s programs, however, by using Notre Dame’s pools.

Notre Dame’s facility does allow some athletic events to come close to home for Saint Mary’s swimmers, serving as the host facility for the MIAA Championships last February. It was the first time in school history a Championship had been hosted by Saint Mary’s — even though the pool is not technically their own facility.

“If we did have our own pool it would be a huge advantage,” Colleen Sullivan, co-captain of the swim team, said. “We would probably have our own pool if we were co-ed. But we are lucky to be able to swim at ND.”

Still, Sullivan feels like an outsider when she goes over to Notre Dame to practice and compete.

“It feels like we’re in someone else’s place,” Sullivan said. “Still, we really appreciate our time in the pool at ND. If we had our own pool we could have more morning practices, but we swim just as much as everybody else, I don’t think we are at much of a disadvantage.”

The fact remains, however, that were it not for Notre Dame’s generosity, Saint Mary’s swimmers would be without a place to practice.

Sullivan considers it to be one of the best facilities they have the opportunity to compete in, because of Notre Dame’s Division I status.

“She definitely stepped up the program,” Sullivan said of Hildebrandt.

“It’s already very different. I was on the team my freshman year, and then abroad my sophomore year, and I saw the difference last year. How well we are doing is a credit to (Hildebrandt). She is there for us all the time. We have totally improved since she got here.”

“The thing that hurt for me in the student athletes can’t compete here because we don’t have the facilities for them,” Kachmarik said.

But even facing adversity, Saint Mary’s makes their improvements with pride and continues to look towards the future.

“All of this (improvement) is only going to enhance the admissions quality of Saint Mary’s to prospective students. It will also increase endowment and alumni opportunities.”
Barak's ultimatum looms over Arafat, Palestinians

The Associated Press

JERUSALEM
Israel on Sunday pressed its ultimatum to Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat an end to violence within a day or the peace talks are over — and what's more, Palestinian commanders could become targets. Israeli's settled down to fast through Yom Kippur wondering whether their Day of Atonement, which ends at sundown Monday, would carry echoes of the same terrifying day 27 years ago when a surprise Arab attack launched a Mideast war. The United States stepped up its efforts to get the sides talking again.

The days of rage that have consumed Israel, the West Bank and the Gaza Strip since Sept. 28 have spread elsewhere: Israel was building up its forces on its northern border with Lebanon, the West Bank and Gaza Strip since Saturday. The United States acted to stop the shooting. Maj. Gen. Uzi Dayan, Barak's national security adviser, told Israeli radio, Deputy Defense Minister Ephraim Sneh said Israel had barely used "1 percent" of its force in dealing with the Palestinians.

The Palestinians said it was up to the Israelis to stop the shooting, and said it would need 24 hours to stop shooting. He said he is following orders to "take no heed of the shooting, and said that if it was the situation that existed before the truce, it would not be hostile actions against the Palestinians.

Barak plans to visit Cairo later this week, for the first time in days, no settlement of Netzarim in Gaza, although it was noncommittal, saying he expected an immediate ceasefire first. Hours later, stones thrown by Palestinian gunmen besieged an Israeli army outpost near the isolated Jewish settlement of Netzahim in Gaza, while Majid's Palestinian security chief, said that he was expected to impose an immediate ceasefire first. Hours later, stones thrown by Palestinian gunmen besieged an Israeli army outpost near the isolated Jewish settlement of Netzahim in Gaza, while Majid's Palestinian security chief, said that he was expected to impose an immediate ceasefire first. Hours later, stones thrown by Palestinian gunmen besieged an Israeli army outpost near the isolated Jewish settlement of Netzahim in Gaza, while Majid's Palestinian security chief, said that he was expected to impose an immediate ceasefire first. 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A leaflet signed by Arafat's Fatah faction appeared in the West Bank warning residents to "take no heed of the ceasefire and to target soldiers and settlers, although it was likely delivered by a small group within Fatah unhappy with Arafat's earlier efforts to negotiate peace talks.

Barak planned another Cabinet meeting as soon as Yom Kippur ended, and was reportedly consulting with hard-liners about establishing an emergency government. Arafat invited peace talks opponents to his Cabinet meeting Sunday night.
Napster restores music's excitement

The record companies realize this, so as their lawyers battle with Napster in California courtrooms, their executives are searching for alternative revenue models. Not surprisingly, what they've come up with follows Napster's lead: digital music exchange over the Internet, but on a pay-per-download or subscription basis.

Another alternative, much more attractive to the major music labels, has the artist releasing a portion of his song to the public for free; then asking for money from anyone who downloads it. If the artist receives enough money, he releases the rest of the song. If not, the public could be stuck with half a song. It's been called the ransom model, and it's certainly intriguing, but I see it as only practical for artists with a die-hard following, whereas entertainment sales are so often a consequence of the impulse buy. How can an unequipped artist expect the loyalty that the ransom model requires from an immature or listless fan base?

Still, the ransom model introduces a revolutionary idea to a staid, rigid industry. It suggests that, even on large scales, the middleman is not indispensable. Think of it. If terminally underpriced popular music hasn't been so singularly overpriced public ... paid artists could sell directly to a term­inally overpriced public ...

Anyway, if the ransom model proves successful, those in charge of the record industry, as we now know it, could be squeezed out. Admittedly, it's not very likely — business­men have wedged themselves between the artists and the public for too long to think they won't succeed at the endeavor once again — but it's a treat to watch the suits squirm as Napster turns the industry on its head.

And, if by chance the corporate high­ups find their stranglehold on the music industry loosened, even slightly, you won't find me broken up over it. Of the boy-band/britney Spears craze I've had enough, popular music hasn't been so unbelievable ...

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Scott Blasak

The Early Essays

I wasn't around last spring for the music swapping craze that clogged the university bandwidth, and, in the end, forced Notre Dame to ban Napster from network computers. I was abroad in London. But when I returned stateside in May, Napster's battle with the Recording Industry Association of America was big news.

After my sister got me up to speed, I didn't really understand how the service worked, but she certainly grasped what it could offer: unlimited free music. I immediately logged on to Napster and was impressed by its extensive and efficient library of songs. I downloaded a song by Nick Drake, a British songwriter I'd read good things about. Twenty minutes later I listened to the song. I liked it. Later that week I bought the CD.

This, you see, is the heart of the controversy. Does Internet music swapping encourage illegal record sales? In my case, Napster provoked a sale that might not have occurred. Napster purports that music swapping "facilitates communication between people interested in music" that will, in the end, strengthen the music industry. They explain music swapping with words like "sample," "preview," or "sharing." The RIAA objects to Napster's diction, choosing more incriminating words such as "piracy," "theft," and "copyright infringement" to describe the rampant digital bootlegging over the past year. A San Francisco judge will have the last say, perhaps very soon, but, whatever the specific decision on Napster, a handful of cloning devices are waiting to scoop up Napster's seven million users should Napster offer them. Legitimate all you want, the Internet will not go away. And, until piracy technology catches up to copyright technology, those who earn a living from copyright enforcement are in danger.

Scott Adams

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Affirmation of life is the spiritual act by which man ceases to live unreflectively and begins to devote himself to life with reverence in order to raise it to its true value."

Albert Schweitzer

philosopher
Monday, October 9, 2000

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Expressing gratitude towards ND community

On behalf of Brionne Clay's friends and all of the women of Welsh Family Hall, I would like to extend our sincere gratitude for the support you have given us during these past two weeks.

Thank you to all of you who sent e-mails, letters and phone calls to Brionne's friends. Know that your kind words and gestures meant much more than you probably know.

Thank you to all in the Notre Dame family who offered a smile or a shoulder to cry on — it's people like you who make this place so special.

Thank you to the Clay family for allowing us to meet your daughter and call her our friend over the past two years. Your strength, character and faith have helped each of us see where Brionne got from.

And lastly, thanks to you. You have always been and will always be our example of strength, courage, faith and loyalty. Thank you for always being there with that one of a kind smile and that heart of gold.

Katie Rak
Welsh Family Hall
October 3, 2000

Crusading against the killing

Friday morning 1,500 crosses stretched from the reflecting pool to the stadium, marking the daily number of lives lost in the United States. Each cross stood for three lives: our country kills 4,500 people every day.

People judge unborn life like anything worthy and justify themselves by saying that a life should only be spared when it is wanted, when it is convenient, when it doesn't infringe on the mother's right to happiness. But the value of life is intrinsic. The value of life does not depend on circumstances. Life is precious; it is one of the greatest goods that exist. Even in the act of taking life, it is one of the greatest evils.

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Take a look at the rows of white crosses that stretched across the stadium. They told the story of the lives that are being taken. Think about the evil that is being done with the consent and approval of so many.

Many students on our campus will spend time上岗the day, but the innumerable people who are fighting for the inno­cents; last year members of the Right to Life club were taunted as they took down crosses from the stadium in the evening. But just as depressing as the people who taunt and jeer at the people who take the crosses from the cemetery is the attitude that the people who read the sign that tells them 4,500 lives will be taken today and do not see a tragedy in those numbers.

The Right to Life club sees the tragedy and fights against it. We fight by prayer, saying rosaries for life. We fight by helping crisis pregnancy centers and protest at the March for Life in Washington, D.C. We fight by making our fellow students aware of the killing — taking place in our country — that has been totally approved, totally accepted killing that goes on every day.

There are many who will ask why we keep fighting. It's "a lost cause," they will say. "Abortion is here to stay and you won't change any­one's mind with a lawn full of white crosses."

Are they right? Are we fighting for a cause that no longer has any hope? If you look at the cemetery and ask if we could ever possibly save those 4,500 lives, you'll say "No, it is hopeless." But if you look at one cross and ask if we might persuade one woman to give her child life instead of death, then there is hope. Now is not the time to despair! Now is the time to fight for life. Now is the time to fight because we can­not afford to let this killing continue.

We will fight for life and we will not stop until the cemetery is empty. We will fight until the killing stops.

Sheila Payne
Cavanaugh Hall
October 8, 2000

Mike Marchand
Questionable Freedoms

Challenging creative campaign tactics

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Welcome (back) to the 80s

Have you ever wondered what it might have been like to be a college student in the 1980s? To take a critical look at your hair or your clothing before you put it on? This fall, the pastel colors and futuristic styles of the 80s are making a comeback, reigniting memories of past fashion trends.

Six months down the road, however, that jacket ended up crumpled up in the back of my closet, hidden underneath a pile of T-shirts. This was a little difference, a decade later, I would again be asking my mother to buy me a new denim jacket for my birthday.

The 80s couldn't resurrect music (except maybe on VH1's "Where Are They Now?" series) has been replaced by the nostalgia wave that is sweeping the world of polyester, platform shoes and shoulder pads. Who knew that we would be turning to the years that brought "Back to the Future." And it's back. Big jewelry — and lots of it — have made a comeback, and sequins adorn the mannequins in the mall.

Remember all of those John Hughes' films featuring Molly Ringwald and her teenage angst? The "Duck Quad" dorm has its own distinct spirit. Built in 1969, much of its character is due to its age. Walsh was named after Father Thomas Walsh, sixth president of Notre Dame.

Walsh was considered a more "luxurious" dorm in its early days. Not only did it have single rooms, but also had built-in closets, suites with private baths, and a recreation area in the basement. According to the 1910 DOME, "Various devices of amusement, such as pool tables and bowling alleys, were placed in the basement. During the winter months the bowling alleys were thronged with students."

Because of these luxuries, Walsh residents were soon labeled as the wealthy students, as their families were required to pay a premium price. Neither the requirement nor the stereotype is true today, but Walsh's residents are known to be W.I.L.D: "Wise In Life's Decisions."

Walsh was also one of the first dorms to begin housing women in 1972. Since that time the women of Walsh have been known for their unity and spirit. Walsh is one of the smallest women's dorms on campus, with only 190 residents, but most say the small size is their greatest advantage. "I love living in a small dorm," said sophomore Liz Caballero. "It's easy to make close friends and you get to know everyone on your floor."

The people of Walsh Hall are what makes this place special," said Sister Patricia Thomas, Liaison for Walsh Hall. "Walsh Hall is known for its unique bay windows and "quint" living accommodations.

Wild women rule in Walsh Hall

As far as trends go, however, the '80s revival may be an exercise in nostalgia rather than a return to the past. Although many of us haven't even blown out the candles on our 21st birthday cake, we're already looking back with nostalgia on the decade in which we started kindergarten. We'll never entirely revert back to the '80s (I mean, really, who would want to settle for Mrs. Paulson when you have a Sony PlayStation?), but I do believe that we are embracing and emulating the culture and ideals of our childhood.

As far as trends go, however, the '80s revival may be a fleeting thing. Next year we could all be rediscovering the world of polyester, platform shoes and Saturday Night Fever. But, for now, enjoy it. Turn up the music and enjoy the past.
Above, he found the end zone on a 7-yard run.

Sophomore tailback Julius Jones (22) was determined to make it into the end zone any way he could — upside down, backwards, head first or all of the above.

Irish leave Cardinal seeing red with 20-14 win

By KATHLEEN O'BRIEN
Associate Sports Editor

Notre Dame rushed in on a Stanford interception, lost fumble and blocked punt to win 20-14 Saturday behind the offense of freshman quarterback Matt LoVecchio and multi-talented David Givens.

LoVecchio, starting for the first time in his young career, engineered Notre Dame's longest scoring drive of the season on the opening series, an 11-play, 91-yard push downfield capped off by a 17-yard touchdown pass to Givens.

"We really set the tone for the offense on that first drive," LoVecchio said. "All 11 guys really hung together and stuck it out."

LoVecchio kicked the offense off with an 11-yard pass to tight end Dan Dame's longest scoring drive of the season. LoVecchio and multi-talented David Givens.

The Irish (3-2) won despite gaining only 266 yards total offense, compared to 384 by the Cardinal (2-3). The turnover differential determined the victor, as Stanford struggled to hang onto the pigskin.

"They're a pretty solid defense, but at the same time, we made a lot of mistakes. We should have put more points on the board," said DeRonnie Pitts, Cardinal wide receiver.

"That meant we were two touchdowns down instead of just one going into the locker room," Willingham said. "That changed the complexion of how we had to approach things in the second half." After being down 13-0 at half time, Stanford got onto the board with a 13-yard pass from Lewis to Pitts. The touchdown reception came on the heels of a 71-yard run by Brian Allen.

But Stanford turned the ball over again in the third quarter when Irish linebacker Tyres Harrison tipped a Lewis pass into the hands of Notre Dame cornerback Brock Williams.

Jones scrambled into the end zone three plays later, and Setta hit the point after attempt to put the Irish up 20-7.

Notre Dame did not turn the ball over once.

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Stanford quarterback Chris Lewis fumbled a snap midway through the quarter, and Irish defensive lineman Anthony Weaver recovered at the Notre Dame 16.

"They're a pretty solid defense, but at the same time, we made a lot of mistakes," Stanford wide receiver DeRonnie Pitts said. "We beat ourselves."

The Cardinal got another chance to score late in the first half when Notre Dame kicker Nick Setta missed a 38-yard field goal. But the Irish defense held the Cardinal on three straight plays, and Givens broke through to block Mike Biselli's punt.

"I think they made a mistake in coverage," Givens said. "Special teams is one of those things that can win or lose a game."

Following the blocked punt, the Irish took over on the Cardinal 10-yard line with 39 seconds to go in the second period, and LoVecchio hit Givens with an 8-yard touchdown pass 12 seconds later. Givens, a junior, became the first Notre Dame wide receiver to make two touchdown catches in a game since Derrick Mayes in the 1996 Orange Bowl, which was the third scoring reception of his career.

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Turnover-prone a year ago when they gave the ball up 30 times, the Irish have committed just three turnovers in their first five games.

Stanford missed an opportunity in the fourth quarter when Biselli shanked a 29-yard field goal. The Cardinal wrapped up the scoring with 1:07 to play, Lewis, who went 19-of-31 for 242 yards on the day, threw a 14-yard touchdown pass to Darin Naatjes.

Stanford attempted an onside kick but Notre Dame tight end Jakari Holloway recovered at the Stanford 45.

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LoVecchio, Givens set offensive tone with score on opening drive

Stanford head coach Tyrone Willingham said.

As associate sports editor, I covered football for the Observer in 2000. This article is a great example of how we covered Notre Dame football games back then, focusing on key moments, players and the overall gameplan. The article is a good read for anyone interested in understanding the dynamics of football and how the game has evolved over the years.
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INSIGHT

Javin Hunter (21) tries to keep his run going despite the tackle of a Stanford defender. Hunter carried the ball from scrimmage for the first time this season, breaking downfield for 23 yards.

Adequate Irish offense still needs work

The jokes kept coming.

After practice on Thursday, Bob Davie sounded more like Jerry Seinfeld than Jerry Gaustaf.

The quips began after a few members of the local media commented on the cold, windy weather and chance of snow for Saturday’s game.

“All you guys are worried about is if there’s going to be hot chocolate in that press box,” Davie replied.

Well, not exactly Seinfeld. Maybe Carrot Top?

The act continued when an MSBNBC reporter asked Davie if there was any significance in the 3-0 record during his tenure after bye weeks, the 17-2 record in the 1990s after bye weeks. The 44-9-3 overall record in Notre Dame history in games following an off week.

“The only stat I’m worried about is our record in the Olympics thing take everyone out of our library,” Davie said.

“Those guys are scooping you on that decision was announced. It wasn’t.

“We made the decision after our first open date,” Davie said.

“After our bye week,” Davie clarified.

It was not as easy as it was a few years ago, lining up with two backs (and running), Davie said. “But we can do consistently is to keep those line-backers from running through, keep them from bringing the strong safety and hitting us in the backfield.

“There is no one jumping up and down right now of where we are offensively. With that kind of field position and the kind of opportunities we had, that could have been a 37 or 38-point game easily.”


But as Davie likes to say, “It is what it is.”

Translation: The Irish won the game and kept their slim BCS bowl hopes alive.

At Thursday’s practice, after getting “paralyzed” with the statistics regarding the performance after bye weeks, Davie managed to respond.

“The only stat I’m worried about is being 1-0 after our first open date,” Davie said.


The opinions expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

Tim Casey
Assistant Sports Editor

report card

B+

quarterback(s): LoVecchio was at his best on the play’s opening drive. He looked like a veteran from the start, but faltered later on, getting sacked three times.

B+

running back(s): Fisher and Givens stepped up as Jones battled an injury. Jones still managed an acrobatic touchdown and a 24-yard reception.

B

receivers: Notre Dame finally found its passing game. Givens burst through with two TD receptions. O’Leary, and Johnson made big plays.

C+

offensive line: It let Stanford’s defense through to sack LoVecchio three times. However, part of the problem may have been nerves from the freshmen.

B

defensive line: Stanford got off 294 yards of total offense, too many for an unranked team. Weaver did pick up the fumble by Lewis.

B+

linebackers: Davisman (team-high 7 tackles) and Humanities tackles continued their solid play. Pressured Lewis all day and contained the run.

B

defensive backs: Williams’ return has sparked the defense. He had a sack, interception and caught Allen early in the third quarter, preventing a touchdown. Walton, Israel and Driver all played well.

A-

special teams: Again a booster for the Irish. Givens’ blocked punt was huge, and Jones had a 50-yd. kickoff return. Setta missed a PAT and FG.

B+

coaching: The “handcuffs” were taken off the offense but the Irish still managed only 266 yards. LoVecchio was a good choice to lead the Irish.

3.26

overall: Without Battle, a 3-2 record thus far is good. The remainder of the schedule is favorable. But the offense needs to improve for a major bowl berth.

adding up the numbers

number of Notre Dame turnovers this season

3

number of Notre Dame turnovers in 1999

30

number of yards on opening touchdown drive

91

number of positions played by Givens — receiver, running back and special teams

3

number of starting quarterbacks for Irish this season

3

number of passing yards by Matt LoVecchio

100

number of victories still needed to qualify for a BCS bowl

7

number of consecutive Notre Dame wins in October

10
two plays later to catch an 8-yard touchdown pass from quarterback Matt LoVecchio.

Givens stepped up. Freshman quarterback Matt LoVecchio threw a 17-yard pass directly into the hands of the awaiting Givens to complete the longest Notre Dame scoring drive of the season.

But that wasn't the play for which most fans will remember Givens. With 58 seconds left in the first half, Stanford lined up in front of kicker Mike Biselli to punt. Givens was lined up above Stanford center Zack Quaccia. "I watched how the center reacts after he snaps," Givens said. "I saw the center step to the right and run full speed at the kicking point."

He blocked the punt and recovered the ball at the Stanford 10-yard line, setting up for another Notre Dame touchdown.

"(The blocked punt) was a pretty easy decision," Dave said. "We spent a lot of time on punt blocks (at practices this week)."

The versatile Givens topped off the Notre Dame scoring drive with an 8-yard touchdown reception from LoVecchio following the blocked punt. With that reception, Givens became the first Irish wide receiver with two touchdown receptions in the same game since Derrick Mayes in the 1996 Orange Bowl.

At the half, Givens led the offense in receiving with three receptions for 34 yards, two of which were touchdown receptions.

"I think that it just worked out that way today," LoVecchio said. "All David's attitude is he wants to help the team some way somehow. He could be a great tailback, linebacker or safety."

In the second half Givens had two more carries for an additional four rushing yards. He finished the game with 57 total offensive yards, two touchdown receptions, and a blocked punt.

"I think that it just worked out that way today," LoVecchio said of Givens. "David Givens had a great game. He had that blocked punt."

But Givens, although happy with his performance, saw the game as an incentive to continue improving his play.

"I think I could have run the ball a little better at times," Givens said. "There is always room to improve on some little things."

A valuable asset to the Notre Dame offense on Saturday, Givens saw himself only as a part of the total team effort.

"There was an idea that we would open up our offense," he said. "Not necessarily me, but our receivers."

Givens was the first player out of the tunnels on Saturday and that may be his good luck charm. "Now it's superstition," he said. "When I'm the first player out of the tunnel(s) I've had my best games."
The Irish played their fourth straight game decided by a touchdown or less. Special teams and turnovers were again deciding factors, as David Givens blocked a punt, Anthony Weaver recovered a fumble and Brock Williams intercepted a pass. The offense started off strong behind freshman Matt LoVecchio, but faltered late in the game. The defense allowed Stanford to gain 384 yards of total offense. It was good enough for a win, one that left Cardinal quarterback Chris Lewis singing the Notre Dame fight song. "I was humming it to myself on the sideline," Lewis said.

Four Notre Dame defenders team together to tackle Stanford quarterback Chris Lewis. Senior free safety Tony Driver (25) and senior linebacker Anthony Denman (39) are among those getting in on the action.

**QUARTERBACK: TAKE THREE**

Senior cornerback Brock Williams (above) intercepted a pass by Stanford quarterback Chris Lewis, setting up a Julius Jones touchdown.

Freshman quarterback Matt LoVecchio (10) raises his helmet in victory to the Notre Dame student section, following the first win of his career as a starter. He was 10-of-18 passing in the game for 100 yards, including two touchdowns, and rushed 13 times for 36 yards.
Parody provides a fresh and funny take on the Bard

By LAURA BOST
Scene Writer

Notre Dame Film Television and Theatre opened its 2000-2001mainstage season on Oct. 4 with playwright Ann MacDonald's "Goodnight Desdemona (Good Morning Juliet)." The performance shook Washington Hall with laughter as a witty script combined Shakespearean drama with modern slapstick comedy. William Shakespeare's "Othello" and "Romeo and Juliet" were transformed into parodies addressing everything from women's rights to homo- sexuality. From a cross-dressing Romeo and Juliet in a bloodthirsty Desdemona, this reflection on Shakespeare was a far cry from any interpretation raised in an English lecture.

The play weaves the story of a disgruntled assistant professor, Constance Ledbelly, on her quest to prove "Othello" and "Romeo and Juliet" were originally comedies disrupted by unfortunate endings. Constance is transported by an act of alchemy into the Shakespearean plays. Astonished by her sudden entrance into the plays, Constance declares students had either "spiked her Coors Light" or she was definitely "on an acid trip."

She immerses herself in the script revealing a Desdemona obsessed with war and a Romeo and Juliet who live in disgust of one another. Constance succeeds in preventing Romeo and Juliet's suicide and Othello's murder of Desdemona.

The play was full of skilled sword fights, designed by Tony Lawion, and comic bedroom scenes between dynamic characters. Cast member Liz Cenova said, "The cast really had intense energy and bonded working on the swordplay."

The elaborate costuming heightened the appeal of these well-rehearsed scenes designed by Richard Donnelly. Creative footwear and decorative hats complemented the sparkling green, gold and silver tights and ornamented shirts. Donnelly's design of Juliet's lacy off-white dressing gown and Desdemona's striking black and red dress enhanced the characters' stage presence. "The costuming really empowered me as an actress," said Cenova.

Professor Wendy Aarons of the Notre Dame Theatre Department made her directorial debut with a dynamic cast of five actors. Cenova stated, "Wendy provided a great balance between directing and allowing us artistic freedom." In preparation for these performances, the dedicated cast rehearsed over 30 hours a week. These five versatile actors portrayed 16 characters throughout the play. Saint Mary's junior, Liz Cenova, portrayed Desdemona as a strong, sassy and sexy woman whose presence dominated the stage. Cenova's other roles included Ramona and Mercutio. Theatre major Kathy Koch, a Welsh Hall senior, honored the audience with her portrayal of Constance's development from a passive professor to Juliet's liberated lesbian lover. Katie Stee, a senior theatre major, gave an impressive performance of a suicidal, sex-crazed Juliet.

Mark Scheibmeir, a Stanford Hall freshman, delivered a riveting performance of Othello and a hysterical presentation of Juliet's well-endowed nurse. He also undertook the role of Tybalt and Claude Night. Senior theater major JJ Area, portrayed Juliet's liberated lesbian lover. The audience doubled over in laughter, with his depiction of a whining, cross-dressing Romeo. Area also played an embittered lago and the ghost. This talented cast had intense energy on the stage and articulately delivered their lines throughout the performance.

They even managed to stay in perfect character despite the roar of the audience's laughter. The play also included the melodious singing efforts of Liz Cenova and Katie Stee in a humorous rendition of Brubeck's "Kissing You" from Leonardo DiCaprio and Clare Danes's movie, "Romeo and Juliet." All cast members joined in song and entertaining Latin dance at the finale of the play.

The attractive setting, designed by Bruce Auerbach, was blanked with two opposing sets of off-white stairs joined by an ivy-wrapped balcony. Kevin Dreyer designed the pyrotechnics and lighting for the play. Todd Borough designed the eerie voice of the ghost and other sound effects.

After watching this exceptional performance, audiences went home with a hearty laugh and a radical new perspective of the epic Shakespearean tragedies.

Kathy Koch (Constance Ledbelly) nervously awaits her fate as Mark Scheibmeir (Othello) puts her in a tight situation.

Things to do this week

Monday
- "Trust," directed by Hal Hartley, $2 admission, Annenburg Auditorium, The Suite Museum, 7 p.m.

Tuesday
- Writing Center Workshop, 119 O'Shaughnessy Hall, 7 p.m.
- Rumba Lessons, $4 per lesson or $30 per semester, 301 Rockne Building, 7 p.m.
- Maria Stablein, piano concert, Annenburg Auditorium, The Suite Museum, 2 p.m.

Wednesday
- Acoustic Cafe, LaFortune Student Center, 9 p.m.

Thursday
- "Things to do this week"

Have a fun and safe fall break!
**Rude Awakening for Irish**

The Irish didn’t paint a masterpiece Saturday, but they’re getting closer.

"We’re still a work in progress," said coach Bob Davie after Notre Dame’s 28-14 loss to Stanford.

Davie added: "The one thing we didn’t do well was force them to turn it over."

**Men’s Swimming**

Irish win 9 of 11 events at Notre Dame Relays

By COLLEEN McARTHUR

Sports Writer

The men’s swim team is hoping that their dominating effort at last Friday’s Notre Dame Relays that saw them win 9 of 11 events to place first in the meet for the rest of the season. The team also saw a record-breaking 400-yard medley relay team of Brian Skorney, Dan Stiller, Byrn Ren and Matt Gransew set a meet record of 3:33.27 in the event.

The Notre Dame Relays, the first meet of the season, were served as an opportunity for the 1999-2000 Big East Champion men’s swimmers when gaussian adjustments need to be made before the meet’s first dual meet against Big East rival Virginia Tech on Oct. 19. The meet also served as an opportunity for the 12 Irish swimmers to experience their first collegiate meet.

"This was a good meet to gauge where we are fitness-wise," said senior swimmer Grinnell Burrell. "It was a great meet for us to all come together and get warmed up for the rest of the season. This was also a good opportunity for the freshmen to get used to the setting of a collegiate meet."

Burrell, who was part of the first-place 400-yard medley team, 200-yard freestyle and 400-yard breaststroke relays said the team was encouraged with last Friday’s effort, especially since the team lost key seniors like Ryan Fitzpatrick to graduation.

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Yankees take series behind strong relief

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OAKLAND, Calif. — Andy Pettitte really didn't think he would need salvation on Saturday.

The New York Yankees' 19-game winner felt strong despite pitching on three days' rest. He said his control was outstanding and that he made most of the pitches he wanted to make.

Trouble was, the Oakland Athletics kept hitting them.

It took 5 1-3 innings of outstanding scoreless relief pitching for the Yankees to survive their division series and move on to face Seattle in the AL Championship Series.

"I felt great. I felt like I was making a lot of good pitches," Pettitte said. "I thought I was going to cruise out of there, but it didn't happen. It turned out I was glad to get out of there because [the Athletics] wore me out."

"I thought I was pretty sharp. But the bullpen saved me."

It was just over a month ago when George Steinbrenner, tired of his bullpen's second-half struggles, told reliever Jeff Nelson in particular — and the Yankees' entire bullpen in general — to "put up or shut up."

Consider the challenge met.

Four relievers — including a cameo by Game 3 starter Orlando Hernandez — had the Athletics' high-powered offense off the hook three times and no runs after Pettitte was chased.

Both Mike Stanton and Nelson — two critical cogs in New York's entire bullpen in general — to "put up or shut up."

"I don't think the bullpen was ever out of line," Stanton said. "I don't know where all this talk came from about Joe losing confidence in us. I don't think Joe has ever lost confidence in us."

"In a Game 5, there are no roles," Nelson said. "Me and Mike, we've got to be ready to come out in any inning. You've got to pull out all the stops in a situation like this."

Petitte, who pitched masterfully in beating the A's in Game 2, got through just 3 2-3 innings Sunday while pitching on three days' rest. The 19-game winner was shaky in every inning, allowing 10 hits and five runs while walking two.

But New York manager Joe Torre was reluctant to go to the pen because of its struggles in the season's second half, particularly during a two-week stretch in August when the Yankees' late-season slide began.

In fact, except for three innings late in Oakland's 11-1 victory in Game 4, Torre had used just six pitchers — starters Roger Clemens, Pettitte and Hernandez along with relievers Stanton, Nelson and closer Mariano Rivera — in the entire series.

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Torre stuck with Pettitte until the fourth inning, when the A's scored two runs. The call came in for Stanton.

After Stanton pitched out of the jam, he retired the side in order in the fifth and got two outs in the sixth before being lifted for Nelson, who struck out Omedo Saenz to end the inning.

Nelson pitched the seventh before Hernandez, who threw 130 pitches in his Game 3 start Friday, struck out Ben Grieve to start the eighth but gave up a double to Matt Stairs.

Enter Rivera, the Yankees' feared closer who has struggled at times this year. He struck out Terrence Long and then forced three easy fly balls and a foul pop by Eric Chavez that ended it.

"The bullpen just came through in every situation that we needed them," Bernie Williams said. "They've been criticized so much, so it was great to see them do what they did tonight."
Saint Mary's drops tough match to Kalamazoo, 16-0

By SARAH RYKOWSKI
Sports Writer

The Belles soccer team took a 16-0 reassuring Saturday from Kalamazoo. But even tougher to stomach for the Belles was Kalamazoo's starting lineup, which played the entire game despite a decisive score of 6-0 at the half.

The game raises the question of whether a winning team should run up the score. According to Jason Milligan, head coach, the application of the tactic depends on the coach.

"When you starters, a lot of coaches have different philosophies," Milligan said. "Some coaches believe in second and third."

The winner after the double round-robin play in the MIAA receives a bye to the NCAA Division III tournament. If two teams have the same number of points at the end of round-robin play, the tie-breaker is goal differential. Thus, the coaches have an incentive to leave their reserves in.

"DePauw probably could have scored more goals on us," Milligan said of the 7-0 loss earlier in the season. "They moved their players around, though. It's a different philosophy."

The Belles were out-shot 36-1. Emily Durham was in goal for the Hornets, while Laura Metzger was in goal for the Belles.

"We did not play well," Milligan said. "But you put things behind you and move on.

"Molly Danner led the Hornets with three goals and two assists. Lydia Raburn also had two goals and two assists, while Liza Brereton had two goals. Jessica Geiger, Heather White, Kim Hartman, Katie Tripi and Joce Taylor all had goals." Lesley Williams, Jessica Mueller, Megan Holmies, and Heather Pedersen all had assists for the Hornets.

The Belles fall to 2-6-1 and 2-5-1 overall entering Tuesday's game against Olivet.

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A&M's Hubbel and Skute 6-2. Both men's wins helped give the Irish a 28-24 advantage.

"We played well throughout the entire tournament," said sophomore Katie Cunha. "It was really fun, it was one of the best experiences that I have had in college tennis."

The tournament is set up with four brackets of four teams. The teams are matched up against those in their bracket and the top two advance on to the placing tournament. Each match is composed of men's and women's doubles, men's and women's singles, and mixed doubles. The scores from each game are then added up to determine the overall winner.

"With one of the toughest draws in the tournament Notre Dame was placed in the bracket with Stanford, Tulsa, and Texas A&M. The Irish opened up with a challenging match against Texas A&M, who won the tournament last year. In spite of beginning jitters Cunha and Guy played well in their first doubles match and won 6-2.

"It was a little intimidating about these team," said Cunha. "We don't know much about these teams," said Cunha, "we are just going to go out and play some ball."
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The Pyro offense, led by quarterback Lynn Olzowy, who scored the final three points in the first half. Olzowy, a junior, continued her solid performance with two sacks.

Despite their defensive efforts, the Pyros could not stop the passing game of the Chaos. Olzowy, a junior, found Melissa Marcotte in the endzone in the first half, and then Megan Land and Reimer threw in the second half. Marcotte further extended the Chaos lead when she threw for the extra point after the second touchdown. PE was not discouraged by this loss, and faced their last few regular season games with confidence. "We're just going to put this game behind us," McCullough said.

"I'm so happy for Bobby Jones," Al Leiter said. "I'm so proud of him. To go out and pitch the best game of his life and dismiss all the critics who thought this was a bad decision. He went out and nailed it.

Shen Stadium was still filled with electricity from Saturday's 3-1 win in 13 innings. Fans chanted "Randy Ayban's name as he stretched before the game. About 2 hours after his homer had brought the Mets one win away from the NLC.

That was New York's fifth straight postseason appearance in the last at-bat, including a 5-4, 10-inning victory in Game 2 at San Francisco.

Mets fans didn't need to wait nearly as long this game. Jones struck out Bonds on a high fastball to end the first. He got an out with confidence from a crowd ready for another celebration.

Robin Ventura gave them much more to cheer about in the bottom half. After Mark Gardner walked Mike Piazza with two outs, Ventura turned on a first-pitch fastball and hit it off the scoreboard in right field for just his second hit in the majors, had their magical postseason run — three with the Giants and two with the Giants, clinching the NL West — played out. Two days off before opening the NLCS in St. Louis on Wednesday. The Mets were 6-3 against the Cardinals this season.

"It's not going to be easy," Jones said. "They're a great team and play great baseball. We just have to go out and play the best we can.

The Giants (97-65), who finished with the best record in the majors, had their magical season end with a whimper, in part because Barry Bonds was postseason bust again. Bonds dropped to 0.5 in playoff series — three with the Giants and two with the Pirates, and was also eliminated the Giants with a 4-1 series clincher. One of two Bobby Joneses on the mound, Jones在现场的punishment as the Mets' 1.65 ERA player and a .196 batting average for the series, hitting a fly ball to the Tigers for his own pitching record.

Jones allowed 1 hit in 4-1 series clincher

Associated Press

NEW YORK — Bobby J. Jones made a name for himself and carved out a place in postseason lore. Known as much for being one of two Bobby Joneses on the Mets' and as for his own pitching, Jones threw the first complete game one-hitter in postseason history as the Pyros could not score. Jones allowed 1 hit in 4-1 game, Pangborn knew that the playoffs were not out of reach. "We were trying to play our best and trying to get a win," said Pangborn co-captain Erin Nasrallah. She remained positive about their achievements. "It was our strongest defensive effort this year.

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"They've been solid all year, and we've had great field position because of them." The PE defense was also strong. The squad had key plays from senior captain Gina Locklar and classmate Brita McCullough. McCullough was pleased with her team's play, "Cavanaugh's a good team," said McCullough. "I think we played well tonight.

Despite their defensive efforts, the Pyros could not stop the passing game of the Chaos. Olzowy, a junior, found Melissa Marcotte in the endzone in the first half, and then Megan Land and Reimer there in the second half. Marcotte further extended the Chaos lead when she threw for the extra point after the second touchdown. PE was not discouraged by this loss, and faced their last few regular season games with confidence. "We're just going to put this game behind us," McCullough said.

Lewis 13, Pangborn 0

The Lewis Hall football team successfully kept their post-season hopes alive as they shutout the women of Pangborn last Thursday night. The win put the Chicks up 2-3 in the season, edging them closer to clinching a berth in the playoffs.

Lewis' strategy for the night was simple: "Shut them down on defense and execute on offense," said captain Catherine Harcourt.

"Going into the game we were really confident," Harcourt added. "We knew we had to win." After a scoreless first half, an interception by Harcourt gave the Chicks offense possession at the Pangborn 30-yard line. Two plays later, freshman quarterback, Erin Nasrallah, threw a touchdown pass to put her team up by 6 points. Nasrallah added to their lead late in the game with a 45 yard run off of a quarterback draw. Of Nasrallah's strong performance, Harcourt praised. "She's got a lot of potential.

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"I'll keep trying," Bonds said. After a few minutes, a leap from the 30-yard line, Bonds settled into the clubhouse. "I'll keep trying."
Hulick, freshmen step up in first collegiate competition

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Freshman Danielle Hulick stood on the blocks at Rolfs Aquatic Center on Friday night at her first collegiate meet, and was admittedly a little bit nervous. The only freshman on a relay comprised of star-studded returning swimmers, she knew she had some big swimming to do. Part of the lineup in the 500-yard freestyle relay that was assigned swimming to swimmers, the only meet records not held by Notre Dame women at the Notre Dame Relays, Hulick knew there was a task at hand. And that’s enough to make anyone nervous. "I always get nervous before I swim," the Gatesburg, Illinois native said. "I was nervous Friday. But I’m always nervous, so that isn’t really anything different for me."

The crowd might not have known the freshman was unsure of herself up to the blocks, as she helped the team of juniors Brooke Davie, Allison McCarthy, Lori Schulte, and senior Tiffany O'Brien to a first place finish and a new meet record. "It showed us that we can train in our hearts out," said senior Carrie Nixon. "Everyone did a really hard week of training — and to get the jitters out for the meet."

The freshmen and returning members of the 2000 Big East Championship women’s team began to fill the holes left by the graduating seniors Friday, finishing first in 12 of 13 events and claiming one of two places. "The freshmen have been training their hearts out," said co-captain Carrie Nixon. "They stepped up a lot and proved to themselves that their hard work is paying off. As our first meet of the season, the meet acts as a measuring stick for the freshmen — and the team — to monitor how effective their preseason training has been. With two weeks off before their dual-season begins, regardless of solid performances at the relays, the team knows they have "lots of work ahead," said co-captain Carrie Nixon.

Sophomore Amy Deger swims the third leg for the Irish in the 400-yard butterfly relay, which the Irish won in 3:56.20, almost 20 seconds ahead of the second-place Redbirds of Illinois State University.

By JANEL MILLER
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Looking to fill some big shoes, the Saint Mary’s swim team entered Friday’s Notre Dame relays with a delicate mix of experience and youth. But no one, including head coach Gretchen Hildebrandt, expected those shoes to be filled by the feet of the freshmen.

Newcomers Elizabeth Doro and Megan Ramsey got the team off to a successful start in the 200-yard freestyle relay and set the pace for the freshmen in the meet, helping returns seniors Colin Sullivan and sophomore Megan Ramsey to a third-place finish in the 200-yard freestyle relay in one minute, 45.47 seconds. "They’re in a really good groove. They’re in a really good groove. They’ve been practicing their hard work is paying off."

As the first meet in the season, this meet lets us see where we’re at training-wise. There’s no pressure...but a lot of excitement for the sophomores and juniors to step up and fill the holes, too."

But while work lives ahead, Friday’s meet proved that the incoming freshmen are an integral part of the 2000 squad.

"They’re going to be really important," co-captain Kristen Van Saun said. "Everyone did a really good job. We came off a really hard week of training — we swam that morning and practiced for two hours before the meet. Considering all that, we did pretty well."

The Irish swimmers face off against the University of Miami on Oct. 27.

Sophomores Lauren Smith, Lane Herrington, and Meg Mikluch.

According to Hildebrandt this year’s team — while young — has more depth than in recent years and it showed by their performances this weekend. This depth is what Hildebrandt is looking for to fill the gaps left in both distance and sprint events. "It’s difficult to not have returners but I see people that will step up to the challenge and make adjustments for the well-being of the team," Hildebrandt commented.

Not one of the 13 relay teams the Belles entered Friday night consisted entirely of returning swimmers. Knowing how the returning women would react in the given situation, Hildebrandt used the meet’s atmosphere and competition as her way of testing the underclassmen.

"I knew they were fast by their times at practice but after seeing their performances in a meet situation it only reinforced my goals for each of them and the team," said Hildebrandt.

The freshmen delivered, bringing home a fifth-place finish for the Belles, with key performances from the hybrid teams of returners and newcomers. Solid finishes came from the 400-yard medley relay team of Schulte, J. Smith, Julie McGranahan and Megan Ramsey in 4:30.23, good enough for a fifth place finish. The combination of Herrington, McGranahan, Doro and Chloe Leshan in the 400 freestyle swim to another fifth place finish to end the meet.

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Belles splash into season with veterans, newcomers

Freshman Mary Beiler swims the third leg for the Belles in the 400-yard butterfly relay. Saint Mary’s took fifth in the event.

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Irish fall 3-1 at Providence despite Richards’ first goal

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In a game with crucial conference implications, the Irish men’s soccer team fell 3-1 to the Friars of Providence Sunday afternoon in Rhode Island. The loss drops the Irish to 4-6-1 overall and 1-5-0 in the Big East, 11th in the conference. With five of the remaining games on the Big East schedule against conference opponents, the Irish must now win all of these games — including Saturday night’s home game against No. 1 St. John’s — to keep hopes of advancing to the postseason tournament alive.

“We’ve got five Big East games left. If we win four of them, I’d say we’re in,” said Irish head coach Chris Apple Sunday evening. “If we win three of them and tie one, there’s an outside shot. I’m not going to worry about what the other teams are doing. We’re still in control of our destiny.”

The Friars got out early against the Irish. At 19:07 into the game, Friars forward Kevin Jones got the ball at about 18 yards out, dribbled past an Irish defender, and lofted the ball past Irish goalkeeper Greg Cobbe into the net.

The Irish were able to penetrate the Irish defense, Apple inserted junior B.J. Cotter into the game to shut Jones down. According to Apple, Cotter did so admirably.

“B.J. Cotter came off the bench and did a great job against one of the best forwards in the conference in Kevin Jones,” said Apple. “B.J. just shut him down. He did a really good job with him.”

At the 33:31 mark, the Irish ran a series of six passes down the field which culminated with forwards Erich Braun and Chad Riley finding fellow forward Kevin Richards open at the top of the box. Richards touched the ball past the defender before ripping the ball into the net to tie the game at one.

The freshman from Bermuda earned a rare start after a strong week of practice. Apple felt that Richards’ speed and shot-making ability would give the Irish an advantage against the Friars.

“All week he’d been doing a great job in training,” said Apple. “He’s a great one-on-one player.”

Apple was satisfied with his decision to start the youngster. “He played really well. He played a winger position,” he said. “He was causing them all kinds of problems, getting in behind their defense, creating chances for other people. During the second half he got injured. That hurt our attack.”

The Irish controlled the ball for the remainder of the first half, creating quality chances. On one play, freshman Justin Detter received a pass from Braun only to miss wide. The Irish continued to control play shorty into the second half until Thomas Blesso — who had assisted on the first Providence goal — found Derek Cobbe cutting across the middle. While Tait was expecting Cobbe to take the shot head-on, Cobbe instead lofted a chip-shot between Tait’s head and the crossbar, putting the Friars up 2-1.

The goal caught Tait off-balance at a critical moment. “It wasn’t a good goal. The kid takes the shot 19 times, Greg saves nine out of 10,” said Apple.

Providence added to their lead at 79:19, when Andrew Bussman cut across the middle before passing off to a waiting Blesso, who volleyed the ball into the goal on what appeared to be a bicycle-kick. Apple felt that this goal also could have been prevented.

“It was kind of a counter-attack down the right side,” said Apple. “He fell backwards and barely hit it off of his toe, falling backwards. It looked a little bit like a bicycle kick. Greg lost his footing and the ball just kind of trickled in across the goal line. It was really a weak goal.”

While the Irish played a solid first half, the team appeared to lose composure after the Friars went up 2-1. “That second goal that they had, that really hurt us,” said Apple. “Our composure was gone after that. We began to play a bit erratically.”

With the importance of coming out of Rhode Island with at least a tie weighing on the players, the team lost focus on their game plan and individuals began to try to do the game up on their own.

“It seemed like everybody wanted to step up and do it,” said Apple. “Everybody wanted to be the guy to get it done.”

After a week in which the team will focus on regaining its confidence, the Irish host top-5 ranked St. John’s on Saturday at Alumni Field.

Freshman Kevin Richards attacks the ball during Notre Dame’s loss to Pittsburgh on Sept. 29. Richards scored his first career goal Sunday at Providence.
Sophomore Jen Handey (above left) placed 20th overall to lead the open Jen Yee. Welsh completed game, Welsh ran a hook and Thursday night. ladder for a first down. Whirlwinds of Welsh Family CARPENTER BETH HOEHN and SUSIE A slick field and a misty setting up the second Welsh series, Alex Callan ran the row and Howard was forced an early 8-0 lead. On the following play, Jen Welsh applied relentless defensive pressure and sacked Howard quarterback Jill Veselik's pass at the Welsh 5-yard-line. Freshman Todd Mobley and junior Sean Czernik took 47th and 55th, respectively. "We had some guys really take some major steps today," Watson said. "The Irish should move up in the rankings following their strong race Friday." The women, shooting for a fifth or sixth place finish, were slightly disappointed with their seventh place standing. No. 1 Stanford won the women's side as well, followed by No. 13 Michigan, No. 15 Arizona, No. 24 Duke, Northwestern, No. 5 N.C. State and Notre Dame. "Our goal was to be in the top five or six, and we didn't match that," Notre Dame women's cross country coach Tim Connolly said. "Fortunately, we have another shot next week [at pre-nationals]." Freshman Jen Handey led the Irish with her 20th place finish. The next Notre Dame runner didn't cross the finish line until junior Hillary Burn took 40th. Freshman Megan Johnson wound up 44th, freshmen Rachel Endress placed 64th and sophomore Jennifer Fiebuch placed 7th. "Considering that we had a bunch of kids that didn't run their best performances, we didn't do too badly." WOMEN'S INTERHALL GOLD LEAGUE Welsh shoots down Ducks in 28-0 victory By LIA MILHOAN, ELIZABETH HOFHEIN and SUSIE CARPENTER Sports Writers A slick field and a misty night could not stop the Whirlwinds of Welsh Family Hall as they defeated the Ducks of Howard 28-0 Thursday night. On the first play of the game, Welsh ran a hook and ladder for a first down. Two plays later quarterback Katie Rak threw a 21-yard touchdown pass to a wide open Jen Yee. Welsh complet- ed a two-point conversion for an early 8-0 lead. The Whirlwinds applied relentless defensive pressure and sacked Howard quarterback Jill Veselik twice in a row and Howard was forced to punt. On Welsh's second offensive series, Alex Callan ran the ball to Howard's 5-yard-line setting up the second Welsh touchdown. On the following play, Jen Grubb threw to the endzone where Vanessa Lichon made a diving catch on slick grass to give the Whirlwinds a 14-0 lead going into the half. Quarterback Rak said of the wet conditions, "I think we dealt with the weather well. We couldn't run a couple of plays because of it, but we worked with it." Early in the second half, Welsh's Erin Mackenzie intercepted Veselik's pass at the Welsh 10-yard-line. However, Veselik intercepted Katie Rak's pass on the following play and Howard never got into a rhythm on offense and Welsh took over. Grubb took a hand off from Rak and ran to the Howard 3 yard line before being declared out of bounds by the officials. Rak then threw her second touchdown pass of the evening to round out the scoring for Welsh, giving them an insurmountable 20-0 lead. "Our defense once again stepped up. It is a great comfort knowing we have a good defense. Our offense has probably not executed better this season then they did tonight," said Welsh coach Casey Bouton. "We had to make sure we didn't get complacent after securing a playoff berth. I couldn't have asked for a bet- ter result today." see INTERHALL/page 16