Administration: Cosmosopolitan article unfair

By MYRA McGRIFF
News Writer

Members of the Saint Mary's and Notre Dame administrations voiced concerns regarding an article in the March issue of Cosmosopolitan magazine that hit stands Wednesday detailing the alleged rape of a Saint Mary's student by a Notre Dame student.

The article titled "Danger in the Dorm" detailed the story of Saint Mary's junior Sarah Alter who said she was raped her freshman year on Saint Mary's campus.

Although the article portrayed Alter's story, members of the College and University administration felt their side of

Dinosaurs push for ND to join WRC

By JASON McFARLEY
Assistant News Editor

In the largest campus demonstration at the University in more than two years, about 100 students took part in a rally Thursday to urge Notre Dame's joining the Workers Rights Consortium (WRC).

The rally, organized by the Progressive Student Alliance (PSA), was the group's most visible and well-attended effort to date in its anti-sweatshop endeavors. On the below-freezing afternoon on the Fieldhouse Mall, speakers called for the University to commit itself to fighting unfair labor practices by joining the watchdog WRC.

Coordinators timed the event around the University's March 11 decision of whether or not to join the organization.

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Watch your back

I've killed three people since Monday and I plan to kill one more today during my killing spree. I'm Empowered with a leaky water gun, I've stalked my victims, learning about their daily movements so I can hide behind a corner and shoot them dead (or, in one case, enlisting a stranger to remove the target from the dorm so I could shoot him). Knott and Cavanaugh began a game of assassins on Monday. For those of you unfamiliar with the game, it is an opportunity for college students to act like third graders and squirt water guns at each other. Each person is given another person to kill and when he is successful, he must kill whoever the person he killed was to kill. This continues until you yourself are shot or you are the last alive, and win.

This game is played under the guise of improving gender relations. However, it just continues the practice you started freshman year when you yourself are shot or you are the last alive, and win.

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Filipino Fiesta set for Saturday

By MEG DADAY
News Writer

Without leaving campus and for less than the price of a movie, students can be transported to a different country Saturday night at the Filipino Fiesta.

The seventh annual Fiesta Filipina, a showcase of Filipino food and dance, will be held Feb. 24 at 7 p.m. in Stepan Center. Admission is $5 for students and $7 for the general public.

According to Jane Ong, president of the event sponsor, the Filipino American Student Organization, the purpose of the evening is to "expose the campus to Filipino culture. A lot of the dances celebrate the simplicity of life and show how much (Filipino people) enjoy doing their work."

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Joyce renovations in planning stages

By SCOTT BRODFUEHRER
News Writer

After examining the condition of all athletic facilities, the athletic department is holding preliminary meetings to discuss the renovation of the Joyce Center.

According to associate athletic director for Game Management and Facilities Tom Kelly, the department examined all game, practice, support and conditioning facilities and compared them with facilities of other schools during the fall semester, as well as conducting over 50 hours of interviews with people who use the facilities. As a result of this process, the Joyce Center emerged as a facility that the department would like to improve.

"It's a big part of our facility package," said Kelly. "Such a large number of functions take place just in the arena, like basketball and volleyball games, freshman orientation and commencement.

"We're anxious to get started but do not yet know the implications of what will be done," he said.

In the next weeks, the athletic department will hold meetings to determine what work will be completed. The department will be working with the University during this process and the construction will be done in cooperation with the University master plan.

"We will try to keep the facility available during construction, like the stadium was, so we won't be able to do everything we want to do at the same time," said Kelly.

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Indian convicted of killing sons: An American Indian was convicted of second-degree murder Thursday for drowning his two sons, a case tribal leaders said should never have gone to state court because of sovereignty concerns and because they had forgiven him.

Kirk Douglas Billie, 32, from Miami admitted searching for new cases of the highly contagious livestock ailment. One new case was found Thursday, three days after the sickness surfaced, and authorities briefly quarantined a second slaughterhouse over a suspected case that proved negative.

WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Zapatistas outline march plans: Mexico's Zapatista rebels, who are preparing a journey from the jungle to rally support for Indian rights, accused President Vicente Fox on Thursday of trying to use the guerrillas to peace without achieving justice.

Britain tries to contain disease: Brandishing bright-yellow tape to cordon off farms that could harbor foot-and-mouth disease, veterinary inspectors set out to cull the country's livestock, searching for new cases of the highly contagious livestock ailment. One new case was found Thursday, three days after the sickness surfaced, and authorities briefly quarantined a second slaughterhouse over a suspected case that proved negative.

INDIANA NEWS BRIEFS

Brother saves sibling's life: Police say a bilingual 11-year-old helped save his younger brother's life when he calmly listened to a Hammond 911 dispatcher's instructions and told his Spanish-speaking mother how to perform CPR. Daniel Tinajero said he knew it was important that he stay calm and listen to the dispatcher. "If I didn't stay calm, I couldn't translate everything," Daniel said. "I learned how to use 911 in school. They taught us about fire drills and other emergencies. They told us that in cases of emergency to stay calm."
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and it would require a lot of courage.

Clarence Hodges

For Clarence Hodges who graduated from the University with a degree in education in 1955 and a master's degree in 1957, it didn’t matter that Notre Dame was an overwhelmingly white University, because proximity to his home in Michigan was the priority. Attending another college could have promised more diversity wasn’t an option.

Hodges served in the U.S. Navy from 1943 through the GI Bill, which enabled veterans to get a college education, decided to use the GI Bill, which had been in place since World War II, to attend the University. With a college student. "I was older than those boys to begin with and I know they came from well-to-do families," said Hodges. "I would go down there and play pool on all the different tables so if someone wanted to play pool, they had to play with me. I helped them to integrate." After being a teacher for 40 years and receiving a master's degree in education from Michigan State, Hodges is still in love with Notre Dame.

"Notre Dame is an educational setting that is just different from everyone else," he said, comparing his experience at the University to his time at Michigan State. "If there is any one thing that I like about Notre Dame, it is that it is a Christian university. I haven't run across anything that comes remotely close to being a Christian university like Notre Dame. If I could do it all again, other students would be in love with the University. Hodges still returns to the University for the Notre Dame alumni...
SMC candidates discuss platforms

By MOLLY MCOY

The lack of enthusiasm that characterized the student body elections at Saint Mary's did not carry over into the class elections when eight tickets presented their platforms at the meet the candidates night.

Four tickets arrived to represent the freshman class in running for sophomore class board. Only one ticket was present to run for junior class board while three presented platforms for senior class offices.

Sophomore class tickets

The four tickets running for sophomore class board all emphasized increasing community with Notre Dame and increasing pride in their class and the community of Saint Mary's.

The Mahoney/McGraw ticket which emphasized activities with Notre Dame and new activities for the sophomore class think that if they are excited about activities, they can increase the rest of the student body excited as well.

"If there's someone very excited about the activity in each hall, more people get excited," said Jenny McGraw, candidate for vice president. "If we could get someone in each hall to work with us in that role, I think that would help." 

The Mahoney ticket hopes to implement a class trip to Chicago and a bowling night once a month as a class.

With a motto of sophoMORE SPIRIT, The Breitnacher/Hall ticket focused on activities that would increase spirit and communication in board of governance and the sophomore class. They want to keep Dalloways open past parrix more back to school dance.

The Jablonski-Diehl/Jank ticket emphasized coordinating activities for more participation and sponsoring both service and spirit activities. They want to have career exploration available for the class and sponsor a blood drive as a class.

"Each of us on our ticket are diverse," said Linda Janke, candidate for vice president. "We each bring a lot of different ideas to the platform. Hopefully, they'll be new and innovative.

The last ticket running for sophomore class offices, the Harrison/McLaughlin ticket emphasized all of the communities that Saint Mary's women are a part of. The want to increase the communication between Notre Dame women, Holy Cross women and alumni in addition to having a mentoring program within the majors and a sophomore class picture and Julia Richardson. Their first is on unity and involvement. They hope to sponsor a junior spirit week in addition to having a mentoring program within the majors and a sophomore class picture.

"First of all, we do whatever you want us to do," said John Harrison, the presidential ticket.

Junior class tickets

The single ticket running for junior class offices consisted of Allison Jordan, Stephanie Pace, Caroline Wellman and Julie Richardson. Their focus is on unity and involvement. They hope to sponsor a junior spirit week that would culminate with a junior class dance.

"Community is the key to any successful event," said vice presidential candidate Pace said. "To help enhance community between the board and our class, we want to have a suggestion box, a newsletter, a website and a bulletin board.

"Our ticket's motto is sophoMORE SPIRIT, and I think this platform has a lot of spirit," said Mandy Breitnacher, candidate for sophomore class president.

Senior class tickets

Three tickets entered the race for senior class board and were represented at meet the candidates night. They all emphasized the importance of making their senior year memorable and planning activities that will do so.

The Kuhns/James ticket want to plan activities such as a small senior class dance. "They want to have a spring fling day and winter sowlings" that will offer outdoor activities for the class.

"We hope to have a column in our newsletter dedicated to senior post-graduation news," said Kevin Kuhns, the candidate for president. "We'll have a liaison on our core team, we'll talk directly with Dave Wilkenson from career and counseling."

Another major part of their ticket was increased interest in Saint Mary's athletics. They want to sponsor a "game of the week" that will possibly be sponsored by Notre Dame athletics. The Weldon/Crawford ticket also emphasized the importance of a memorable senior year. They hope to be instrumental in those activities related to graduation and offer information and opportunies to students about college and career planning.

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"There are intense pressures to have state of the art facilities, to keep up with the Joneses so you can stay in the running," Malloy said.

Notre Dame is nearly unique in the fact that it makes money on its sports programs, according to Malloy, who noted that 85 to 90 percent of athletic departments nationwide operate on a deficit. But those departments spend still more money, in order to be competitive and possibly recoup their losses. This, in part, has led to high salaries for coaches. Malloy noted that more than 30 college football coaches earn at least $1 million a year.

Academic standards is another area in which universities make sacrifices in the name of student success, Malloy said. But, pointing to the high grade point averages and graduation rates of Notre Dame student-athletes, he argued that the University is a good example of what can be done by a school which resists that temptation.

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Malloy: high academic standards necessary

By TIM LOGAN

Senior Staff Writer

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In 1997 it created a code of conduct regulating the production of Notre Dame apparel and goods and a year later formed the Task Force on Anti-sweatshop Initiatives.

In late 1999 the University requested that manufacturers of its school-logo merchandise disclose their factory locations and last August required disclosure of factory addresses by its licensees.

Notre Dame is currently a member of the Fair Labor Association (FLA), a corporate monitoring system, and continues to study living wage issues in the United States and abroad.

Speakers on Thursday raised several concerns about the University’s membership in the FLA.

Sheila McCarthy, who described garment factory conditions she encountered while studying in Sri Lanka, said the WRC is better equipped to address labor issues.

While the WRC was formed by anti-sweatshop activists to empower workers, the FLA was created with the backing of corporations who want to protect their image, McCarthy said.

“There are problems like sexual harassment and forced overtime occurring in factories. The FLA doesn’t address that like the WRC,” she said.

Event organizers collected more than 100 signatures Thursday on a petition that encourages the University to join the WRC.

Saint Mary’s already belongs to the organization. Purdue University and the University of Michigan also are members.

Aaron Kreider, a PSA member, said the group will likely forward the petition to the Notre Dame Task Force on Anti-sweatshop Initiatives early next week, before the body makes a recommendation involving WRC membership to University officials.

Kreider said meetings with members of the task force have yielded positive results.

The rally Thursday featured the biggest student turnout at a demonstration in at least two years. In fall 1998, students protested what they believed was Father David Garrick’s forced resignation, following the University’s decision to not add homosexuality to its non-discrimination clause.

Kreider said the PSA produced more than 2,500 flyers, chalked sidewalks and distributed leaflets in preparation for the rally Thursday. He said he was pleased with the turnout.

It is the result of about two weeks of organizing. We were only expecting around 50 people, so to see more than 100 today is great,” he said.

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the story got lost in the final cut of the article.

“I spent an hour talking to Carol Huang [the article’s author] and she chose not to use our information,” said Bill Kirk, assistant vice president of Student Affairs at Notre Dame. “I did not think it was a terribly fair article.”

Melanie Engler of the Saint Mary’s public relations office agreed.

Engler said she thought the story did more harm than good and said she was concerned that both campus administrators and the university’s task force were quoted in the story.

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“If a student wants to report the assault to security they can and security performs an investigation,” said Dana North, director of Residence Life at Saint Mary’s. “From there a student can choose to prosecute. But we are here as a support system for the student.”

Though not able to talk specifically about Alter’s case, Linda Timm, Saint Mary’s vice president of Student Affairs and Mary DePauw, director of Career and Counseling at Saint Mary’s discussed the procedure of rape cases.

Timm and DePauw said officials from the office of Student Affairs encourage students to report any case of sexual assault. Along with encouraging a student to come, the office gives guidelines that are followed when such an assault case is known.

“When we are notified of an assault we put the campus on alert,” said Timm. Knowing her story hit newsstands on Wednesday, Alter said she did not tell her story to make her rape only a Saint Mary’s and Notre Dame issue.

She said that she told her story to break the silence of rape victims everywhere, not just to draw attention to the need for adjusting the rape and assault policies at Saint Mary’s and Notre Dame.

“I know there is a lot of negative feedback out there but if my story can relate to someone in Oklahoma and help them come forward, then that’s good,” said Alter.

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**Pope assigns churches to 44 new cardinals**

Associated Press

Along with the scarlet hat and golden ring, 44 new cardinals got a church in Rome to care for as a sign of their new responsibility as Roman Catholic "princes."

Pope John Paul II, who bestowed the rings on Thursday and the hats on Wednesday, also charged each new cardinal with one of Rome's 1,048 churches.

High-profile churches — often ones in need of costly repairs — tend to go to cardinals from wealthy countries.

Two of Rome's better-known churches went to the cardinals from New York and Washington.

The United States is one of the church's leading financial contributors, along with Germany.

New York Archbishop Edward Egan said he looks forward to helping raise money for repairs at his "parish" church, the Church of Saints John and Paul.

"Rome is a city of great music, art and beauty. But above all, Rome is a city of holiness," said Egan, who takes "title" on Friday.

**WASHINGTON**

Archbishop Theodore E. McCarrick — one of four American citizens to have the pope slip the ring on his right hand at a Mass on Thursday in St. Peter's Square — was assigned the Church of Saints Nereo and Achilleus.

McCarrick will celebrate Mass Sunday on the church, built in the fourth century over the graves of Nereo and Achilleus, who were killed by the Roman emperor Diocletian.

The tradition of "titular" churches goes back centuries, when there were 25 major churches in Rome and a cardinal's right to vote for pope stemmed from being pastor of one of these churches.

Today, all cardinals under 80 are eligible to vote.

The other new American-born cardinal, Fordham University theologian Avery Dulles is 82 and cannot vote for pope.

Dulles will take title Friday to the Church of the Names of Jesus and Mary.

Another U.S. citizen — Ukrainian-born, American-educated Lubomyr Husar, the archbishop of Lviv, Ukraine — was assigned the Church of Saint Sophia, an Eastern rite church.

Egan, 68, succeeded the late Cardinal John O'Connor in May as head of the New York archdiocese. McCarrick, 70, was named Washington archbishop in November.

**SOUTH KOREA**

**Nation could end missile accords**

Associated Press

SEoul

In a sharp outburst Thursday, North Korea threatened to scrap missile and nuclear accords with Washington and raided against the Bush administration's plans for a missile defense system.

The new U.S. administration's foreign and national security teams are increasingly adopting a "hard-line stance" toward Pyongyang, North Korea's Foreign Ministry said in a statement carried in English on KCNA, the country's foreign news outlet.

Washington wants Pyongyang "to totally disarm itself first. The U.S. is seriously mistaken if it thinks that Pyongyang will accept its demand," it said.

The statement is a clear warning to President Bush, four months after then-Secretary of State Madeleine Albright and North Korean leader Kim Jong II toasted one another at state banquets in Pyongyang, capital of the communist nation.

While the fundamentals of U.S. policy toward North Korea remain unaltered, there was a marked shift in tone after Bush took office. His senior aides seemed more wary about the prospect of progress and more assertive about the need for concrete gestures of reconciliation from Pyongyang.

And shortly before taking over Albright's job in January, Colin Powell referred to Kim as a "dictator" during a U.S. Senate confirmation hearing.

On Thursday, Pyongyang said it might abandon a moratorium on long-range missile tests, as well as a 1994 accord under which it froze its suspected nuclear weapons program in exchange for the construction of a U.S.-led consortium of two nuclear reactors. Delayed have plagued the project.

"So it's not helpful ... to threaten to have missile tests in order to get us to do something to give up missile defense." — Condoleezza Rice, National Security adviser

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The seven levels of existence

The first and second in a seven part series by Seng Kai Wong

February 2, 2001. Fifteen minutes into a night train ride to Dresden. The car rumbles and squeaks over the tracks. I stretch my legs out on the top bunk of our sleeping car. My fingers, spine and chestingle as motion overwhips me. A month of study, determination, to let tranquility transport me across boundaries and cultures.

February 3, 2001. Dresden. In the morning we arrive in the Eastern German city. I lock my backpack in the train station for the Deutsch Marks and a prayer that it will still be there that evening.

February 4, 2001. Berlin. I slept the night in a room with six other beds. The showers are down the hall. I awake my traveling companion Kirsten at 8 a.m. and 9:30 we have eaten breakfast and consulted the map that would aid our navigation of the metropolis.

February 5, 2001. Berlin. Today we visit the Pergamom Museum. I watch a Japanese couple take a photo graph in front of the sign. "You are now leaving the American sector," right after I pay six dollars to enter the museum. Ironically, this line that just 15 years ago people died fighting over has become a tourist attraction.

February 6, 2001. On a train to Hamburg. An amiable mother and her two-year old daughter share our compartment. The mother speaks with pride about her country and her pleasure that those once trapped behind the Wall can now partake fully in its beauty.

February 7, 2001. On a night train to Munich. I wake to find myself in a four Deutsch Marks hotel room. I pay six dollars to enter the museum. I eagerly await a few minutes of solitude to reflect upon the devastation of a conflict almost 60 years in the past. Here, the ancient and the modern rise from the ground side by side. The facade of the cathedral appears an elderly masterpiece. The inside lacks the painting and the gold gilding that adorned the original. Only people enliven the interior of the beautiful shell.

February 8, 2001. Bruges. We rent bikes from a woman at a small corner store and ride circles around some windmills. An hour later the warm cloudy day turns into a cold rainy day and we stand with raindrops dripping off our jackets and hair in front of the door to St. Salvator’s church.

February 9, 2001. On a train to Amsterdam. We considered remaining on Bruges’ quaint streets. Instead we journey to the city where the smell of marijuana overwhips the district around Central Station. A walk through the red light district opens the eyes of a good Catholic girl.

February 10, 2001. Tomorrow we must meet friends in Paris. We have one train. It gets to Paris at 10:14 p.m.

February 11, 2001. We arrive at 11 a.m. in the Brussels train station. “Could we make a reservation on the train to Paris?”

February 12, 2001. “No. All of the trains are full.”

February 13, 2001. “Is there any way we can get to Paris today?”

February 14, 2001. “Not with my company. Maybe if you take two trains.”

February 15, 2001. “We need to get to Paris today.”

February 16, 2001. “We have one train. It got to Paris at 10:14 p.m.”

February 17, 2001. “Great. Are there any other trains?”

February 18, 2001. “No.”

February 19, 2001. “And I planned to write a column about the convenience of train travel.”

February 20, 2001. Twelve hours after arriving in the Brussels station, we reunite with our friends, who had spent the week in the British Isles.

February 21, 2001. From the top of the Eiffel Tower the next night, I believe that I can see the lights of Spain, my next destination, beyond the expanses of Paris.

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The opinions expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.
Clothes controversy from double standards

Controversy over the appropriateness of tight, short skirts paired with short underwear is a hot topic on the pages of Viewpoint. The original criticism of the so-called implied messages of a lady who wears such attire has sparked an intense flurry of competing reactions.

There is one thing all these arguments have in common: judgments of the opposite sex. Regardless of one's position on the matter, it is clear that women and men are both sides see the other according to a certain perception—or, misconception.

This campus topic is more connected to anthropology than one might think. In his introduction to the anthropology classic, Writing on the Pond: Precepts of Ethnography, James Clifford reviews how, throughout history, the field has never escaped a political climate.

Historically, anthropologists have been forced to reflect upon the contexts of colonialism, hegemonic structures and oppression within the fields they study. Often, field researchers have been blamed for promoting these inequalities.

Outside these cultures that practice female genital mutilation, anthropologists have had to choose between becoming too involved as a participant and necessarily becoming an active advocate for the oppressed or becoming too removed as an observer, thereby allowing for an impartial stance to continue.

Today, Clifford notes, "different rules for the game of ethnography are now emerging in many parts of the world," and an anthropologist must re-examine Native Americans, for example, might find him or herself caught up in land claim litigations.

Ultimately, anthropologists have never been shamed as outsiders to make judgments on what is best for their particular culture. Clifford's conclusions have implications for all of us at Notre Dame.

Anthropologists will not attempt to list characteristics of studied cultures; to do so would be to sell their science short. To place a judgmental overlay upon those cultures is an appropriate thing to do. To promote these inequalities. Often, field researchers have been blamed for promoting these inequalities.

For example, parietal-based dormitory living has given rise to a costume's worth of slang phrases: "random hook-ups" and "the walk of shame." Only because the consequences of parietal violations differ based on whether they occur in a female or a male dormitory does this practice not have enough information to form a conclusion about her representing any particular type of woman. The long and the short of it is that this issue has been covered. Pun intended.

The real problem here is hidden, like a Where's Waldo picture: double standards. Especially here, on a campus where 1972 still seems so recent to those who liked Notre Dame better as an all-male entity, we have double standards in place to protect this little piece of campus life. In particular, parietal-based dormitory living has given rise to a couple of slang phrases: "random hook-ups" and "the walk of shame."

By the sheer nature of an atmosphere steeped in patriarchal connotations, we seem to be reaching for the female and bring them into the dialogue. Specifically, why is it that the same mini-skirt that gets the criticism here, rather than the behavior of the man as he reaches his hand to go where he has not been invited?

What gives a guy the idea that his hand is welcome underneath, or behind or under someones mini-skirt? Why isn't this rude behavior the gender topic of discussion? Isn't a flurry of letters on this issue long overdue?

By the sheer nature of an atmosphere steeped in patriarchal connotations, we seem to be preserving double standards and judgmental attitudes.

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It's all About Anthropology

Brenda Payne

At Saint Mary's College, many of the proud new owners of the March 2001 Cosmopolitan magazine were seen flipping to the first page of the "Danger in the Dorm" article, reading the section about the Saint Mary's College rape victim and closing the magazine or flipping to a different section.

True, Saint Mary's College does not get much publicity. It is exciting to see the name of the school was mentioned in such a well-known magazine such as Cosmopolitan.

However, the article serves not to commend the school but to degrade the safety and moral character of the Saint Mary's and Notre Dame campuses. All over the nation, prospective students are getting the message: Saint Mary's College and Notre Dame are not supportive of rape victims.

I applaud the writers of Cosmopolitan for actually covering an important issue. However, I would like to challenge the members of the Saint Mary's, Notre Dame and Holy Cross student bodies not to simply close the magazine, but to use the article to call administrative attention to the degrading state of student welfare that is being broadcast to the nation.

What would make you listen to the information provided at the beginning of the year about campus attacks? What should be done to promote safety on our campuses?

Our schools have just been insulted and rightly so, by a major publication in which many prospective students subscribe. As the student body, it is our responsibility to insist on change. With the voice we have been given let us rally behind the women of our school and protect them from the neglect of campus policy.

Becky Shepowski

Holy Cross Hall

February 21, 2001

Memorial is an honor to countless innocent victims

Everyday in America, statues and memorials are dedicated to veterans, outstanding politicians, peacekeepers and educators. Each dedication singles out a person or group of persons and honors them for their life however long or short it was.

Some of these memorials are for victims of wars, hate crimes and lives shortened by everything but choice. One of these such memorials is the statue of Mary dedicated to victims of abortion. A statue created in honor of victims of a choice-less death.

Therefore, the statue dedicated by the Knights of Columbus is not a "trojan horse." It is not being used to house some hidden meaning of beliefs everyone who see it should have.

It is meant to honor those whose lives were shortened by no fault of their own. If mothers who have abortions feel like it's a "violating and shattering experience" then they must have honor for those lives that have ended prematurely.

Therefore, I can see no mother who would look at a memorial to the children who are no longer with them as a "slap in the face." If they did, then their experience must not have contained the violence that was so vividly described in the Feb. 22 letter "Remove the 'Trojan Horse.'"

Wars that are fought have two sides, but often only one is honored in a statue or in an article. People lose their lives into the experience. This is the side the Knights of Columbus chose to honor because it gives those children a chance to have a name in this world. A name they deserve.

They are the choice-less victims and those who choose to stand and protect them need to find us, to recognize this helplessness.

Gretchen Danysz

February 22, 2001

February 21, 2001
New Orleans’ Mardi Gras

Thinking of making a break for the Big Easy this weekend? Scene offers a few

By LAURA KELLY
Associate Scene Editor

Maybe you became a “Real World” addict, glued to your television every Tuesday night to watch last season’s wild times in Belfort Mansion. Or maybe you’ve heard the tall tales of past Mardi Gras spring-breakers, marveled at their collection of stringed beads and seen their memorable photos. Whatever the reason, thousands of college students are inspired each year to make the pilgrimage to Mardi Gras in New Orleans.

The lavish celebration of Carnival is held all over the world during the period before Lent starts on Ash Wednesday. “Fat Tuesday” was a tradition of Mardi Gras in New Orleans’ earliest days, a season now marked by outrageous costumes, indulgent drinking and general debauchery.

Parades of elaborate floats wind down the city streets, with tourists sometimes packed in 20 people deep, straining to see. Green, purple and gold are everywhere, the official colors of Mardi Gras. The lucky few who get to ride on the floats toss beads, doubloons and other “throws” to the eager crowds below. And in what has become a recent — if often criticized — tradition of Mardi Gras in New Orleans, excessive partying leads revelers of both genders to bare themselves to the world during the period before Lent starts on Ash Wednesday. “Fat Tuesday” was a tradition of Mardi Gras in New Orleans’ earliest days, a season now marked by outrageous costumes, indulgent drinking and general debauchery.

Today, Mardi Gras has developed into New Orleans’ busiest tourist season, with millions of tourists packing the city to watch the parades and join in the parties. The partying in New Orleans officially began on Jan. 6 of this year, known as Twelfth Night or Kings Day because it falls 12 days after Christmas, on the day the Wise Men are said to have reached Bethlehem.

So those of you with great plans of escaping to the Big Easy this weekend better find a lost-long patience, you may still discover an open room.

Finding a hotel within walking distance of the parades is recommended, as public transportation schedules can be unreliable during the crowded weekend. Often the hotels on the parade routes are cheaper than others, and although many hotels boast of having their location in the French Quarter, keep in mind that no parades actually go through this area.

Once you find a place to crash — and coming to New Orleans without a hotel room is not recommended by Mardi Gras aficionados — transportation to the Big Easy is the next problem. By this point in the game, flying is out of the question — if you don’t have reservations by now, you’ll pay through the roof to get to Louisiana.

But hey, the 960 miles between South Bend and New Orleans (its rival for mayhem and excitement) can be tackled by any hardy thrill-seeker. Roadtripping across the country is a quintessential college experience, especially if you decide to make the trip, drop all the home work that’s cramping your style and head out the door — all within an hour of your decision.

Regardless of the means by which you travel to New Orleans, once you arrive amusement is abundant: costume contests, swamp tours, gambling on river boats or in casinos, jazz in the French Quarter. The city’s motto — “Laissez les bons temps rouler” — translates from French into “Let the good times roll,” a battle cry for all tourists.

New Orleans offers a wealth of food and fare, most noticeably the traditional Cajun cuisine. Feast on some spicy gumbo (a hearty soup) and treat yourself to king cakes. If you find a small plastic...
Let the good times roll

Tips to keep in mind as you live it up in the town of jazz, cajun and beads.

whether, this is where the rowdiest and most risqué partying takes place. It's everything your mother warned you about. And if you're not careful, a picture of your revelry may just end up on one of Mardi Gras' notorious Web sites.

If you're looking for the heart of the Mardi Gras madness, Bourbon Street is the place to be. During Carnaval, Bourbon Street transforms itself into a wild party. Bands play round the clock and some of the best Dixieland jazz and blues music in the world can be found on its blocks. Bars overflow while visitors enjoy the local drink, "Hurricane.

There are parties in every hotel and apartment along the street, with balconies full of people throwing beads to passers-by. These prized possessions of the holiday are earned not only by baring whatever the thrower asks you to, but more modestly, by yelling the phrase, "Show me something, Mister!" Remember these words and you're sure to come home laden with shiny beads.

So if you're ready to drop everything and make the trek to Mardi Gras, there are a few things you should know to make your time of revelry as exciting and worthwhile as it can be. Get to parade routes early if you want to be within the first two or three rows of people. Don't mess with chairs or ladders on the parade route, as locals stake their claim early and will defend it to the death. But bring along your own chairs and get there early (some recommend even before dawn) to get a good spot for the most popular parades.

Drink and be merry all you like, but keep a few rules in mind if you're imbibing. It's legal to drink alcoholic beverages on the street, but not from glass containers or cans. So grab a plastic cup to go, and you're all set.

Also, while New Orleans is fairly lenient during the wild days of Carnaval, you shouldn’t push your limits. Public drinking has never been a big deal, but any rowdiness and belligerence that results could be. And you just do not want to spend any time in the New Orleans drunk tank.

The same rules go for public nudity — a little flashing here and there isn’t a big deal, but if you start to draw a crowd, you’re asking for trouble.

Another thing to keep in mind is that many restaurants and bars will deny you bathroom privileges unless you are a patron. So plan your partying strategy and find restrooms en route — public urination is a definite no-no and a serious hot-button for natives and police alike.

Basically, during Carnaval, you’ll have to work to get arrested, but if you are, you’ll stay in jail until at least Ash Wednesday. This is city policy. And this will definitely put a kink in your plans to get back to school, let alone to start your Lenten resolution off on the right foot.

But don’t let these warnings deter you from having the time of your life on Bourbon Street. Wear a costume, grab some beads, gamble a bit, eat and drink to your heart’s content — live it up to excess. That’s what Mardi Gras is made for.

Just one last reminder — Mardi Gras officially ends at midnight on Tuesday, and they’re serious about this. Police officers on horseback will clean out Bourbon Street, forcing people into bars or down to the French Quarter, which will continue partying into the wee hours. If you don’t want your night to be cut short like Cinderella’s, continue your wild times elsewhere.

Whether you are the King of Mardi Gras (above) or a recipient of the beads and trinkets thrown from floats (below), Mardi Gras is sure to provide plenty of hedonistic entertainment.
**MEN'S LACROSSE**

Irish lacrosse teams anxious to start play

Special to the Observer

Notre Dame's men's lacrosse team got a taste of success last year when they made the NCAA quarterfinals last year. They begin their drive back to the tournament Saturday as they play their first match of the season at Penn State.

There is a sense of quiet confidence for 13th-year Notre Dame head coach Kevin Corrigan when he contemplates the 2001 season. With eight starters returning from last year's squad that reached the quarterfinals of the NCAA tournament the second time in five seasons, Corrigan and his coaching staff can't help but think about the potential for success this season.

Last year's dramatic 15-13 upset of Loyola in the first round of the NCAA tournament surprised everyone but those who had a part in the Irish reaching the quarterfinals. Winners of 10 games last season for the fourth time in nine years, seven of the team's eight scorers are back from last year's squad that finished with a 10-4 record.

"There's always a fine line between winning and losing," Corrigan said. "This is a team that is going to take some chances and be granted. This group of players, especially the seniors, has worked extremely hard to position themselves for the opportunity for some special things this season. But we also know what it takes to reach those goals.

With a wealth of talent and experience returning at every position on the field, Corrigan understands that the expectation will be greater than in any of his 12 previous seasons. But the Irish mentor knows that this is a different year and team. While the foundation is there to strive for greatness again this season, this is not a Notre Dame squad which will rest on its laurels.

"This is a delicate balance that we have to find between confidence in ourselves that we can do something and the sense you have that every team has its own journey," Corrigan said. "We have many experienced players returning, but you don't start where you left off, you start over. Regardless of how many players we have coming back, this is a different team."

A strong work ethic and key senior leadership were the driving forces behind the success of last year's team. Corrigan believes the senior class will play a critical role with the Irish this season as they look for success for important for his captains Mike Adams, Tom Glazel and Kirk Howell.

"Collectively, this is the most talented group of players that Notre Dame has ever had," Corrigan said. "The type of leadership displayed by Glazel and Howell has distinguished themselves as the headliners, and the rest of the senior class to provide the scoring ability up top," Corrigan said. "But the improvements that we do make are going to be made incrementally in each area of the field."

The strength of Notre Dame is with its attack unit, which could be regarded as one of the most potent in the country, as the Irish return all three of its starters, who also were its top three scoring leaders from a year ago. The trio of seniors Glazel, Ulrich and Jon Harvey combined for 82 goals and 51 assists.

Glazel and Ulrich, high school teammates at Boys' Latin in Baltimore, Md., were United States Intercollegiate Lacrosse Association (USILA) honorable-mention All-American selections. Glazel scored 38 goals (the third most by a Notre Dame player in a single season) and dished off 18 assists for 56 points, while Ulrich tallied 17 goals and tied the Irish single-season assist record with 39 for 49 points. Harvey, who scored just one goal in his two previous seasons, had one of the most dramatic turnarounds in school history as he netted 28 goals in his junior season.

"With the return of Tom, David and Jon at attack, we are blessed with tremendous scoring ability up top," Corrigan said. "There's not an area of the game where I don't think we can be a better team than we were a year ago. That's exciting because I don't think that's always been the case."

"We're not going to make any huge jumps this year," he continued. "But the improvements that we do make are going to be made incrementally in each area of the field."

Junior Owen Asplundh chases the ball during a game last season against Villanova. The men's team opens the season at Penn State on Saturday.

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**LACROSSE**

**LOST AND FOUND**

**FENCING**

ND to host Midwest Conference

Special to the Observer

The Notre Dame men's and women's fencing teams return to action this weekend in the friendly confines of the Joyce Center Fieldhouse, welcoming teams from 10 other schools for the annual Midwest Fencing Conference Championships.

The top-ranked Irish men are led by defending NCAA sabre champion Gabor Szelle (37-3 record in 2001, 134-8 for his career) and last year's NCAA foil runner-up Ozren Viviani (56-14, 95-23). The sabre squad won 80 percent of its matches in the regular season (best by any Irish weapon's), led by sabre captain James McCullough (34-8) and freshman Destante Mito (41-11).

The top-ranked women are led by All-American foilist Liza Boulton (54-6 in 2000, 90-15 career) and a pair of All-American epeeists: Anna Carnick (33- 15, 84-28) and Meagan Call (31-10, 99-58). The epee squad has distinguished itself as one of the nation's premiere, while Jon (Harvey) has made unbelievable strides and improvements in his games.

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If Mattet McGov-Marry married Jimmey Buffer, and Mattet Buffet, Mikes Back again this year. Why are you so deranged? I am not going to bed tonight. Except tonight to all Knott Hall residents: VOTE CRAG NOT NO FOR SAIN ATE. I am proud to say that I've driven through every NVG through in 3 and a half months.

Well, I let Casey drive — or pretend to drive, at least.

**PERSONAL**

Wanted an STTDR who will act and not make up other things than go to the bathroom

Lakasla — sleep is overrated.

Other things are not

I can see the end

And I'm out!

Hey you, thanks for the candy, and I stepped on by the Grumps tonight.
Friday, February 23, 2001

The No. 14 Notre Dame softball team continues the 2001 season this weekend at the Morning News Invitational in Fayetteville, Ark.

The Irish started the season on a high note, sweeping five games at the Holiday Inn Invitational, hosted by the University of South Florida. The 5-0 opening season record is the best start for a softball team in Notre Dame history.

The Morning News Invitational is a double-header format tournament. The Irish will face Texas Tech twice on Friday, Feb. 23, at 11 a.m., then take on Arkansas twice on Saturday, Feb. 24, at 4 p.m., followed by a double-dip vs. Maine on Sunday, Feb. 25, at 9 a.m.

The Irish also received the highest ranking in school history after their opening weekend. Notre Dame is now ranked 14th in the USA Today/NFCA Top 25, which is the highest ranking in school history, due to its opening weekend when it earned the Holiday Inn Invitational title with a 5-0 record.

The highest ranking the team had reached prior to this week’s poll was 17th (the 2001 Preseason Top 25 and the 1994 Preseason Top 25).

Notre Dame began its 2001 season in impressive fashion last weekend by posting five victories at the Holiday Inn Invitational in Tampa, Fla.

The 5-0 start to the season is the best opening-season record the team has achieved since the program began in 1989.

Senior Lizzy Lemire and junior Jenny Kriech shared tournament MVP honors for the weekend. Lemire pounded out six hits, including a double and triple over the five games. Kriech led the team with eight hits and four RBIs, including the game-winning single against No. 4 Washington in the bottom of the seventh inning.

Notre Dame’s Jen Sharron gave three stellar pitching performances over the course of the tournament as well. Sharron took the mound against Maryland, No. 4 Washington and No. 15 South Carolina, coming away with victories in each contest. She gave up just two runs in the three games and struck out 36 batters.
The Roadrunners return 17 of 27 letter-winners from 2000. Last year, they went 17-37, finishing 10th in the Southland Conference. Having already played a few games thanks to their warm weather climate, the Roadrunners bring in a 1-7 record this season, highlighted by two victories over Alabama.

Saturday afternoon, Notre Dame takes on Texas-Pan American. Matt Buchmeier takes the mound for the second game of the weekend. The independent Broncs finished 31-19-1 last season, and return 14 of 25 letter-winners from that weekend.

However, the Broncs have run into some tough luck so far this season, compiling a 1-8 overall record. In the six times the Irish and Broncs have met, each team has come away with three victories.

Buchmeier started in the second game against Mississippi State last weekend, pitching four scoreless innings in the win. The game was only the junior's fourth career start.

The final game of the weekend matches the Irish against the Bearkats of Sam Houston State Sunday at 11 a.m. Seventeen of 23 players return from a team that went 25-29 last season.

Senior right-hander Danny Tamayo starts that final game of the weekend for the Irish. Tamayo suffered the only loss of the season for the Irish last weekend despite giving up only two earned runs over six innings against New Orleans.
Notre Dame point guard Martin Ingelsby drives around Boston College's Troy Bell during Notre Dame's 76-75 win last Wednesday. Ingelsby's off-balance jumper with 3.7 seconds left sealed the game for the Irish.

Notre Dame can't afford to risk further injury to its leading rebounder and second-leading scorer, but it also wants to beat 1,000 on this road trip against Virginia Tech and Connecticut. Going two-for-two on the road would assure the Irish of first place in the Big East West Division, since they boast a two-game lead over the second-place Syracuse Orange in heading into Saturday.

"These two games are critical for us," Graves said, "because we're going to have to come home and face a very, very tough Georgetown team. You don't want to have a must-win game against a team like Georgetown. We're going to have to take care of business those first two games."

Virginia Tech, while not as talented as Boston College, is similar in its speed and defensive pressure. The Hokies' top talent is sophomore guard Brian Chase, who leads the league with a 47 percent shot from behind the arc. He will be hard-pressed to match that against Notre Dame. The Irish hold opponents to a conference low in shooting and stifled BC's daggers at the right times Wednesday.

"You just extend your man-to-man out and don't let him get any good looks," Graves said. "Just disrupt his rhythm, do a lot of the things they do to us. That's one thing we've learned. We can do a lot of the things they do to us. They'll bother the other teams, too."

Other key players for the Hokies are 6-foot-10 transfer Carlton Carter and small forwards Carlos Dixon and Bryant Matthews.

Notre Dame holds the advantage across the board with steady Martin Ingelsby at point guard, aided by Graves and Matt Carroll at the guard positions.

Down low, the Irish are usually dominant with All-American Troy Murphy and forwards Harold Swanagan and Humphrey. If Humphrey is missing from the lineup, however, depth will be a concern, particularly on defense.

"When we start man-to-man, it gets us active," Brey said. "Who's healthy? Is Humphrey starting? What do we do defensively is based on. Is he going to be available?"

"It's something we absolutely have to consider," Brey said, "because we have to get Humphrey well. There's a big picture, too. We'll do what we have to do. We want to have as fresh of legs as possible going into New York for the Big East Tournament."

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Shamrock Invite is last chance for swimmers to make NCAAs

By ANDREW SOUKUP
Sports Writer

It's crunch time for the Notre Dame swim teams. This weekend's Shamrock Invitational is the last opportunity for swimmers on the Notre Dame swimming and diving team to earn qualifying times for the NCAA Championship in mid-March, and the Irish swimmers are feeling the pressure.

Although several women's swimmers have earned NCAA provisional qualifying times, not a single swimmer has an automatic bid. Meanwhile, the men's team is hoping to send the first Irish male swimmer to the national competition.

The No. 15 Notre Dame women, who won their fifth consecutive Big East championship title last weekend, have several swimmers who rank among the top in the nation. Junior Kelly Hecking's backstroke times rank her among the best in Division I competition. She is ranked 11th in both the 100-yard and 200-yard backstroke events and is almost certain to compete at the NCAA championships.

Meanwhile, freshman Marie Labosky is ranked among the top 20 in three events. She is ranked No. 16 in the 400-yard individual medley and is 17th in both the 200-yard individual medley and the 1,650-yard freestyle.

Lisa D'Olier, who won both butterfly events last weekend, holds the No. 27 time in the 100-yard butterfly and is No. 34 in the 200-yard butterfly.

Junior Allison Lloyd is ranked No. 22 in the 100-yard breaststroke, the same event she won last weekend.

Other women's swimmers who have times in the top 50 are Nicole Kohrt, Danielle Hulick and Lisa Garcia.

On the men's side, the best hopes for a NCAA bid rest on the shoulders of Jonathan Pierce. Last weekend, Pierce became the first male swimmer this year to earn an NCAA provisional qualifying bid. His 4:27.39 swim in the 500-yard freestyle also broke his own school record. Pierce also finished fourth in the 400-yard individual medley.

The Irish divers, who went through the entire dual meet season undefeated, also had a solid weekend at the Big East Championships. Andy Maggio led the Irish divers by placing second in the one-meter competition and third in the three-meter competition. Herb Huesman was close behind, finishing fourth on the one-meter board and fifth on the three-meter board.

The Shamrock Invitational begins Saturday and continues through Sunday. Preliminaries begin at 11 a.m. At press time, it was unknown which athletes would be swimming.

Freshman Lisa D'Olier takes a breath during the 100-yard butterfly at last weekend's Big East Championships. D'Olier won both the 100-yard and 200-yard butterfly events.
Joyce had the best game of her young career off the bench for the Irish. Joyce scored 13 points in 23 minutes, dishing out a pair of assists and sinking two key three-pointers.

The game marks the first time this season that the Irish take on the Hoyas. Georgetown sits in eighth place in the conference, sporting a 6-8 Big East record, 15-11 overall.

The last time these two Catholic school rivals met, the Irish dominated. Notre Dame topped Georgetown 87-56 in front of 4,324 fans at the Joyce Center. Ivey nearly had a triple-double for the Irish, leading the attack with 18 points, seven rebounds and seven assists.

Katie Smrcka-Duffy was the only Georgetown player in double figures in that game, scoring 14 points on six-of-14 shooting.

This season, the Hoyas are led by Duffy and freshman Rebekkah Brunson. Duffy, a senior, averages 16.9 points per contest. She has led Georgetown in scoring 15 different times this season.

"Duffy on the perimeter is one of the best players in the league," McGraw said. "She can score a lot of points. She played really well here."

Brunson averages 15 points and 9.5 rebounds per contest. Big East coaches have named Brunson, Georgetown's prize freshman, Rookie of the Week six separate times this season. Her rebounding skills will be needed, as the Irish out-rebounded the Hoyas 40-33 in their last meeting.

"She's a very skilled player and is having a great year," McGraw said.

Point guard Lesley Walker averages 8.7 points and 4.6 assists per contest. Walker is 20 for 46 from three-point range this season. The Hoyas also sport a deep bench.

"They have a good point guard in Walker. They have a pretty good bench, probably seven deep," McGraw said. "I think that they're going to present some problems for us."

"Hopefully we'll have two more after this, but this could be it for a lot of people so it's great that they're going to go out like this," McGraw said.
First day of charity tournament marked by one-sided matches

By BRIAN BURKE
Sports Writer

After about the seventh fight of the 71st Annual Montreal Bouts, the atmosphere on the main floor, something became apparent to the crowds that packed the arena. Now you can count the fights.

With the top seeds enjoying byes, the 135- and 145-pound weight classes put on a show of frantic swinging and flat-bashing. At the same time, they also were all unanimous decisions, save one TKO.

Mike Fink, left, takes a punch from Jeff Ream during their 150-pound fight Thursday. Ream won the bout by an unanimous decision.

**Middle weights see mix of close matches**

By JEFF BALTRUZAK
Sports Writer

150-lbs.


In the second, he let Macauley come to him but still countered well. By the third Gonzalez was landing punches that can only be described as haymakers, much to the delight of the raucous crowd.

Next it was the seniors’ turn, as Christopher Cardido then made it four in a row for the top seeds enjoying byes. Cardido finally managed to land a jab to the head of Mike “The Jersey Jackhammer” McAleenan at the end of the second, but my nose was bleeding and I knew I had to finish strong in the final 25 seconds,” said Voss.


The ensuing bout between Corey “To-Knockout” Shalanski and Mario “Swift-T” Tisby was a brawl. The contest began with both fighters swinging frantically, almost getting tangled in the ropes.

Toby showed he is a force to be reckoned with, backing under Salomanski effectively, backing him into the ropes and landing a devastating uppercut. One such blow to the midsection sent Shalanski to the canvas in the third round. Toby had earned the unanimous decision.

Mike “The Jersey Jackhammer” McClellan took control early in the first against Eddy. Land combinations that had Eddy backing up. Eddy then turned the tide; however, chasing McClellan around the ring and scoring a stunning eight in the second, Eddy didn’t have the pace of the fight and sealed the win knocking McClellan to the canvas in the third round.

The first round was a 145-lb. match with Walter “The Mexican Tiger, Hidden Dragon” Stinson taking on Joe “The Polish Tank” Czerniawski. It was clear that Czerniawski would have the upper hand. He remained aggressive the entire fight, following Stinson around the ring, tagging him multiple times with stinging body blows. In fact, the only problem Czerniawski had was staying on his feet. The law student slipped twice during his unanimous win.

The first round battle between Shawn “The Full Monty” Montasserli and Steve “The Nature of Lightweight” Keppel proved to be the most hotly-contested of the two’s entire bout.

Keppel knocked Montasserli down early, and after a standing eight-count, Keppel attacked. For the 10 seconds after the count, it looked like Keppel’s fist was attached to Montasserli’s head with a rope as he relentlessly pounded his opponent. Keppel secured a unanimous decision after three strong rounds of boxing.

“Tuff” Bolanos nor Tommy “Death to the Games” Devoe reflected the even bout.

From the start of Paul “Grueling Tiger” Eldridge, hidden right-hand punches set the tone for the Matt Macolgan fight proved to be one of the best fights of the weight class. Early in the round, Wilkerson went down, though it was unclear whether he slipped or was knocked down. Still, Wilkerson recovered to throw a massive right hand that floored McGree.

“I’ll remember is I throw a hook and he was down,” said Wilkerson. “Then I could hear the crowd.

In the end, the left-handed McGree managed to land more punches in a unanimous decision, though Wilkerson finished strong.

Vince “The Italian Meatball” Gennaro stepped in with Andrew “The Atomic” Baum to open the class. The first round was dead even, and it was not until the second round that Gennaro started to dominate.

Gennaro continued his control of the fight in the third and was rewarded with a unanimous decision. Enormous crowd support could not power Michael “Pearlbeads” Kwiat past Mike “The Milita Man” Melby.

Kwiat managed to hold off Melby’s charges for only the first round. The fight had to be stopped after a session of Melby pounding Kwiat on the ropes in the second round. The fight was stopped again in the third round to route to Melby’s unanimous decision.

Patrick “El Chipotle” Hobbins, younger brother of boxing captain Brian Hobbins, was an unexpected contender in the tournament’s winning ways by taking a split decision over Brian Feller.

Both boxers landed big punches throughout the fight, and neither fighter quit. Hobbins did bloody Feller early in the match, and Feller had to be cleaned multiple times.

Mike “The Alaskan Assassin” Fink fought Jeff “The Be” Ream in the last bout of the 160s. Ream bloodied Fink in the second and remained solid until the final bell after a rough first round. Ream secured a unanimous decision to continue to the quarterfinals. 
Upper weights fight relentlessly into wee hours of morning

**Defending champions advance to quarterfinals**

By KATHLEEN O'BRIEN

175-lb. Bob "A.M.D.G." Joyce took the first step towards retaining a title when he knocked out rival Keith Arnold of St. John Thursday night, winning a unanimous decision over Ryan "The White Hood" Havezence, but he knows he's got a long way to go. First, the bespattered boxer will have to weather Matt "The Rocky Mountain Avalanche" Padilla's attack Monday in the quarterfinals. If he can do that, the Scot has his sights set on winning a second match just to score a spot in the finals, where he would likely meet another champion and defending champ in Mark "I'm So Pretty" Criniti.

The most fearsome foe? "I'm not afraid of anybody," Joyce said. "He's another captain. He's a southpaw and he's tough." Joyce's strategy is a match-up is a week away. Joyce, whose nickname is "Pretty," was chosen for a Latin phrase which means "For the greater glory of God," advanced to the second round with an aggressive but well-timed attack that rose to a crescendo at the end of round three.

"He (Havezence) is more of arawler, a real kissud. Joyce said. "I expect the next fights to be more of the same style." Criniti cracked out a unanimous decision win over Matt "The Booster" Knust to keep Joyce's hopes for a championship alive.

Criniti came out quick and powerful, as the Kung Fu junior added more punches to his parade of fast-punching freshman opponent.

"I was in trouble in the first round, knocked back into the ropes by a left hook, but was able to pin him down," the graduation-bound St. Johner said. "I've got a lot of power in my punches and I'm looking forward to my next opponent." knust followed a repeated strategy of going against his opponent fast and furiously, then loosening up before things got ugly.

165-lbs. Patrick "The Gov't" Dillon laid down the law on Louis "The Mac" Macaulay in a unanimous decision. The Boston College product was unstoppable in the 165-pound weight class, taking the early offensive.

"The Sauce" McDonnell stayed away from the jabs andagility, beating Tim "The Rooster" Knust with a close split decision victory. 

In round three, Camardo came back, staining Clay into one side, but Clay answered with crushing blows to the face.

Round three was also a tight one. Matt Padilla was armed with a power hit, but Quinn responded by knocking Arnold to his knee. The junior helped Arnold, who angled in on the grad student from Ireland to take the bout. Dan Bingemann, a senior, had experience on his side, but the outmatched freshman Joshua Hill.

Bingemann led the dance the third round, after hitting Arnold with the right leader, but his role of taking the punches didn't win him any points, as Schaeffer won a unanimous decision.

Neil "Superstar" John Lynx, buoyed by a boisterous bunch of Mardi Gras revelers, beat John "The Valpo Vigilante" Balich in a brawl, staving off defeat. Just 34 seconds into the first round, Lynx leapt into the corner of his opponent's ring and knocked Balich on the floor.

"I think I won more points," Lynx said. "But my role of taking the punches didn't win him any points, so I won the round." Lynx won by a unanimous decision.

"I had more diversity than J.P. did as far as throwing hooks and jabs," said. "J.P., he's a strong fighter. He's gotten stronger since we stopped, and he surprised me." Camardo and Coose opened with quick hits, but even from the nose hold held the edge. He clung to that through the first two rounds.

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With a series of decisive second round hooks and jabs, John "You Want Some" Moore, a senior, knocked out Alumni Dawg John "The Miz" Wahoskie in a unanimous decision.

Jared "Hairy" Beres couldn't get away from the relentless Chris Donovan as Donovan took control of all three rounds.

Light Heavyweight

The tried judges of the Bengal Bouts were given a wake-up call as the first light heavyweight fight almost couldn't be contained in the ring. Bub "Kennedy, Kennedy" Kennedy sent Patrick "The Great White Hope" O'teawee reitering to stay off the judges' tables twice in the third round, following two rounds of uppercuts and hooks that made O'teawee stagger. The lightweight champion won unanimously.

Mike "Raging Bull" VanderPole brought James "Strength and Honor" Criniti to his knees in an easy and unanimous victory.

There were no Heavyweight Division bouts on Thursday because they were all byes.

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HEAVYWEIGHT CLASS

There were no fights in the Heavyweight class.
Hockey

Irish sit in driver’s seat for final CCHA spot; will play Alaska

By MATT ORENCHUK
Sports Writer

There are two types of teams when it comes to making a postseason tournament in any sport — those who control their own destiny, and those that need help. Until very recently, the Notre Dame hockey team was the in the latter category. The Irish were in last place, and those that need help. Notre Dame was in last place, and their chances of making the CCHA playoffs were in serious doubt.

Then came a weekend sweep of Bowling Green and an unlikely tie at No. 5 Michigan. All of the sudden the Irish control their own destiny in the race for the final CCHA playoff spot.

“We don’t have to sit and watch,” Irish coach Dave Poulin said. “We can go out and control our own fate.”

Poulin doesn’t think that is very exciting, but realizes that his team has no choice but to go up there. Because Alaska is so far away, the Irish is a four-hour flight. With only two more weekends of hockey to play, the Irish know exactly what they have to do.

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No. 6 Irish tennis squad looks for best start in 5 years

By STEVE KEPEL
Sports Writer

When Michelle Dasso broke the all-time singles victory record last weekend, she didn’t even know it. The senior All-American was too concerned with beating then-No. 7 Pepperdine.

Led by Dasso’s victory at No. 1 singles, the 123rd of her career, Notre Dame paced to a 6-1 win over Pepperdine. The Intercollegiate Tennis Association rewarded Notre Dame by moving them from No. 11 to No. 6, matching their highest ranking ever.

"It was really exciting," she said. "It was rewarding to see everyone pull together (against Pepperdine). It was great for our confidence."

Entering this weekend’s tournament in Kansas, the Irish, at 7-2, are off to one of the best starts in their history. In fact, if the Irish win all three matches this weekend against Kansas State, BYU and Kansas, they will match their best start since they went 17-2 in 1995-96.

Last weekend’s tournament was highlighted by Dasso’s singles victory over Pepperdine’s Ipek Sengolu. Dasso, currently ranked No. 2 in the nation, broke Kelly Zalinski’s career singles victory record set last year.

However, the senior didn’t even realize she had the record until later last month.

"I thought about it last week at Oklahoma State, but in the Pepperdine quarter, it really didn’t cross my mind once," Dasso said. "I didn’t realize it until the next day."

Breaking the record was even sweeter for Dasso considering her parents were in attendance.

This weekend, the Irish have a slightly easier slate of teams to play, but Dasso knows the pressure is still there.

"I think we definitely should win all three matches," Dasso said. "Now that we are ranked No. 6, we have to step it up even further and stay focused."

They hope to jump out to an early lead by winning the doubles match. Dasso believes that winning these early contests gives the Irish a huge advantage. Last week against Pepperdine, the Irish swept all three doubles matches, highlighted by Dasso and doubles partner Becky Yanum’s upset over the No. 1-ranked team of Senoglu and Paola Palencia.

"It just makes the whole match that much easier when you start off with a point," she said.

Notre Dame’s win over Pepperdine was the second time this month the Irish beat a top 10 team. But they know that they can’t afford to get complacent.

"Now we can’t take anyone lightly," Dasso said. "We can’t let up and we need to keep practicing and stay focused."

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Sports writer Andrew Soukap contributed to this report.

By KATHLEEN O’BRIEN
Associate Sport Editor

After nosing past the Big East’s top-rated Boston College team Wednesday, outdoing Virginia Tech — the team at the bottom of the barrel — should be simple for No. 18 Notre Dame.

The Irish (18-6, 10-3 Big East) aren’t looking at the standings, however. They’re more concerned with another notation, the one that reads: game site — Cassell Coliseum in Blacksburg, Va.

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Irish face Hoyas on Senior Day

By NOAH AMSTADTER
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On Saturday afternoon, Irish fans will have a chance to say goodbye. The 1 p.m. matchup with Big East rival Georgetown marks the regular season’s final home game for the Irish players will be honored for Senior Day.

Festivities throughout the day will honor Ruth Riley, Niele Ivey, Meaghan Leahy, Kelley Siemon and Imani Dunbar.

Tradition dictates that each of the seniors will start — the five seniors consist of two guards in Dunbar and Ivey, two forwards in Siemon and Leahy and center Riley — but head coach Muffet McGraw is unsure if she will replace normal starters Alicia Ratay and Ericka Haney with Leahy and Dunbar, who normally come off the bench.

"It’s been a tradition that we have used in the past, but that’s not set in stone right now," said Irish coach Muffet McGraw. "With five of them, it’s a little bit different than we normally play."

The game has been sold out since Feb. 9. Only 500 seats are reserved for students, so the packed house should mark only the second capacity crowd for an Irish women’s game ever. A crowd of 11,418 fans attended Notre Dame’s upset of No. 1 Connecticut on Jan. 15.

"It’s just great to know how many people appreciate the effort and hard work they’ve put in for the last four years," McGrwo said. "It’s a chance to see them in their last home game."

The Irish are coming off an 81-43 assault of the Miami Hurricanes at the Joyce Center on Friday night. Center Ruth Riley led the Irish, scoring 20 po

nts while pulling down a team-high eight rebounds in only 25 minutes.

Freshman guard Jeneke

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