Holy Cross community mourns sudden death

By ERIN PIROTEK

While snow swirled outside Holy Cross Chapel, Jenny Nemeth's friends and family remembered how she loved spring.

Her friend Katia Egan, a sophomore at Notre Dame, said Jenny eagerly looked forward to weather warm enough so that she could wear sun dresses.

Jenny died last Friday. The funeral Mass is today at 3:30 p.m. at the Basilica of the Sacred Heart on the Notre Dame campus.

"She hated gloomy days," said Jenny's sister Stephanie Nemeth, a junior at Notre Dame.

"In high school, I was never known as Stephanie, but as one of the Nemeth twins," said Stephanie.

Jenny's priorities were simple. "FAMILY was first to Jenny and her friends were very important to her," said Josh.

Jenny's goal was to unite her family, according to her twin sister Stephanie Nemeth. Jenny was a peacemaker who would try to find the solution for any problem.

"We have the same heart, but hers was so much bigger than mine," said Josh.

Jenny's sudden death shocked her friends and family.

"We just keep asking why and we know we're never going to get the answer," said Jenny's friend Egan.

Stephanie said Jenny had told her on Monday and Tuesday nights, although she was busy preparing for midterm finals.

"We got to talk. I feel very fortunate to be able to have spent that time with her," said Egan.

The campaign's deadline in December of 2000 far exceeded the original goal of $767 million, according to Susan Brandt, executive director of student financial aid.

Of the total amount raised, an estimated $268 million will go to student financial aid in the form of undergraduate, merit, and law scholarships, as well as graduate fellowships. International students are also included.

"Right now our financial aid policy is reflecting that we are meeting the full demonstrated financial need of all our undergraduate students." said Susan Brandt.

Financial aid prospects are looking up for current and prospective students at Notre Dame. The record-breaking Generations campaign, a three-year fundraising event, has made great strides toward enhancing financial aid as well as other initiatives that include funding for faculty chairs and facility improvements.

The campaign's deadline in December of 2000 far exceeded the original goal of $767 million with the final total reaching a Notre Dame and Catholic university record of $1.061 billion. The campaign is sure to change the face of financial aid according to Susan Brandt, executive director of development.

"It will continue to impact the affordability of a Notre Dame education," said Brandt.

The main goal of the campaign, said Joseph Russo, director of financial aid, is to make Notre Dame more affordable for prospective students.

"It was the single largest component in the campaign," said Russo. "It clearly will help us provide an opportunity more so than ever for students who have been admitted and who have a need to come here and because we know can provide resources to make it more affordable than ever in our history."
INSIDE COLUMN

Art appreciation

I'm done. Today I finished my senior thesis. The prints have been made, the frames have been ordered, the artist statement has been written. Four and a half past four years in college I have worked toward today. I should feel this huge sense of accomplishment, I have an overwhelming sense of loss. The show doesn't go up in the Studio until April but my work is done. I have made my last image; for now anyway.

Being one of only four photography majors in the class of 2001 I have received an education much different than most people at Notre Dame. Sitting through five three-hour classes twice a week each is common practice; an hour and 15 minute class would be a holiday. Late nights are given a new meaning in Riley Hall (that's the big building next to Nieuwland). There have been many days when I've shown up to class in the same clothes as the night before simply because I spent the night in the darkroom. My hands are always dirty. Getting dressed up for class means wearing clean jeans. I got to take a four-week class in Taos, NM and photograph the landscape of the West. I get to take field trips to Chicago to spend hours in the Art Institute (Ferriss Bueller style). In order to get my degree I've taken everything from sculpture to graphic design back to photography. There are 22 required classes to get a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree (as compared to eight for history or 10 for English), yet I, I've rarely ever had a Friday class.

The faculty to student ratio is 2:1, that is two professors for the four of us lucky photographers. I've had an amazing education, maybe not conventional, but still amazing. Riley has been my home away from home; my roommates always know where to find me.

So now that I'm done with my thesis, I guess I don't know what to do with myself. It's all too final. This means I really have to grow up. I have to get a job just like the rest of the graduating seniors not continuing on to an even higher education. I have to find a new place in the world that likes my art. Funny — I just got comfortable in this place.

I took too much of it for granted; I can look back and say that without a doubt. Every time I think about how I complained about the long hours and the work or the amount of class work or the money I spent just to get one perfect print I think how silly I must have sounded. All that time I was doing exactly what I loved.

I can't credit to do what I love to do. How many people can say that after four years of college? And now I am done. I am getting a diploma for the kids and the Zantops in the club on the same day.

HANOVER, N.H. Prosecutors still haven't said, and may not even know, what linked the Half and Suzanne Zantop to their accused killers.

But yet another theory emerged over the weekend: that they somehow crossed paths at the River Valley Club, a Lebanon health club where the Zantops were members and where the two suspects were present on at least one October day.

Though The Boston Globe reported that investigators have been intrigued enough to subpoena the club's records, the club's lawyer, Ned Whittington, said Sunday that they were likely to reach a dead end. He confirmed that the two suspects were present at the River Valley Club for a special one-day visit on Oct. 3, but he said the Zantops were not at the gym on that day, according to club records.

The Zantops were not in either the third or the fourth or the day after, he said. "This just doesn't put the Zantops in the club on the same day."

He acknowledged that is possible that the club records are not accurate. But he said the likelihood of the couple meeting up with their accused killers, Robert Tulloch and James Pappas, at the 300-member club was slim.

He said it was just as likely that they would potentially have crossed paths while shopping at K-Mart on the same day.

What does seem clear is that the Zantops and the boys shared a common interest in rock-climbing. The boys signed a waiver so that they could climb the synthetic rock wall inside the club. Half Zantop was an avid climber until a near-fatal climbing accident in 1965.

NOTE: The last paragraph above is an excerpt from the Associated Press story "Zantops may have met suspects prior to murders" from The Observer Tuesday, March 6, 2001.

OUTSIDE THE DOME

PROS May have met suspects prior to murders

TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY

Student crowned Miss USA

ANGELINA, Texas -- Kandace Krueger, a 24-year-old senior journalism major at Texas A&M University, was crowned Miss USA Friday night, becoming the eighth Lone Star delegate and second Texas A&M student to win the title.

"The whole night is a big blur," Krueger said. "It is going to be an incredible experience." Krueger won the competition of the University lie outside the scope of bargaining, according to labor relations agreements.

NEW YORK UNIVERSITY

University negotiates with G.A.'s

NEW YORK

New York University has agreed to begin collective bargaining sessions with a union of graduate assistants, the first such negotiations at any private non-profit college in New York State.

NYU officials announced their decision to bargain with United Auto Workers (UAW) Local 2210 Thursday afternoon, only hours before union members were to begin a strike authorization vote. Had a strike gone into effect, as by union members, UAW leadership would have had the power to call one at any time, effectively crippling the many University programs that use GAs as teaching and research assistants. In a letter of agreement signed by NYU Associate General Counsel and Deputy Director of Labor Relations Terrance Nolan and UAW officials, both sides agreed that "[t]he UAW recognizes that certain issues involving the academic mission of the University lie outside the scope of bargaining as defined by the National Labor Relations Act."
Lack of faculty support eliminates possibility of study day

By COLLEEN McARThy
Associate News Editor

The Board of Governance learned Monday that a lack of support from academic departments has most likely eliminated the possibility of study days for Saint Mary's students.

The Academic Standards committee sent a survey to the chairpersons of each academic department to ask for feedback on the study day proposal, Kelly Dugan, student representative to the committee said. Of the 18 departments that responded to the survey, 13 opposed adding study days to the academic calendar.

"There was a lot of very strong opposition to it and those who were in favor of the proposal were like 'I guess we would do it,'" Dugan said.

The survey asked the academic departments to evaluate several areas of concern including student workload before exams, opinions regarding the proposed study day and ideas for counteracting the stress students feel in the week before exams. While the surveys indicated the faculty recognize that students have a large workload in the week leading up to exams and a lot of stress, they do not feel a study day will remedy the problem, said Dugan.

"They don't think the study day will be beneficial to us," said Dugan. "What you really have is a difference of opinion between students and faculty as to what is going to be more helpful to us."

Dugan said faculty members on the committee believe one reason many faculty members oppose study days is that the professors themselves need a break to better prepare students for exams in a class period rather than giving students the day off.

SUSAN Vanek, director of first year studies, chairs the committee.

Dugan and SAC chairperson Michelle Nagle, who also sits on the committee, said they doubted the committee would pass the proposal without the support of faculty.

"If 13 departments are saying this is not a good idea, it won't happen," said Dugan. "They obviously don't think it is a good idea. And professors are very concerned about losing another three days."

Dugan said the committee was supportive and recognized that the workload students receive the week before exams was not addressed.

Suggestions included gathering sample test schedules from students and syllabi from faculty to examine what an average student workload is like towards the end of the semester. Also suggested was recommending that the committee put out new material in the last week before exams that would be included on the exam.

Nagle, who is also student body president, agreed adding a study day might help her vice president elect, Kristin Madia, will continue the fight.

"Even with those results, I won't say this is over," said Nagle. "We're going to keep being called an integral part of the communication throughout this process. We're just going to have to take it to the next level." 

In other news: Admissions commissioner Stephanie Redwanski said she had been in communication with the Admissions office regarding the article in "Cosmopolitan" about the sexual assault of a Saint Mary's student and the College's response. With Acceptance Day coming up, campus approaching on March 25, students may be approached by visitors regarding their response to the article.

Admissions office said that if we are approached by anyone, we should just tell them what we feel about the article and be honest," said Redwanski. "They said there is no set response regarding the article."

Preacher named sexual assault student advocate

By KATE NAGENGAST
Assistant News Editor

As part of continuing efforts to improve campus-wide support for sexual assault victims, the University appointed Ava Preacher as the University's first person resource person for victims of sexual assault.

Preacher, the assistant dean for undergraduate studies in the College of Arts and Letters, has been involved with some of the issues surrounding sexual assault though her experience as director of gender studies from 1990-91, her membership on the University Committee on Women Faculty and Students and her position as a faculty advisor for the Campus Alliance for Rape Elimination (CARE).

In March, she began her office in O'Shaughnessy Hall.

Preacher is the University's new resource person for victims of sexual assault, including: the creation of an advisory group to examine and review concerns for both the Notre Dame and Saint Mary's campuses; the publication of two brochures for better dissemination of information regarding du Lac policy and support services; and the creation of a support network for du Lac specifically outlining the processes, procedures and services that apply when a sexual assault is reported to the University or the South Bend Police Department. The aim is to advise victims about an appropriate decision, but to provide information, said Preacher.

"I don't have a direct connection with students," said Preacher. "I'm in an academic office and all I get from (Student Affairs) is information so I'm truly an impartial advocate for the students."

Although the University has been in the process of reforming campus-wide sexual assault policies since last spring and announced official changes last October, an article about a Saint Mary's student allegedly raped by a Notre Dame student published in the March issue of Cosmopolitan Magazine rehashed much of the controversy.

Preacher's appointment two weeks after the publication of the article, however, was unrelated, said both Preacher and Dennis Moore, director of public relations for Notre Dame.

"(Ava Preacher's appointment) was planned long before that article even existed," said Moore. "The person who wrote the article had a long interview with Bill Kirk about all the new resources we offer, but chose not to include that information in this article. This appointment has nothing to do with that, and as far as we're concerned that article has no credibility whatsoever."

Preacher said, "I don't think (Cosmopolitan's) article will affect my attitude. I already knew about that case ... and I think I've known for a long time that Notre Dame needed to take tough policies." Besides Preacher's appointment, there are several other steps the University is taking to better assist victims of sexual assault, including: the creation of an advisory group to examine and review concerns for both the Notre Dame and Saint Mary's campuses; the publication of two brochures for better dissemination of information regarding du Lac policy and support services; and the creation of a support network for du Lac specifically outlining exemption from certain policy violations such as partaking in the case of a sexual assault.

"I think things are going well I would eventually eliminate my own job," said Preacher without sexual assault policy and support services. But for now, Preacher's position is unrelated, said both Preacher and Dennis Moore, the vice president for public relations for Notre Dame.

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From the hard work put into the Generation campaign and also the very generous donations made to the University, said Brandt.
Reagan agreed that Generations is already beginning to make its mark on the current student body at Notre Dame.
"I think the fact that the University is already meeting the demonstrated need of our students is an indication of it having an impact," said Reagan.
Even with the exceptional amount raised for financial aid, Reagan said efforts to continue to raise money would not stop there. While encouraged with the money raised, Reagan and other University officials are far from satisfied.
"Financial aid will be a priority for some time to come. We're happy with the progress that we've made, but we're definitely not satisfied with where we are," said Reagan.
Generations is already beginning to have an impact, said Russo.
The current University cohort default rate is 6 percent. This means that out of the 47 percent of seniors on both Stafford and Perkins loans, less than one percent of them are unable to begin paying back the loans. While the percentage is remarkably low, Brandt said that the University remains concerned with the necessity of some students taking out and then continuously paying loans.
"It's definitely a University goal to monitor student educational indebtedness, and anything that we can do at the University to help offset student loans is definitely a goal," said Brandt.
With 74 percent of alumni participating in the Generations campaign, the next goal of eliminating loans may seem feasible. With a strong alumni base to build on, gifts to the University may continue to exceed goals and set new ones.
"The greater Notre Dame community which includes alumni, but also many benefactors, and just people in general who love Notre Dame — it's a great sign that we obviously have a very high quality experience here," said Russo.
According to a survey administered by the alumni association, nearly 90 percent of Notre Dame graduates said that they had a satisfactory experience.
Comparing to other universities, this rate is not only exceptionally high, but it is instrumental to the continued success of fundraising projects.
Eliminating future debt
The University has set two main goals for financial aid according to Reagan. The first was to meet the demonstrated need of every Notre Dame student, and Generations has already reached and achieved that goal, said Reagan.
Since most students who are on aid, have two loans, Reagan said that initially eliminating the cost of one of the loans and then eventually both, is the second goal of the University.
"Our next goal is to raise enough endowment money to eliminate that first loan and then if we can keep the momentum going, eliminate that second loan as well," said Reagan.
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Jenny had a great talent for listening. "For most of my life, I talked and she listened," said Stephanie. "I was always accepted for who I was," said Jenny. Jenny also had a special relationship with her two nieces. She loved to play Legos and Super Mario Kart with Josh's 4-year-old daughter Morgan. "Jenny would run up her charge cards, just so she could buy Morgan everything," he said. Stephanie had planned to have Jenny be the godmother for her infant daughter Madison. According to Stephanie, Jenny was the only one who could consistently make Madison smile.
"Jenny's own grin was well-loved by her family," said Josh. "When she walked into a room it just lit up. Jenny smiled often when thinking about a planned spring break trip to Disney World. "She wanted to see it again through Morgan's eyes," said Paula.
Even though she was looking forward to the trip, however, Jenny had a great talent for putting others first. "I was proud of who she was, that she had her own set of standards, that she had common sense," said Paul.
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Crews in motorboats strung cables across the fast-flowing Douro River while divers attached to the cables searched the murky brown water for the double-decker bus.

VIOLENCE FLARES IN MACEDONIA:

Guerrillas and Macedonian troops exchanged fire Monday in a mountainous border area not far from where U.S. peacekeepers were stepping up patrols in Kosovo to stem an ethnic Albanian insurgency. Gun and mortar fire rang out Monday in the hills near Tanusevci, 20 miles north of Macedonia's capital, Skopje.

NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

Weather hampers recovery effort: Military crews pulled the data and voice recorders from the wreckage of a National Guardsman's remains. Rescue teams have waded through the swollen river after a bridge collapsed beneath them. Crews in motorboats strung cables across the fast-flowing Douro River while divers attached to the cables searched the murky brown water for the double-decker bus.

Iditarod officially begins: Three-time Iditarod winner Jeff King was the first musher out of the chute in Willow, Alaska, Sunday morning, setting off in the 1,000-mile race that pits 68 dog teams against the elements and each other. The start of the race was moved here after the ceremonial opening of the contest Saturday in Anchorage because of a lack of snow to the south. "They're definitely fast," King said of his team as he gave each dog a reassuring hug before setting off.

INDIANA NEWS BRIEFS

House fire kills two: Two Campbellburg men died of smoke inhalation in a fire that leveled a residence Saturday afternoon. The Brown-Vernon Fire Department responded to a call that a residence was burning about 3 p.m., according to a dispatcher at the Washington County Sheriff's Department. Cecil Nicholson, 73, and his son Norman Nicholson, 38, were pronounced dead at the scene by Washington County Deputy Coroner Tony Floyd, the dispatcher said. The dispatcher said the residence was a total loss.

Student gunman kills 2, injures 13

Associated Press

SANTEE, Calif. - A 15-year-old freshman opened fire at his high school on Monday, killing two youths and wounding 13 other people, authorities said. One witness said the youth smiled as he fired.

One person was dead at the scene and 14 others were injured, San Diego Fire Department spokesman Jeff Fehlberg said. Later, a second victim died at Grossmont Hospital. It was the largest number of dead and wounded in a school shooting since the Columbine tragedy nearly two years ago.

Cheney has surgery to widen artery

WASHINGTON - Vice President Dick Cheney, who has had four heart attacks, underwent an angioplasty Monday for a partially blocked artery after going to a hospital with chest pains. The artery, which had been opened in late November, had partially reclosed, his cardiologist, Dr. Jonathan Reiner, told reporters.

He said there was no evidence that Cheney had suffered another heart attack.

Cheney, 60, suffered his most recent heart attack in late November but quickly resumed a full schedule after an operation to open the blocked artery. Reiner said he did not believe Cheney had suffered any additional heart damage.

Reiner checked himself into the hospital after feeling chest pain briefly on two occasions on Monday after earlier episodes on Saturday and Sunday, Reiner said.

He said the episodes were "much milder and very brief" when compared with the chest pains that Cheney suffered in November. "The symptoms were subtle" this time, Reiner said.

Doctors inserted a flexible tube into the narrowed artery carrying a collapsed balloon.

Once the balloon was in place, it was inflated, reopening the artery. The procedure is called angioplasty.

Reiner said there was a 40 percent risk of narrowing of the artery.

During the procedure last November, one of Cheney's heart arteries was 90 percent blocked, so doctors implanted a wire scaffold-like device called a stent to push away the blockage and prop open the artery walls.
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Members debate academic freedom in University life

By JASON McFARLEY
Assistant News Editor

Campus Life Council (CLC) members on Monday debated a Faculty Senate-drafted resolution on student academic freedom and will likely reject two other measures at the body's next meeting. The Council voted 8-3 Monday to refuse the senate proposal which highlights a discrepancy between the academic freedom guaranteed to professors by the faculty handbook and measures at the CLC's next meeting.

To some degree, academic freedom extends beyond the classroom, but it doesn't apply to all areas of University life," said Brother Jerome Meyer, Knott Hall rector, Monday. Bill Kirk, who called the resolutions "flawed," at the last CLC meeting, reaffirmed his opposition to the proposals Monday.

"I can assure you that I will vigorously disagree with the passage of these resolutions," said Kirk, assistant vice president for student affairs. "I will continue to fight them within the CLC because I don't believe they have a chance of passing in the Office of Student Affairs."

Playing off concerns that the resolutions were a faculty attempt to jeopardize the Catholic character of the Notre Dame, Manier told members that the academic freedom the measures address does not contravene the moral mission of the University.

"Academic freedom doesn't apply to everything, but it certainly applies to groups like the philosophy club or the government club - organizations in which we should encourage the spirit of inquiry and advocacy," said Manier, whose senate committee drafted the resolutions.

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Office of Information Technologies

Don't come down with a virus...

Lately, many campus users have been hit by computer viruses. Notre Dame has been hit by serious virus attacks in the past (e.g., Chernobyl in the late 1990's) that caused students, faculty, and staff to lose valuable data. The best protection against a virus is prevention.

The OIT encourages users to protect themselves by:

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- Sign up for a Freshman, NDE or Senior Retreat
- Hang Out in the PLAN office
- Check out the Religious Ed. Library
- Eavesdrop on Choir Rehearsal
- Knock on the Intern's First-Ever Office Door

Stop by and check out our new place!

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This Wednesday....Take a Study Break

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Hit songs still available on Napster

♦ Bands unhappy
with new filtering technology

Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO

Napster Inc.'s new screening program Monday showed more than 96 million music files being traded by almost half a million people through computer servers located as far away as Italy, New Zealand and Russia — numbers that rivaled Napster itself even as downloads peaked this weekend.

"This truly pushes trading copyright music back to the underground," said P.J. McNealy, analyst who follows the digital music industry. "It has involved a significant investment of time and resources," the statement said. "However, we believe it is superior to shutting the service down and disabling the community during the transition period to the new membership-based service."

Howard King, attorney for Metallica and Dr. Dre., expressed frustration after speaking with Napster officials Monday. His clients have about 200 songs they want blocked, and many were still available. "They need to tweak their screen do some sort of a term-based analysis," said King, noting that Metallica's "Fade To Black" was still appearing on Napster, with various spellings using both letters and numbers. "If a week from now the results aren't better I think you would have to say it'd be dissatisfied."

The software being installed on Napster's servers will block access to 1 million music files, Boies said. Because it will filter out variations on each song's title and artist's name, the actual number of tunes screened out will be smaller, but officials refused to say how many distinct songs will be blocked.

Napster's plan is a preemptive move against an injunction sought by the major record labels, which argue copyright holders and artists are not compensated for music traded on the service. Napster has argued in court that the service does not store actual song files but rather direct people to other users' hard drives, where the music can be downloaded.

In July, U.S. District Judge Marilyn Hall Patel granted the industry's request for a preliminary injunction and ordered Napster shut down for facilitating infringement. But last month the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals stayed the order pending its decision in the case.

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Aaron Wecker, father

NEW YORK

The biological father of twin girls whose adoption over the Internet has created an international uproar said Monday that he had consented to giving up the children because he thought it would be best for them.

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Richard and Vickie Allen of Highland, Calif., say they began the process of adopting the babies when they paid a $6,000 fee to the Internet adoption service of Caring Heart, has denied the agency sells babies and said it is a legitimate adoption facilitator.

For now, British official say they are keeping custody of the twins until the legal picture is clarified.

Tranda Wecker has said she regretted giving up the girls and wants them back.

In the CBS interview, Aaron Wecker said he can take care of the girls because "I have a steady job, I have a house, a lot of room, a very nice, rural setting. I'd just like my girls back home with me. That's it. I think that's the best for them." He acknowledged he had had a drug problem but said it was over, adding: "A lot of people have a lot of problems."

A spokesman for Johnson's adoption agency, A Caring Heart, has denied the agency sells babies and said it is a legitimate adoption facilitator.

Aaron Wecker lives in the St. Louis suburb of Arnold. He has court actions pending in St. Louis and in Little Rock, Ark.

The Allens also had brought court action in Little Rock, trying to convince a judge to set aside the Kishkaws' adoption as fraudulent. But on Friday, Arkansas attorneys, Lynn Lisk and Ed Webb, said they wanted out of the custody case because molestation charges were filed against Richard Allen. The law firm's motion to withdraw was pending.

It was unclear whether the Allens would try to hire another attorney in Arkansas, their prior phone number in California had been disconnected. Lisk said that when he told the Allens that his firm was backing out, Richard Allen told him she believed the best place for the children would be with her natural father.
Should Notre Dame join the Worker Rights Consortium (WRC)? Both the arguments for and against doing so make compelling points. There are two rubrics, however, that I have not found very helpful. Let me say why.

The first is that of "leading versus following." One charge made is that while Notre Dame once was a leader, it now (because it has yet to join the WRC) is a follower. Joining the WRC, the argument goes, would re-assert Notre Dame's leadership. This rubric is problematic both on empirical and ethical grounds. Empirically, there are already over 70 schools in the WRC. Even if it is the right thing to do, joining does not constitute leading, but good following.

From an ethical perspective, whether Notre Dame leads or follows is besides the point. I think that in those instances where Notre Dame has led, it has been good leadership. The University has gone beyond the Fair Labor Association in three ways: it has refused to have its product made in countries, like China, where the freedom of association is not legally recognized; it has formed a regional committee for Latin America that will make full use of NGO's — including religiously affiliated associations — in monitoring; in its hosting of the College's Living Wage Association meeting, it has indicated an openness to the question of the living wage not shown yet in the FLA.

However, the merit of these actions rests not primarily with their leadership, but with whether they serve the well-being of workers. Also, the fact that joining the WRC constitutes following on Notre Dame's part should not be an argument against joining.

Philosophically, the other rubric is that of "bottom-up versus top-down." The charge has been made that Notre Dame, because of its association with the FLA is operating top-down (which is bad), while the WRC operates bottom-up (which is good). Translated, this means that the FLA associates with powerful, wealthy interests — most importantly, corporations — while the WRC is organized on behalf of those at the bottom — namely, the workers.

This rubric conveys much that is true. Corporate licensees are members of the FLA, but are not allowed to join the WRC. With some notable exceptions, corporations primarily function on behalf of their profit margins and shareholders. In other words, they function self-interestedly. Here, I am in line with neo-classical economics. Corporate claims to be internationally interested in the welfare of workers therefore ought to be viewed with healthy skepticism.

However, I have seen that while Notre Dame is a member of the FLA, the University is not beholden to the association's policies and has at several points gone beyond them. Moreover, there are aspects of the WRC that are unavoidably top-down. I say this not faulting the WRC, but in recognition of the fact that any time someone intervenes on behalf of another, there is some aspect of top-down activity — of the more powerful helping the less powerful.

Liberal theologians have run into this conundrum: the more one describes a person or group of persons as oppressed, the more external action is required in order to alter that situation. Of course, oppressed persons, by definition, have little or no agency. What happens, at least in interim, is that relatively better off persons and groups speak and act on behalf of the oppressed. The WRC is made up mostly of North American institutions of higher education and their students. It wants Notre Dame to join because the University is financially and publicly powerful. If "top-down versus bottom-up" is our only rubric, then the WRC is stands convicted because some top-down activity is unavoidable.

Catholic social teaching's principle of subsidiarity provides a better guideline. The basic insight of subsidiarity is that those persons and associations most directly interested in helping the less powerful are the best able to respond because they are most likely to have a fine-grained sense of the problem. However, the role of larger and more remote institutions is not to abandon the grassroots persons and associations, but rather to support them. (The Latin root of subsidiarity means "to support.") In extreme cases, more direct intervention may be necessary.

The questions for Notre Dame and the WRC, then, are what are the best modes of support and in what cases, if any, is direct intervention necessary. The argument in favor of the WRC is that its 71 schools can provide a broad base with which to support workers. This is an important consideration.

I have two concerns. First, the WRC's monitoring procedures are complaint-based, and thus offers no regular monitoring visits. The problem with being oppressed, however, is that one is often kept from speaking. Regular monitoring visits is a better form of support for workers who are often denied the voice necessary to lodge a complaint.

Second, the WRC's approach to monitoring information depends more on public exposure in instances of non-compliance, whereas Notre Dame stresses negotiated remediation of the problems more. The criticism of Notre Dame's approach is that one can bargain endlessly with little result and therefore no benefit to the workers. However, Notre Dame has shown that there are limits to its willingness to negotiate. It has, for instance, sent out letters to its more than 200 licensees that they are not to make Notre Dame products at the Teycon factory near Monterrey, Mexico, due to instances of noncompliance with the University's code of conduct and failure in remediation. Production in this factory is pending for termination of license contracts.

The Teycon case evidences that Notre Dame will disclose when the situation requires. I am concerned that too much quick disclosure will lead to plant closure or relocation — and therefore job loss for workers — whereas remediation would otherwise have been possible.

The decision concerning whether to join the WRC is not an easy one. Persons of good will and strong intellect can disagree. I look forward to learning from others in the Notre Dame community on this important matter.

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Celebrate the goddess within you

My friend Emily says she likes to work out because it gives her a chance to clear her head. Clear my head? I am too busy trying to keep my head attached to my body so that I can still walk at the last round of crunches and I do not make nutches. I have even overheard other people saying they like working out, because it is fun. Fun. Soccer is fun. Hockey is fun. Tennis is fun. The Stairmaster is the bane of my existence. I am climbing to nowhere for 25 minutes and when I get there, I am semi-permanently red faced and glowing like a neon sign. This goes back to the old saying that horses sweat, men perspire and ladies glow. I do not know who came up with that but I seriously question their case study, because you do not even want to see what I look like after a Step aerobics class!


And look great. And possibly do some serious damage to your mind-set.

Last week was Body Image Awareness Week. I will tell you that I am very aware of my body image. Sometimes it is good and sometimes it is not so good. It varies from day to day, month to month. I realize this and accept this. I accept the fact that I am not like some supermodel. My body does not look like that and probably never will. I was simply not built that way and most likely never will be, considering that I am not up for plastic surgery anytime soon. But again, I try to get some exercise, however “regular”, a habit, even if it is in two sports weeks or sporadi­cally in between those weeks. I do not try to be a sixth man model. I kind of like being myself.

I saw some sidewalk chalk graffit­ti last week that stated, “Celebrate the goddess within you!” (For all you guys, who mean the goddess within you and not Cosmo, not the treadmill and it sure as hell is not behind a Tan­Bo vintage.)

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DMB releases first studio album in three years

Electric guitars and a new pop-oriented attitude leave many fans weary of Dave’s latest

By GEOFFREY RAHIE
Scene Music Critic

The Dave Matthews Band has always been known as a laid-back, folk-rock, bluegrass musical ensemble led by the unusual acoustic guitar strumming of leader Dave Matthews. Early critics jumped all over the band’s freewheeling jam style and complained about the group’s tendency to be long-winded. Everyday, DMB’s first studio release in almost three years, throws all of those past reservations outside the window. The band decided to experiment on Everyday, and change up their typical rock/folk act. The album’s departure from precious DMB style can be attributed to Matthews’ new preference for electric guitar, Glen Ballard’s tight pop control, and the sparse use of vocalist Boyd Tinsley and saxophone man LeRoi Moore.

The changes create mixed results for Everyday. The album’s first guitar phrase is the first clue that Everyday is going to be different. The dirty electric guitar tone on “I Did It” is a far cry from vintage DMB and the sing-along chorus is more suited for TRL than a college dorm room. But at least the band is trying to branch out and change their sound. Life is all about taking chances, and the beginning of this record shows that this band is not backing down from making some adjustments.

“My Love” one of the higher points of the album, relies on Matthews’ funkiest guitar riff to date and Moore’s booming contra bass clarinet. The song builds up to a climax where Moore plays an appropriate sax solo, one of only two open instrumental solos in the album — the other honor belongs to Boyd Tinsley. The record’s first single, “Lover Two Souls,” is solely responsible for all of the track’s arrangements. In a nutshell, Ballard could have been handled by the rhythm section. The rhythm section could have been handled by the drummer and bassist from Hootie and the Blowfish for all we know. The bass parts are relatively simplistic, as per usual DMB, but the drumming is just sad. Ballard was known for putting his stamp on tunes such as “Two-Step,” but not a single track reveals his influence on Everyday.

For what it’s worth, Matthews really shows maturity on this record, both as a guitarist and vocalist. His guitar work on this album reveals influences ranging from the Police to James Taylor. He croons on some songs and applies a sinister inflection on others such as “What You Are.” The lyrics on the record are either beautiful or just cheese. The desperation in “Fool to Think” feels so real and the emotion in “The Space Between” really picks the record up. But for every beautiful lyric on this album, there is an equally stupid line. Some highlights include “Why do I beg like a child for your candy?” from the histrionic “Angel” and “Spread the love you got, you got the love” from “I Did It.” There are no captivating lyrical pieces on this disc as there were on previous releases — the take-charge attitude of “Lose It in Our Graves” or heartfelt love songs like “Crush.”

The bad thing about this album is that it is capable of so much more. Jerry Seinfeld always said it is best to leave the audience wanting more. Everyday definitely leaves the listener wanting more, but it’s hardly for the best. There’s no smooth transition between any two songs. Where before Dave Matthews seemed like an unmoored wanderer, Everyday is all disjointed. A wavy ending to “When the World Ends” is ruined by the immediate start of “The Space Between” for example. That’s not even mentioning the horrible order of tracks. “So Right,” a perfect opener candidate, is buried in the middle of the album while “Everyday” ends the album with a very confused feeling. The individual talents of these five men are not allowed to blossom. Perhaps the release should have been called The Dave Matthews and Glen Ballard Duets as it is the work of a band.

Despite all of its flaws, Everyday does a satisfactory job of delivering some good tunes. Sure this album is probably the band’s least inspired, but the experimentation is commendable.

Everyday proves that Matthews is in fact pretty compe­tent on guitar. The problem is we all know the other four guys are more than adequate on their respective instruments.

People can always go to bumb­-like Creed if they are simply looking for some easily for­gettable ear candy. The Dave Matthews Band is known for writing songs that really make you think. All good things must come to an end.

Under the strict command of producer Glen Ballard, Everyday, the latest release by the Dave Matthews Band, has taken a noticeable and surprising leap in the direction of pop.
Over-production ruins new MGB release

By SAM DERHEIM ER

The album starts off with a rumble... "K-i-c-k-a-s-s-s! That's the way we spell success!" Had the Matthew Good Band only stuck to this theme, Beautiful Midnight, the band's latest studio album and first U.S. release, might have been much better.

As it is, this two-time double platinum Canadian rock band has done little to make a name for itself in the States. Along the lines of its northern brethren, the band has done little to make a name for itself in the American market. The majority of its songs on Beautiful Midnight are, by the end of the album, everything just starts to sound the same. It's virtually impossible to tell "A Boy and His Machine Gun" from "Failing the Rorschach Test" from "The Future is X-Rated." With very few exceptions, the band is never allowed to truly cut loose of its tightly binding production chains and really rock.

The album is simply over-produced. "Deep 6ix," one of the few songs in which Good was attempting to create a song with real power and emotion, however with the strict pop limits apparently placed on his songwriting, the song ends up lost in itself, and is left completely void of any real potency it ever had.

"Hello Time Bomb," a bad song, it's just that it is not a particularly good one either, and in the extremely fickle world of rock 'n' roll, that therefore makes it a bad song. The track, like much of the album, is heavily influenced by former new-wave acts perhaps the overtly cynical "Jenni's Song," MGB proves little to back this claim up.

The majority of Beautiful Midnight is unfortunately better summed up in a track like "Born to Kill." It's obvious that MGB was attempting to create a song with real power and emotion, however with the strict pop limits apparently placed on his songwriting, the song ends up lost in itself, and is left completely void of any real potency it ever had.

The problem is, while "Giant" might not be remarkably original, it is at least a good song — the same can not be said of the majority of the rest of the album. It's not so much that the rest of the songs on Beautiful Midnight are bad, they just aren't particularly great or even memorable for any reason.

However, the fault here may not lie completely with the band. Beautiful Midnight is an exceptionally tight album. Nothing is out of place. Every song is clean and polished and every note precisely where it should be. The problem is, by the end of the album, everything just starts to sound the same. It's virtually impossible to tell "A Boy and His Machine Gun" from "Failing the Rorschach Test" from "The Future is X-Rated." With very few exceptions, the band is never allowed to truly cut loose of its tightly binding production chains and really rock.

The album is simply over-produced. "Deep 6ix," one of the few songs in which Good is able to really express his true rock identity is by far one of the stand-outs on Beautiful Midnight. Unlike almost every other track on the album, the guitar work is both creative and explosive, and the vocals are for once truly energetic and passionate. Where songs like "Load Me Up" are overly simplistic and little more than bland, "Deep 6ix" breaks from the mold and showcases the band's true ability to write quality rock music. Unfortunately, other than "Giant," "Deep 6ix" and perhaps the overly cynical "Jenni's Song," MGB provides little to back this claim up.

Though major stars in Canada, if the MGB wants to find equal success in America, it will have to write a much more creative and explosive album than Beautiful Midnight.

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BASEBALL

Irish return to South Bend after weekend split

By JEFF BALTRUZAK
Sports Writer

Weather wise, it’s a shame that a team goes down to Florida to play a tournament and has to come back to South Bend.

Notre Dame took their No. 10 ranking and five game winning streak on the road in the Devil Rays College Invitational in St. Petersburg. The Irish left the sun and came back to the snow having chalked up a win over Florida Atlantic University on Friday and a loss to South Florida on Saturday.

Sunday’s game against Western Michigan was ruined by rain.

“I think we were disappointed we couldn’t get a sweep of the weekend,” said Saturday’s starter Daniel Tamayo. “It’s a baseball thing — you have to lose sometime.”

All-American Aaron Heilman took the hill Friday against a some run support starting in would supply Heilman with against the senior Irish baseball thing — you have to change was my most effective pitch consistently.”

South Florida struck early, grabbing a 1-0 lead in the second when Daniel Boyd doubled and Ben Drewdys singled up the middle for the Bulls.

The game would stay at 1-0 for the next 4 1/2 innings. Notre Dame bunted their way to the Irish past South Florida on Saturday.

The Irish only mustered five hits against senior John Vigue, who threw just 95 pitches in a complete game.

“I used my curveball more that game than earlier games,” said Tamayo. “My change-up was my most effective pitch consistently.”

Heilman worked a full nine-inning shutout, striking out nine while leading the Irish to a 3-0 victory.

The middle of the order would supply Heilman with some run support starting in the fourth, manufacturing two runs on singles by centerfielder Steve Stanley and shortstop Aler Perzel, and RBI singles by catcher Paul O’Toole and leftfielder Kris Hillman.

Heilman would face his only jam of the game in the next inning, when Florida Atlantic put runners on first and third with no outs.

But Heilman kept the ball down in the zone as he did all day, and got Dean Devine of the Owls to hit into a double-play.

Heilman retired Rob Orton on a foul popup down the third base line to close out Florida Atlantic’s-at-bat.

The third Irish run would come by way of singles as well. Joe Thoman singled and was replaced in the on-deck circle by Ken Meyer then advanced Tamayo to third when his popup fell between Gagne and third baseman Ben Cook.

Thoman and a single by Myron Leslie scored Macaluso.

Mike Eylick singled home another run and the Irish found themselves down runs 3-1 with just six outs left.

Leslie sparked South Florida to three more runs in the ninth with a double.

Gagne (0-1) was charged with the loss, while Tamayo received a no-decision.

The Irish were able to bring just 31 batters to the plate in the loss, just four over the 27 minimum.

“Even though we were disappointed, we have a sense that we haven’t lost anything as a team,” said Tamayo.
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Women's Tennis

No. 5 Irish lose first game to Midwestern team since 1996

By STEVE KEPPEL
Sports Writer

The 5th ranked Notre Dame women's tennis team started off the weekend on a tough note Thursday with a 4-3 loss to 11th ranked Northwestern. This loss marks the first time the Irish have been defeated by a Midwest team since 1996. The win by the Wildcats is the first over the Irish in the past five years.

Despite winning the doubles point and the first two singles matches, the Irish struggled with the difficult conditions in Evanston and the Wildcats swept the final four singles matches, winning 4-3.

"It was a little disappointing because our goal was to beat all the Midwest teams," said Becky Varnum, who won in both doubles and singles.

"We knew we were going to have a battle and that it was going to be tight," said Varnum. "It was really hard to play there, it was really dark and there were a lot of problems with the court." But Varnum said the Irish should have overcome the conditions and the Wildcats.

"Being ranked fifth in the country we should have been able to deal with the conditions and do better and we will work on that in the future," said Varnum.

After the disappointing result in Evanston, the Irish traveled to Columbus to take on 21st ranked Ohio State. The Irish came out on a mission, first winning the doubles point with impressive victories at Nos. 1, 2, and 3 doubles. The seventh-ranked Irish pair of Michelle Dassoli and Varnum set the pace as they took down Kristy Dascoli and Monica Rincon 8-5 for the second time this season.

After the doubles point, the Irish won four singles matches in straight sets. The Irish were led by the play of third-ranked all-American Michelle Dassoli once again, as she defeated the 31st-ranked Dascoli for the second time that day. Freshman Caylan Leslie, along with Kimberly Guy and Lindsay Green, all won impressively in straight sets to clinch the win for the Irish.

The pressure of being a top-5 team and traveling nearly every weekend has been a mental and physical burden for the Irish.

"It's been really tough," said Varnum. "Ohio State was one of the last matches of the season and we knew we just had to buckle down and play hard.

The team proved to be a very solid and close group, and they use their friendships off the court to pull together and play well on the court.

"We have always been pretty tight," said Varnum, "but this year the camaraderie is really great, we all get along so well."

The Irish this year have seen some players really step up and contribute to the team but they have all progressed quite well as an entire group.

"Dassoli has been playing really well but Nina (Vaughan) and Lindsay (Green) have really stepped up and have had some really big wins at doubles for us, they are a new team and have really come a long way," said Varnum.

"One of the biggest things this year has been everyone's dedication. This year everyone is really dedicated and it is the little things individually as well as a team that are important to our success."

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a goal 3:09 into the period. The teams then played even hockey until a three-goal burst in a two-minute period made the score an embarrassing 7-1. Notre Dame got one back with 54 seconds left in the game when Sam Cerronli scored to make up the final score of 7-2. "It was a disappointing end to a disappointing year," said Poulin.
Notre Dame would not have been in their position on Saturday without winning on Friday night. The Irish went into Kalamazoo and defeated Western Michigan 5-4. Notre Dame was lead by junior David Inman, who had a goal and two assists in the winning effort. Captain Ryan Dolder scored the game-winning goal with 7:40 left in the third period. The abrupt end to the season hit the team extremely hard especially for the seniors. Notre Dame had made the CCHA play-offs each of the past three seasons. The current Notre Dame seniors were still in high school the last time the Irish were not a participant in the CCHA post-season.
Notre Dame was unbeaten in their last six games (4-0-2) entering Saturday's contest, and it appeared their late season surge would be enough to get them into the playoffs. But as the teams were skating off the ice, the score of the Dame's playoff hopes.

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NBA

Allen scores 23 in fourth for Bucks' win

The Heat won their third straight game and for the fifth time in six games, but it wasn't easy N or without casualties.
Jones, the cornerstone of a blockbuster trade with the Hornets last summer, dislocated his left shoulder in the second quarter and was taken off on a stretcher. His long-term prognosis won't be known until Tuesday.
Majorie, who scored a season-high 12 points, made a 3-pointer with the shot clock winding down and ambi cling to an 82-81 lead with 14.3 seconds left. The Pistons answered with a 3-pointer from Jerry Stackhouse with 7.1 seconds to go.
Tim Hardaway hit a pair of free throws with 6.0 seconds left to give Miami an 87-84 lead.
Stackhouse's shot at the buzzer, which would have counted for two points, rimmed out.
The Heat completed a four-game sweep of the season series, with two of the wins coming in overtime. It's Miami's first sweep of Detroit since 1996-97.
Stackhouse scored 32 points for Detroit, although he also committed a season-high 11 turnovers.
Corfus Williamson added 17 for the Pistons.
Utah 109, Atlanta 102
Karl Malone scored 30 points and John Stockton added 22 as the Utah Jazz beat Atlanta for their sixth straight win over the Hawks.
After Toni Kukoc made a 3-pointer to cut the Jazz's lead to three points with 2:05 remaining, Malone fed Donnell Marshall for a dunk 20 seconds later and then hit a 20-foot jumper from the left wing that made it 107-100 with 1:12 to go. Rookie Kenyon Martin led the Nets scored  the first pointer with the shot clock would have rimmed out. corked for two points, rimmed out.

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Sports journalists:
pushing it for a reason

I, like every other writer, usually use this column to give my oh so wonderful opinions on the world of sport. Everything from artificial turf to fans, man, have we got opinions and nothing to go with it. But today, I got into a reflective mood, and started thinking about us, the people who cover the sports.

And I think it's only fair to say that we, the sports reporters, sometimes get, how should I say it, irritating.

Take our questions, for example. After the men's basketball team lost 79-72 on Sunday against the Hoyas, someone asked coach Mike Brey that since Troy Murphy gets so much attention from other reporters, sometimes get, how do you deal with that?

"Yeah, even though Troy's going to be an All-American for the sec­ond straight year, and is a finalist for every one, they still can't give it up. It's something in their blood that no one can explain."

The answer he gave, fittingly for every one, they still can't give it up. It's something in their blood that no one can explain.
Auriemma said on Thursday.

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**Major League Baseball**

**Atlanta Braves lay off 10 after merger**

Associated Press

Liz Gasca, a scout for more than 31 years, was among those losing his job. He had worked with the Braves since 1995 and was responsible for minor leagues in Indiana, Kentucky, Ohio and Michigan.

"While on assignment for spring training in Florida, I was suddenly and without warning terminated from my profession in the same I love," Martz said in a statement. "Naturally, it was a tremendous shock."

Martz had a traumatic experience for both him and his family.

The Braves also eliminated several part-time positions under orders from their newly expanded parent company.

General manager John Schuerholz insisted that his team, which has won nine straight division titles, wouldn't be hurt by the layoffs. But the moves were a surprise, given the team's reported spring training almost three weeks ago.

"The bad thing is the timing," Schuerholz said. "If it happens on the middle of the week, that would have been normal, standard baseball business without any unusual aspects. That's why we all feel bad.

The Braves began notifying employees of the layoff last week. Another scout losing his job was Brandon Hageman, who covered high school players in Connecticut, New York and New Jersey.

Schuerholz said some coaches also were laid off for short-season and rookie-league teams.

**NHL**

**Recchi scores two in Flyers’ win**

Associated Press

Mark Recchi scored twice, including the go-ahead goal on a power play with 5:17 left in the third period, to rally the Philadelphia Flyers to a 6-4 victory over the Boston Bruins on Monday night.

The win moved the Flyers into first place in the Atlantic Division, one point ahead of the New York Islanders.

Eric Desjardins, Dan McGillis, Rusten Pedersen and Keith Primeau also scored for the Flyers, who are 9-1-1 in their last 11 home games.

Recchi, who also had two assists, scored on a one-timer from the right circle after taking a pass from Desjardins. Primeau added an empty-netter with nine seconds left.

Desjardins scored a short-handed goal at 5:57 of the third period to tie it 4-4. He scored at the end of a 3-on-2 break with Keith Primeau and Recchi. Desjardins’ initial shot sailed high over the net, but bounced hard off the boards right back to his stick and he backhanded it past goaltender John Grahame.

Boston’s Joe Thornton scored two power-play goals within 56 seconds early in the second period to put the Bruins ahead 2-0.

Brian Rolston and Jason Allison also scored for the Bruins, who missed a chance to move ahead of Carolina in the battle for the final playoff spot in the Eastern Conference.

Boston dropped its sixth straight road game.

Philadelphia took a 3-2 lead after a wild first period when five goals were scored in an 8:23 span and the Flyers out-shot the Bruins 16-9.

McGillis started the scoring with his career-high 12th goal at 9:11 of the period, firing a slap shot through a screen from outside the right circle.

Bulston redirected a shot 1:10 later to tie it.

McGillis set up Recchi’s first goal to put Philadelphia ahead 2-1 at 13:11. He slapped the puck into the crease, and Recchi deflected past Grahame, who had won his previous three starts.

Allison pulled Boston even at 2-2 with his 300th NHL point at 17:08, scoring on a give-and-go with Sergei Samsonov. But Pedersen scored 26 seconds later.

Thornton scored his power-play goals early in the second period. His first came on a back-hander from the slot at 1:19. He scored again at 2:25.

Flyers goalie Roman Cechmanek, who has started every game since Bill Barber was appointed Flyers coach on Dec. 10, extended his home won-loss record to 13-2-2. It was his first career start against the Bruins.

**Islanders, Rangers 2**

Jason Blake and a goal by the Islanders made John Carkowski a goal and two assists as the New York Islanders spoiled Doug MacLean’s win as coach after Butch Goring was fired Sunday. The Islanders, outshot 42-34, are unbeaten in four trips to Madison Square Garden (3-0-1). The Rangers fell further out of the playoff race, trailing the final berth by 12 points with only 16 games left.

Blake started the Islanders’ three-goal spurt with a short-handed breakaway at 5:17. He skated around rookie goalie Vitali Yeremeyev to score his fourth goal.

Mukchak made it 3-0 just 31 seconds later, as he carried it in front of the net, and the puck slid through the crease to Dave Scottard, who got it back to Mukchak for his ninth goal.

Kolnik made it 4-0 at 6:42.

**Recchi scores two in Flyers’ win**

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**Belles get psyched for spring season**

It’s true it might be difficult to find a tennis court under the sun or a swimming pool or a softball field that would ever freeze to your palm if you tried to touch it. It’s true that the ice outside makes it detrimental to move at much of a snail’s pace. But — believe it or not — it’s spring sports season.

As most of us head home or to the warmer reaches of Florida or Cancun for a week of relaxation, our athletic teams are heading to warmer climes to practice. When they get back to Saint Mary’s they’ll be ready to play, but are you ready to watch?

Since it’s the beginning of another season, it’s time to watch athletics this season?

The softball team, weather permitting, will open its season on Wednesday and the track and tennis teams will open up their outdoor seasons after spring break.

So, why should you come out and watch athletics this season?

For one, the Saint Mary’s tennis team tied for second in the MIAA last year, with two conference champions in No. 1 singles and No. 2 doubles. The Belles will be returning to the court this season anxious for another shot at a No. 1 finish in the MIAA. A fast paced, action packed tennis match on a beautiful South Bend afternoon. If such an afternoon exists, it the perfect way to spend some after time.

But there’s more than that. Nothing motivates quite like fear of non-existence, and this season the track team is going to be running for its life — literally. With the knowledge that it will be dissolved next year, the Saint Mary’s track team will be looking to make its competition run this year. During the indoor season, team members have already broken several school records and participation is tripled.

And softball is back with a beautiful South Bend afternoon, if you believe it. It’s spring; another season, it’s time to watch over here at Saint Mary’s.

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**KISSIMMEE, Fla.**

Forced to cut costs after the NFL’s Winter Meetings, the Atlanta Braves laid off 10 employees in their scouting and player development departments.

Jim Martz, a scout for more than 31 years, was among those losing his job. He had worked with the Braves since 1995 and was responsible for minor leagues in Indiana, Kentucky, Ohio and Michigan.

"While on assignment for spring training in Florida, I was suddenly and without warning terminated from my profession in the same I love," Martz said in a statement. "Naturally, it was a tremendous shock."

The Braves also eliminated several part-time positions under orders from their newly expanded parent company.

General manager John Schuerholz insisted that his team, which has won nine straight division titles, wouldn’t be hurt by the layoffs. But the moves were a surprise, given the team’s reported spring training almost three weeks ago.

"The bad thing is the timing," Schuerholz said. "If it happens on the middle of the week, that would have been normal, standard baseball business without any unusual aspects. That’s why we all feel bad.

The Braves began notifying employees of the layoff last week. Another scout losing his job was Brandon Hageman, who covered high school players in Connecticut, New York and New Jersey.

Schuerholz said some coaches also were laid off for short-season and rookie-league teams.

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Seniors break school relay record at last meet

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Sports Writer

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Shay fails to qualify for NCAA championships in 3,000

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Ryan Shay came up a second short.

After taking the fall cross-country season off to recover from a summer of intense training in preparation for the 2000 U.S. Olympic Trials, Shay will be competing in only one event at this week's NCAA national championships after narrowly missing a berth in the 3,000-meter run at last weekend's Alex Wilson Invitational.

The senior All-American had already secured a spot in the indoor championships following his school-record 5,000-meter run at the Mevo Invitational. His 13:52.66 effort earlier this season earned him an automatic bid in the 3,000 meters. He was passed in the final time taken in the event nationally.

"That's what this meet was all about," Millar said. "Millar was especially pleased with the performances of his 400 runners.

Freshman James Bracken led the horde of Irish runners by finishing in a tie for fourth place with Eastern Illinois' Jerred Macklin. He ran a 48.18, and Millar feels the talented freshman can go even faster.

"I'm really excited to see what James can do for us outdoors," he said.

Many of the Notre Dame athletes in the 400-meter dash broke several significant personal barriers. Mike Mansour ran a personal-best 48.8 — the first time the junior broke the 49-second barrier. Meanwhile, a pair of freshmen ran under the 50-second barrier. Napoleon Suarez finished 11th in 49.56, while Nick Saracco was right behind him with a 49.8.

"Our 400 guys had a great weekend," Millar said. "I think it's important that they've gotten past some of those mental barriers right before the outdoor season."

Notre Dame got another strong mile performance from Patrick Conway, who ran a personal-best 4:06.89, good enough for third place. Teammate Sean Zanderson finished 12th in that event with a 4:12.51.

As they have all season long, the Irish did an outstanding job in the field events. In the high jump, Big East champion Andrew Cooper won the event with a jump of 6 feet, 8.75 inches.

Long jumper Tom Gilbert won the long jump with a leap of 22-11.75. Gilbert, who also took third in the 300 and sixth in the 60, led a group of four Notre Dame long jumpers. No other athletes outside of Notre Dame competed in the event.

In the 35-pound weight throw, the Irish placed second through sixth. Sophomore Brian Thorberg led the Irish by throwing 51-8.5. Springer Travis Davey also had a solid day. The senior placed third in the 60 with a time of 7:00 and took fifth in the 200 with a 22.01.

With the exception of Shay, who will compete this weekend at the NCAA Indoor National Championships, the Notre Dame track and field team will have three weeks off before they travel to Arizona State for their first outdoor meet of 2001 on March 30.

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Irish move on to UConn in finals with win over Virginia Tech

By NOAH AMSTADTER
Assistant Sports Editor

With nine minutes, 30 seconds remaining in Monday's 67-49 Big East Tournament semifinal win over Virginia Tech, Irish center Ruth Riley was fouled driving to the hoop.

Riley grinned as she approached the line. After connecting on the first, she pointed to the sky. She then connected on the second.

"You've got to laugh, I was thankful," Riley said. "I was thanking the Lord a little bit there for that free throw.

The senior played only 24 minutes, struggling with her shooting and committing four fouls. In Riley's absence, sophomore backup Amanda Barksdale stepped up her play for the second day in a row.

After blocking six shots in Sunday's quarterfinal win over Georgetown, Barksdale added seven more in Notre Dame's win over Virginia Tech.

"I thought Mandy had a lot more than three blocks," Irish coach Muffet McGraw said after the game. "She certainly distorted a lot of shots and fouled driving to the hoop."

Despite her offensive struggles, Riley was happy to see her teammates step up in her absence. She laughed the entire time she was at the free-throw line.

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Riley entered halftime scoreless. After blocking six shots in Sunday's quarterfinal win over Virginia Tech, Riley was fouled driving to the hoop.

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So although the Irish are ranked atop the latest national polls, McGraw referred to her team's regular season games.

"The failure to capitalize in the first period was the game," Irish coach Dave Poulin said. "I thought we played with a lot of confidence in the first period, but we didn't get it done."

Mike McGraw's daughter, senior Kelley Siemon, shown above, goes up for a shot in Notre Dame's 67-49 win over Virginia Tech.

Irish lose chance at CCHA

By MATT ORENCHUK
Sports Writer

Going into this weekend's series against Western Michigan, the Notre Dame hockey team held their own.

"The Irish have been down at times, but they were not to be for the Irish as they lost 2-0.

A sellout crowd showed up at the JACC on Saturday for senior night. While the crowd was enthused by the pregame ceremonies, the game proved to be a major disappointment for Notre Dame. Western Michigan capitalized on numerous Notre Dame penalties to defeat the Irish. Bowling Green beat Ferris State in other CCHA action. The Notre Dame loss coupled with the Bowling Green win propelled the Falcons into the final CCHA playoff spot, and left the Irish defensive line to contemplate their season.

In the first period of Saturday's game, the Irish could not capitalize on numerous scoring opportunities. Western Michigan took a 1-0 lead on a goal by Ryan Crane at the 12:48 mark of the period. Crane was able to slip a rebound past Irish goalie Jeremiah Kimento for the score.

"The stops were a little frustrating," Hobbins said, "but I'm glad Tom got to finish. He's a tough kid."