Holtz emphasizes dreams

By COLLEEN MCCARTHY
Associate News Editor

In 1966, long before his glory days as the head football coach at Notre Dame, Lou Holtz thought things couldn't get much worse. His wife was eight months pregnant and he had just learned he lost his job. With Holtz unemployed, his wife went to work and Holtz began to contemplate his next move.

The turning point came when his wife presented him with a book about the importance of having dreams that adviced you to write 100 or more down on paper. Holtz did just that.

"When you're unemployed, you have a lot of time to think about what you want to do," said Holtz. "By the time it was over, I had 107 things on my list from being on the 'Tonight Show' with Johnny Carson to running with the bulls in Pamplona. But when I showed my wife the list after she returned home from work she said that's great, but you still need to find a job."

Today, Holtz said he has accomplished 102 things on his list. In a speech on the keys to staying motivated and achieving success to a capacity crowd in the Mendoza College of Business Jordan Auditorium Thursday, Holtz emphasized the importance of having dreams and setting goals.

"Set your goals and dreams and when you wake up each morning and as you go through your day, ask yourself, what's important now?" said Holtz. After leaving Notre Dame, Holtz said he thought he would never coach again.

"Where do you go after coaching at Notre Dame?" said Holtz.

Holtz soon recognized what his lack of motivation was a result of being "tired of maintaining." Setting goals and continuing to dream was what brought Holtz back to coaching and he urged those in attendance to do the same in order to be continually motivated and to be successful.

"Everyone should set goals and standards and have dreams," said Holtz. "No one thought we could achieve what we did at South Carolina this season in our football program, but you can find a million ways to do things if you aren't just maintaining. It's when you get comfortable with where you are and just start to maintain that you lose..."
Ready to graduate?

One month until graduation, an event I’ve looked forward to for a long time. Some days I’ve thought about graduation with excitement — so many opportunities are out there just waiting for me to find them, and earning a degree from Notre Dame is something to be proud of. Other days graduation equals anxiety — the safety net vanishes after graduation, no more living off my parents. What if no one offers me a job? Some days, the thought of graduating makes me sad — leaving Notre Dame means leaving my friends, the Notre Dame family and everything Notre Dame has to offer. But now graduation isn’t this far-off day that you can barely imagine when you’re a kid and say, I want to be ______ when I grow up. Suddenly I’m thinking about being all grown up! Whoa!

As much as I at times was ready to be done with essays and exams, a whole lot more of me loves the charmed life I lead at Notre Dame. South Bend may not be as exciting as New York City, but I could do without the never-ending winters (snow flurries in mid-April?), but I really have everything I need here. I’m surrounded by great friends and great people who would drop anything for me in an emergency. We’re less likely to have to worry about house payments or health insurance. I couldn’t ask for a better mix of going out with friends, taking classes and working if you can call getting paid to attend sporting events and write about them work.

With everything so perfect, why would I want to leave?

Because it’s time to move on. As much as I love this place, I’ve had my four years. I may not have done everything I would have liked. I wish I spent more late nights talking with friends, I didn’t go to the Grotto enough years and memories to spare.

in a series of no-confidence votes passed by 10 University constituents. "There would be an expectation that under the circumstances currently upon us, multiple votes of no confidence, the entire board would have come forward and offer its resignation," said Sen. Virginia O’Leary. "I think this situation clearly calls for the resignation of every one of these members."

Many faculty members expressed concern that even if the board resigned, the governor would appoint equally dissatisfactory members.

Wayne Flynt, distinguished University professor, told Senate not to assume that the governor’s past appointments would be mirrored in new ones. "Don’t assume because the governor has done something one time, he’s going to do it another time," Flynt said. He alluded to the number of voters Gov. Siegelman would lose if he were to create such controversial appointments as he has previously.

HARVARD UNIVERSITY

Group stages sit-in for living wage

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. Nearly 50 members of the Progressive Student Labor Movement (PSLM) began a sit-in at Massachusetts Hall at 1:30 p.m. Wednesday, planning to remain indefinitely in the administrative building to demand a living wage of at least $10.25 per hour for all Harvard employees. PSLM members said their protest — strategized in part by linking arm while singing, “It’s easy to see how we’re concerned.”

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THIS WEEK IN ND/SMC HISTORY

Bookstore prices remain competitive

Thursday, April 22, 1982

The Notre Dame bookstore may not have had prices like K-Mart, but the prices were generally no higher and often less than prices charged at other college bookstores. The Observer surveyed schools such as Harvard and found that prices of items ranging from calculus books to toothpaste, while not always the lowest, were very close at prices to other schools.

Outside the Dome

Auburn senate calls for trustee resignation

AU BURN, Ala. After much debate and with amendments made, Auburn’s University Senate has passed a resolution calling for the resignation of the entire Board of Trustees. The resolution passed Tuesday during a special session of University Senate and calls for the assistance of the governor, faculty, students, staff, administration and alumni if the board does not expeditiously resign.

The board has compromised the reputation and integrity of Auburn, said Sen. Gary Mullin. "When a governing board loses confidence of those they represent, the honorable thing for them to do is resign." University Senate passed the first
University plans new hotel, larger law school

By SCOTT BRODFUEHRER
News Writer

As construction winds down on at least three campus buildings, the University is planning the next wave of construction projects, including a larger law school and a new hotel.

According to Father Timothy Scully, executive vice president, the current law school building is not adequate to achieve the University's goal of having a top-tier law school. "We have aspirations to be one of the finest law schools in the land. We are restless to be a top-25 school. We certainly have the faculty to achieve this goal, but we do have some space issues," Scully said. "Honesty, we probably need to double our space and upgrade our current facilities to build America's best law school."

Planning for the construction is already underway, and Scully expects more details about a new building, including location, in about three months.

Several other construction projects are already in progress or are planned to begin soon. The initiatives could leave the University unable to completely construct as early as it had hoped. The projects include the Marie Debartolo Performing Arts Center, additions to Stepan Chemistry Hall and the Houghburgh Center for International Studies, new housing for visiting faculty and a new interdisciplinary engineering facility, which has the same priority as the law school. "I would be very optimistic we can move forward on this project in the near future," Scully said.

The University's plans for a new hotel are of lesser importance than the law school, Scully said. "It will be a very beautiful and flagship hotel here at the University, with a sweeping and breathtaking view," he said.

Scully was unsure where the hotel would be located. He compared the locations of the new buildings to a big chess board, saying once the location for one building is decided, the rest will fall into place.

ComAir cancels all flights after Air Line Pilots declare strike

Special to the Observer

Due to a strike called by the Air Line Pilots Association, Comair has cancelled all of its flights through May 18, affecting those traveling to Notre Dame and Saint Mary's for Commencement Weekend.

Women find vocation in hearts

By MYRA McGRIFF
Saint Mary's Editor

A Sister of Saint Dominic used the giving example of Catherine of Siena to speak to the hearts of women to find their vocation and calling in a lecture at Saint Mary's Thursday. Mary Catherine Hilkbert delivered her lecture entitled "Speaking with Authority: Catherine of Siena and the Voices of Women Today" as part of the annual Madeleva Lecture in Spirituality.

Born into a family of 24 siblings, Catherine of Siena found her vocation at an early age as a person not only loyal to the church but also a believer in speaking the truth. Catherine of Siena made it her goal to bring all people to the word God; including the church, which she felt was corrupt. She made it her goal to speak the truth no matter what the consequences.

"She found that speaking the truth in love took discernment and courage," said Hilkbert. "She addressed the desperate need for church reform."

The courage of Catherine of Siena found to keep on through what Hilkbert described as criticism and rejection from church officials is what makes her example stand prominently for women today, according to Hilkbert.

Her example rests not only in taking care of the sick and the poor of Siena, but also calling the responsibility of the church to be members of truth. It is what Hilkbert thinks speaks to those women today that have had their voices taken away in ways that she names as poverty, domestic violence, lack of power, discrimination and dismissal of women's rights.

"Grace builds and expands on differences," said Hilkbert.

Using words Catherine of Siena believed God spoke directly to her through mystical prayer, she says women were meant to be a profession in the church to remember all the members of their congregation.

Hilkbert feels that only through her belief that she was called to "speak on her experiences of God," did Catherine continue to help the destitute and also open the eyes of the church. Hilkbert said Catherine of Siena wanted the church to remember all the members of their congregation. This inclusive attitude is what Hilkbert feels has motivated other women like Jean Donovan - a North American woman killed in El Salvador on Dec. 2, 1980 while working to right the injustices of the poor there - to take on bold causes and "claim their own voices."

In respect to her love for the truth, Hilkbert also spoke to the love Catherine of Siena had for the Christ. Saying that Catherine also used that love to channel herself deeper into her love for the church to right the truth to the point she said to be, "bathing in the wounds of Jesus."

"Her love for a broken world and church that lead to her deepest love for the church and for Christ," said Hilkbert.

Mums
actor & poet
will be performing slam poetry

Saturday, April 21
9:00 pm

Lafortune Ballroom
no tickets required
ND student wins Truman scholarship

By ERIN LaRUFFA

Eden Essex

This year, Eden Essex decided she wanted to become a criminal defense attorney someday.

The Notre Dame junior recently received some help in working toward that goal. The Harry S. Truman Scholarship Foundation recently named Essex as one of its 2001 Truman Scholars.

"I was pretty stunned. It took a couple of weeks to set in," said Essex, who plans to be a criminal defense attorney specializing in capital cases.

As a Truman Scholar, Essex will receive a $30,000 scholarship, most of which is earmarked for graduate study. "It's developed more since I've been here at Notre Dame," she said.

During her senior year, Essex has two jobs, one at the Smite Museum and one babysitting at University Village. She is majoring in government with a concentration in peace studies.

Essex received the scholarship after a competitive selection process. "The students are chosen from a national pool. It's a rigorous process," said Ava Preacher, assistant dean of the College of Arts and Letters.

Preacher helped Essex and other Notre Dame students apply for the scholarship this year.

"Eden is an amazing person," Preacher said. "It's very prestigious."

To apply, students must first fill out an application, which asks students to describe their extra curricular activities as well as their career plans. Fifteen Notre Dame juniors, the only class level eligible to apply, filled out the application this year, according to Preacher.

"It's a daunting process. You have to think about what you want to be doing in the next five years, the next 10 years," said Preacher.

Applicants must also write a public policy proposal as part of the initial process. For hers, Essex proposed increasing funds for indigent defendants.

She actually completed her application while studying in London during the full semester. Applicants hand their applications and policy proposals into a Notre Dame committee that selects some of the applicants to interview.

The committee nominates four of the students it interviews to compete nationally for the scholarship.

Essex was one of the students Notre Dame nominated this year, and she was then selected as a national finalist. The next step in the process for Essex was to be interviewed by a six-person panel, which included a U.S. district court judge. Shortly after her interview, University President Father Edward Malloy informed Essex that she had been named a Truman Scholar.

Essex is the first Notre Dame student since 1997 to win the Truman scholarship.

Preacher said she hopes that more Notre Dame students will apply for the scholarship in the future.

"We have lots of students like Eden on the campus that are truly remarkable and I wish they would all apply," Preacher said.

Preacher added that the Truman Foundation's commitment to public services "meshes well" with a similar dedication to service common among Notre Dame students.

In addition to receiving $30,000, Essex will also participate in a week-long session this summer with fellow Truman Scholars. The session will cover leadership and policy topics.

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motivation."

Among the keys that Holtz said he believes are essential to success are attitude, having a passion for what you do, understanding what it is you are trying to do, being a dreamer and recognizing that you can either be a person who lifts people up or pulls people down.

"What makes a person successful is if they have an attitude of 'I can do things,'" said Holtz. "If you have that attitude, anything is possible."

He attests that attitude as a major factor in his success and happiness throughout his career.

At one point in his career, Holtz signed a five-year contract with the New York Jets, but left after only eight months with the team.

"Everyone said that the job with the Jets was one of the best jobs in the United States, but I was miserable," said Holtz.

After the experience with the Jets, Holtz was offered a position as head coach for the University of Minnesota's football team, a job he said no one wanted and was turned down even by a man who didn't have any other job offers.

It's all the buzz

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**World News Briefs**

**Colombia rebels free hostages:** Colombia's second-largest guerrilla group freed 34 Colombians working at U.S.-run oil field, ending a three-day kidnapping; the rebels said the release was meant to protest government policies. The mass release came hours after the insurgents, the National Liberation Army, freed three Americans working for a Houston firm.

**Teen indicted in Dartmouth case:** Two Petersburg EMT's murdered: An arsonist set a dozen fires that threatened their Hanover home. An arraignment date was not immediately set. Prosecutors are trying to certify his co-defendant, James Parker, 16, as an adult before seeking an indictment against him.

**National News Briefs**

**Arsonist sets Fla. Gulf Coast fires:** An arsonist set a dozen fires that threatened homes on Florida's parched Gulf Coast on Thursday, further taxing firefighters who are trying to tame 5,000-acre wildfires. One home was destroyed and dozens of homes and vehicles were damaged by the arson fires that burned a total of 500 acres south of Tampa.

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**South Africa**

**Drug companies withdraw lawsuits**

**Associated Press**

**PRETORIA**

In a move activists hoped would lead to a flood of affordable AIDS medication to Africa, the pharmaceutical industry dropped its suit Thursday challenging a South African law many say would allow the government to import or produce generic versions of the drugs. However, the government said it had no plans to buy generic drugs and implied a widespread program to provide AIDS medication for the 4.7 million South Africans infected with HIV remained a long way off.

Activists packing the courtroom in Pretoria exploded in cheers and song when lawyers for the more than three dozen major pharmaceutical companies suing South Africa withdrew their lawsuit.

"There is no doubt that they have received a black eye," Mark Heywood of the group Treatment Action Campaign said of the companies, which include giants Merck, Bristol-Myers Squibb and GlaxoSmithKline. "And I think it will embolden people in developing countries around the world to stand up for medicines that are affordable."

South Africa agreed to consult the industry when it draws up regulations for the 1997 law and reiterated its long-standing promise not to breach international trade agreements, according to a joint statement issued by both sides.

The agreement was praised around the world by groups including the World Health Organization, Medicins Sans Frontieres, the World Trade Organization and the International Federation of Pharmaceutical Manufacturers Associations.

"Instead of debating the issue with each other in court and in the media, we can now work together to provide better health care to the citizens of South Africa," said Harvey Bale, director general of the federation.

U.S., China show plane videos

This frame from a video tape released by the U.S. Department of Defense reportedly shows a Chinese F-8 fighter plane flown by pilot Wang Wei during an encounter with a U.S. spy plane over the South China Sea.

**Associated Press**

WASHINGTON

In a war of words, Beijing is showing its own tape of U.S. fighter pilots flying close to Chinese jets, much as the Pentagon has been using its video show to portray China as the aggressor over the South China Sea.

The Chinese showed their video Thursday during the second day of talks in Beijing on who is to blame for the April 1 collision of a Navy surveillance plane and a Chinese fighter jet that was shadowing it. Pentagon officials dismissed the tape as mis-leading and irrelevant.

The Chinese footage, apparently shot last year, showed U.S. Navy F-14 and F/A-18 fighters near what appeared to be the Chinese coastline. It seemed to have been shot from the cockpit of a Chinese plane, and an American pilot can be seen yelling at the Chinese.

Chinese Foreign Ministry spokeswoman Zhang Qiuyue said the video depicted "dangerous and aggressive" U.S. flying.

The Pentagon's spokesman, Rear Adm. Craig Quigley, disagreed. "That showed clearly the F-14 and F/A-18s that were in the proximity of whatever type of Chinese aircraft it was — I assume it was a jet — and what you saw was quite a civil distance being maintained," he said.

Quigley said the video was shot in such a way as to distort the distance between the American and Chinese planes.

"They were pretty quick with the zoom button on the video camera, and it brought the aircraft much closer, but I think the starting point of the video that they showed indeed showed the U.S. aircraft at what we would consider a prudent distance from the Chinese aircraft, and that's all we're asking for in this case is prudent, non-aggressive, non-threatening flying," he added.

The Chinese video was released as a counterpoint to an American video shown at a Pentagon news conference last week by Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld in which the pilot of a Chinese F-8 fighter is shown flying outside the wing of an American turboprop surveillance aircraft off the Chinese coast earlier this year. Rumsfeld said it proved that Chinese pilots had been flying dangerously close to American surveillance aircraft in international airspace even before the April 1 collision.

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**Japanese military**

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Scores of residents were evacuated.

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And we dig redhead's.

they get to know everyone in their time secluded together: everyone in Carroll knows each other, and a friendly, family-like atmosphere pervades the dorm.

This is what Casey Grabenstein said to the Rector Brian Coughlin when he walked into the "sauna," a shower stall that had fallen off, and Grabenstein and Patrick Brennan were trying to stop the water from spraying out at full force: "I didn't do it.'"

This is what other students do to relieve stress after finals week: leave their dorm.

This is what some Carroll residents do to entertain themselves: they accidentally light fires.

This is what the housekeeping lady said to Jimmy Mandich when he was running through the hallway with a burning trash can.

Then to why the "sauna," a shower stall, and students jogging around the lake did not question Mandich running with a burning trash can.

This is why Mandich was running through the hallway with a burning trash can: he was refilling a Zippo lighter and unknowingly dropped lighter fluid into the trash can. Then, on a dare, he lit a piece of paper and when it was almost gone, dropped the flame into the trashcan. It instantly caught the entire can on fire.

This is what Mandich said after the Grab'n'Go lady as he ran into the hallway with a burning trash can: "Due to this small size, everyone in Carroll knows each other, and a friendly, family-like atmosphere pervades the dorm."

Carroll residents created a 90 by 30 foot banner in support of the Irish during football season and wrapped it around the entrance of the dorm.

This is why Dan Soldato wanted Carroll Hall to create a new signature event: "Ever since we lost the Haunted House, we keep thinking about what could do for a new dorm event." This is what the event, "Fusion," accomplished in its first year.

This is how long it took the guys to complete the project: it was all done within a 15-hour period.

This is why the NBC announcer's comment is true: in 2000-2001, the men of Carroll Hall did show spirit and enthusiasm, both within the hall itself and for the entire Notre Dame community.

This is what former hall president Tim Dosal says about Carroll's hall government: "Our first goal was always to serve the men of Carroll hall ... but then we tried to go out and serve the entire Notre Dame community."

This is why Jorissen, a junior, has no desire to move off campus next year: "And leave all this? No thank you."
Conference examines character

Special to the Observer

At a time when many wonder whether participation in athletics develops character or characters, the Mendelson Center for Sport, Character & Culture at Notre Dame will examine the topic in its inaugural conference May 11-12.

Titled "Sport, Character and Culture: Promoting Social and Moral Development Through Sport," the conference will bring together leading figures in athletics, the media and academia who are committed to the potential of sports to build character but concerned about the growing number of problems in youth, collegiate and professional athletics.

The conference will begin with a reception, book fair and counter at 6 p.m. May 11 in McKenna Hall on campus.

Other featured presentations will be made by:

♦ Joan Duda, professor of sports psychology at the University of Birmingham, an adjunct professor at Purdue University and the president-elect of the Association for the Advancement of Applied Sport Psychology

♦ Richard Lapchick, a widely quoted expert in the field and the founder and director of the Center for the Study of Sport in Society at Northeastern University

♦ Holly Metcalfe, a 1984 Olympic gold medalist in rowing who created the "Row as One Institute," an organization committed to developing an empowering and safe learning environment for women and girls of all cultures, back-courses and abilities through recreational and competitive rowing

♦ Jay Coakley, professor of sociology and former director of the Center for the Study of Sport and Leisure at the University of Colorado

♦ Brenda Bredemeier and David Shields, codirectors of the Mendelson center and nationally recognized leaders in the study of the relationship between sport participation and character development

News Brief

Unidentified male falls down Nieuwland stairs: An unidentified male fell down the stairs of Nieuwland Science Hall at 2:53 p.m. Thursday. He was taken to the emergency room of St. Joseph Medical Center and treated for a head injury, said Notre Dame Security Police. Although he had no identification on him, police believe he is a student and multiple officers walked door-to-door through campus residence halls with a PALorific picture of the victim in an attempt to identify him Thursday night.

"He was student-aged, in Nieuwland around 7:30 at night, and he was wet so he might have been in the lake," said Dave Austin, midnight captain at St. Joseph Medical Center. Police also suspect that the victim was intoxicated.

Organizers of the fundraiser have assigned another purpose to the endeavor, tagging it as a living prayer for 2000 Notre Dame graduate Wally Poirier.

Poirier, a former Zahm Hall resident and Dismas staff member, was last seen around Feb. 12 in La Paz, Bolivia, where he was a Peace Corps volunteer.

"We want the fundraiser to be a living prayer in the sense that it is an act of faith and hope for Wally's safe return," said Chris Martin, Keenan Hall president.

"If everyone on campus gave just $2, we could raise the money in no time," he said.

The 10-day project wraps up April 27.

Notre Dame students have been involved with Dismas for about 14 years, according to Rob Sambosky, house coordinator for the organization at 221 S. St. Joseph. He said students have traditionally volunteered as cooks and tutors for Dismas house residents.

Sambosky said the fundraiser comes at a critical point for Dismas.

"The community needs to be involved and to come together to give back and help one another," Sambosky said.

Martin said he hoped to garner campus-wide participation in the event through the Hall Presidents Council. HPC members represent each of the University's 27 residence halls.
Learning to fully appreciate time

My preparations for next semester and return to the United States have begun. Over the past two weeks, I have picked classes, finalized rooming plans and chosen a date on which to fly home, the 15th of June. The calendar on my desk screams April. I will board that plane in less than two months. Time flies. Yet time simultaneously crawls along at a snail's pace. I lived the eternal month of October.

After living in close quarters with my Notre Dame friends during the month of September in Salzburg, I had to reckon with this foreign country alone. English-speaking companions no longer offered me moral support each time that I entered a grocery store and tried to spit out German words. I communicated with my Austrian roommate and my host family only with great difficulty.

As I struggled to find a place in Innsbruck, I along with all the Notre Dame students fought the time difference between the United States and Austria. Calls could only be made when the schedules here agreed with the schedules of family members six to 10 hours in the past.

As Audra Sterling remarked, "It's difficult to call home or my friends. When it's six o'clock here, it's only 12 at home. A lot of times, I have to wait until midnight or later before I can get a hold of anyone.

The news in America happens during the night in Austria. Each day CNN Berlin reports the events of yesterday in my home country. During every tomorrow in which I learned the American news from today, I could feel that expasion of the blue Atlantic Ocean.

And as my perceived distance from the United States increased, my mind opened to a change in perspective. I gained a new outlook on the management of time. My prioritization of its use altered. A completely new world laid beyond my German books. I am not alone in this change in perspective.

Responding to my question as to whether the months in Austria had affected a change in her outlook on the time of the United States had affected a change in her outlook on the time. Liz Furey noted, "I think that people are more laid back here. We're not expected to cram so many things into a small amount of time. You don't have to do it all whereas where I am from everyone is run, run, run."

She offered dinner as a favorable example of the difference. "You have to wait quite a while for your check because dinner is more of an event than a refueling." The cultural difference in the use of time between the United States and Europe derives in part from the thought of stepping onto campus in the fall with only a year of college remaining has forced him to consider life beyond school.

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The lesson and the European adventure continue for two fleeting months, a few short weeks that I intend to enjoy to the fullest.

Joanna Mikulsiki is a sophomore who is currently spending the year in Innsbruck, Austria. Her column appears every other Friday.

The views expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.
An appeal for increased campus security

You wake up for another delightful day of classes, morning coffee, textbooks and head off to class. Since the University has not used its $237 trillion endowment to install moving sidewalks you need another means of getting to DeLutris. "Ah, trusty bicycle," you think as you head toward the bike racks. But as you approach the spot where you last left your bicycle, you freeze. Alarm and fear suffocate your soul, for your greatest detrimental possession—my bike? you inquire. "Bike, nicked?" you call, but your bike will not call back. It will not come wheeling over. It is gone. It has been stolen. You begin to weep because you want your bike. You want to ride it. Alas you are forced to ride to class.

The above story plays itself out day after day all across the University of Notre Dame. Not unlike a bicycle it might be a calculator. It might be a laptop, a textbook, a student ID. Whatever it is, it might be yours. I’m talking about theft. Pilling, Filching, Lifting, swiping, purloination, abduction,Stealing, on our once-proud campus. I want the safety of my possessions back. I want this University to be safe. But mostly I want my Brescia back.

Christopher Fuchs
senior
April 19, 2001

Take time to find out about the issues that affect our lives

I am writing in direct response to Gina Maccarone’s letter to the editor that appeared in yesterday’s edition of The Observer.

I would like to challenge Gina as well as the Notre Dame, Saint Mary’s and South Bend community to look at Timothy Thomas’s death within a larger context.

The guest column by Sarah Turner on Wednesday was not as Gina naively assumes one of a personal nature. Sarah Turner did not have it out for the police officer who shot Thomas. Sarah was not angry with one police officer in one city for one mistake. She is voicing a concern about our justice system as well as our nation as a whole.

People do make mistakes and Gina is right — no system is perfect. But the reality of our situation is much worse than pointing out a few mistakes. The reality of our situation is one of a much dire consequence and as a result we have one police officer in one city for one mistake.

In light of these circumstances I challenge my community to seek out different ways of knowing. I challenge students, professors and administrators to invest time and energy into these problems. Reread Sarah Turner’s viewpoint of April 18 and ask yourself what part of the Seattle last November. Look through the AP wire articles and question the way news is being reported.

Do you know what is happening in Quebec right now? Do you know why it’s being reported the way it is? Who is benefiting? Whose interests are being protected for what reasons?

Find the answers to these questions. Take the time to care, at least before defending a system you know nothing about.

Maureen Capillo
Le Mass Hall
April 19, 2001

SPEND A WEEK AWAY FROM YOUR TELEVISION

Television news media plays an important part in keeping American’s healthy. It advises us of the dangers posed by tobacco products, the threat posed by arsenic-laced drinking water and the cancer risk associated with the use of personal electronics. There is however one health advisory that is not likely to run on the 10:00 news: television can be bad for you.

The excessive use of any product can turn it into a risk, and America’s television viewing habits are excessive by any measure. In America, the average person watches about four hours of television a day. An average student is apt to spend over a thousand hours Watching television annually. Versus about 900 hours spent in school and an average American will have seen some two million commercials by the age of 65.

The time spent by Americans in front of the television is concerning, in general terms, for its negative impact on the health of the country. Perhaps unsurprisingly, television is linked to obesity in men, women and children. Children are especially vulnerable to the effects of television like the more TV, the worse the grades. Reading and accepted part of our fives. Television plays an important role in the communications of these questionable corporate interests and an even more important role in making them an integral and accepted part of our lives.

Advertising is the most obvious form these transmissions take. Most televised news shows devote close to 30 percent of their allotted half-hour broadcast time to advertisements (anyone who has ever watched television newscasts will know that Bend area can certainly attest to this). This means that an average television viewer is likely to be bludgeoned over an hour of advertisements per day. This is clearly not without its consequences — both immediate and for-mocking. It is concerned for these consequences and as an awareness of the negative impact television has on American society which has prompted the creation of National TV Turnoff Week.

National TV Turnoff Week is April 23 through 29. It is a series of efforts supported by the Surgeon General, the American Academy of Pediatrics, the Girl Scouts and many other groups and individuals. More importantly it is a perfect opportunity for the Notre Dame community to take a break from television. It’s an opportunity for all of us to sober up from the constant barrage of advertisements, violence, sex, movies and bad programming.

Not unlike Lent, TV Turnoff Week presents a chance for people to stop and think about the influence of certain factors on their lives. In addition to making a general statement about the role television plays in American life a week off from television offers an occasion for each of us to reclaim time which would otherwise be lost to an antisocial, unproductive and generally unrewarding activity. Here at Notre Dame with the end of the school year fast approaching, National TV Turnoff Week is a great chance to spend some time with your friends, significant other or school work before summer arrives.

Television is not unlike alcohol: intelligible, moderate use can be great and tremendous fun. Hour upon hour spent staring at a flickering screen can — like spending every night at the Backer — have a profoundly negative impact on our lives as individuals and as members of society. With all of this in mind, we hope that you will join us in celebrating National TV Turnoff Week.

If you are interested in finding out more about National TV Turnoff Week, really interesting and peculiar TV-free activities or merely analyzing the statistics contained herein you can complain that the various studies don’t actually report what we’ve all always suspected. You can get your start here: http://www.adbusters.org/campaign/turnoff.htm

The Notre Dame Environmental Law Society
April 19, 2001

Christopher Fuchs
senior
April 19, 2001
Spring is in the air (well, sometimes it’s snow, but mostly it’s spring). The entire campus buzzes with activity. Barroom basement men play Whiffle Ball on North Quad and Frisbee fanatics swarm on South. But, as the student body tries to soak up the sparse rays from the South Bend sky, Fisher Hall is gearing up to ring in the spring with style. One word is on every Fisherman’s lips this week: regatta.

Fisher Hall’s annual regatta began in 1967 as an event to raise dorm spirit. Now, the yearly boat race is one of the biggest and most anticipated events on campus. The Regatta this weekend will be the 15th time Fisher Hall has presented the event at Notre Dame.

The Fisher Regatta is no ordinary boat race. Each year, the hordes of vessels built by Notre Dame students descend upon Saint Mary’s Lake to compete in a race across its short length. Of course, no conventional boats such as canoes, rowboats or sailboats are allowed.

In fact, Regatta tradition mandates that the vessels be “homemade.” This invariably means that the boats are crafted out of rather interesting materials such as Styrofoam, empty cans and various pieces of dorm furniture or on whatever the students can lay their hands.

Each dorm may enter as many boats as it wishes. The boats compete in a men’s and women’s speed category and a “best in show” category. But only the speed category lands the ultimate prize: the elusive Fisher Hall Regatta Cup, which is presented to the winning dorm for a period of one year.

The men’s trophy is currently held by the Vermilions of Carroll Hall’s stellar craft “Wooden Caulk.” “Ribbit This,” from Badin Hall holds the cup in the women’s division.

Defending the women’s cup for Badin is “Just Ribbit,” captained by sophomore Meghan Cooney. The boat that is “technically not made yet” will be composed of “Styrofoam, duct tape and spray paint. The four women on the team are all members of the championship crew of ‘Ribbit This’”

Cooney was modest in response to challenges on their reign as Regatta champions. “Everything’s going to be the same as last year. And we won last year,” she said.

Although she was unwilling to “give away our team’s secrets,” Cooney indicated that she believed the high-tech Styrofoam rudders she and her team designed and implemented may have something to do with the success of “Ribbit This.”

Challenging Badin’s title this year is sophomore Sue Varnum and her crew, which will sail “Lewis’ Chicks.” There will be “four chicks to be exact” said Varnum. “Last year we had a good boat, it was well constructed, but we didn’t paddle fast enough.”

This year Varnum and company will be constructing their boat “like all the other girls’ dorms” out of Styrofoam from “Lowe’s or Home Depot ... whatever’s open when we go to the store.” Their secret weapon is a sail, which will (hopefully) give them the added push they need to leap past “Just Ribbit.”

“Ribbit This” beat us last year because we just couldn’t get it together,” Varnum said. “Lewis’ Chicks” does not intend to let that happen again. “Just Ribbit” and “Lewis’ Chicks” will also be taking on one of the more confident members of the race, Walsh Hall’s “I Touch Myself.” Captained by sophomore Melinda Redding, “I Touch Myself” is composed of “Styrofoam and various duct tape stylings,” said crewmember Jen Schmidt.

Although she admits that the boat has not exactly been built yet, Schmidt is extremely confident that the team will “win the entire thing” this year. “We built our boat an hour before the race last year, and we did just fine,” Schmidt said.

The five-woman crew of “I Touch Myself” plans to upset the Badin crew that beat them last year. “We were eliminated by the defending champions last year, but it was just had luck that we had to go against them in the first round.”

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The crew of “I Touch Myself” begins construction of their Regatta boat Wednesday afternoon. The Walsh Hall residents are confident that their ship, built from Styrofoam and duct tape, can steal the Regatta Cup from last year’s women’s division champion, Badin Hall.

By C. SPENCER BEGGS
Assistant Scene Editor

You’ve got...

Campus prepares for Fisher Hall’s annual regatta.

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Although the Regatta Cup goes to the fastest boat, many designers, such as Fisher Hall’s own Chris Boehnen believe that it is the “Best in Show” category that is most important. Boehnen along with co-designer and fellow sophomore Jeff Goett have spent the last month and a half creating the Fisher Hall flagship “The Jolly Piggott” — named after the donor of the materials — to make the 400-pound mammoth.

“The Jolly Piggott” is the first new boat Fisher Hall has built since 1999. The design team modeled the vessel to look like a pirate ship, specifically a Spanish galleon. The pirate ship motif is the mascot of the Fisher Regatta.

Boehnen has never designed a boat before, although he does have experience with the design and development of sets for plays. The design team is not allowed to test their boat on either of the campus lakes before race day, according to Regatta regulations and liabilities to the University.

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Pemchenko tops Oops I Crapped My Pants, 21-18

By KATHLEEN O'BRIEN

Thursday.

Tim O'Brien. "I try to give more besides shoes and socks. Natty White Boys started out strong, but wound up on the short side of a taller, bigger Malicious Prosecution team, with Malicious Prosecution winning 21-17 in a come-from-behind victory."

Brian Ford took teammates Dave Baroni, "Fitzy" Baroni, Namie, Bill "Killer" Kyle, and Tyler of Natty White Boys to a 14-10 lead with his strong play.

"That kid [Ford] is a great asset for us," said coach Rich Weicher, of Malicious Prosecution said. "He knocked everything down.

But Ford couldn't do everything for the Natty White Boys. Known as another "show," with a team of five law students in Matt Barrett, Matt Reiffer, Mark Brown, Rich Weicher, figured out the key to victory by using their size against the taller Rule 11. Reiffer, the tallest players on the court, knocked in the next six points for their team as Malicious Prosecution worked its way into the lead.

"We gave it to the big man right there," O'Guinn said of Rule.

Kodi also did the job defensively by holding Ford in check late in the game. The decisive performance was on an 11-3 run to close out the game.

"Since we're not ranked this year," O'Guinn said, "we kind of feel like we're the underdogs.

Natty White Boys advanced to the round of 32 with the five Knoth residents a year ago, and was surprised not to be ranked this year.

"We didn't deserve to play these guys in the second round," O'Guinn said. "It was surprising that they were not ranked.

Team 396 dug itself out of a hole to beat the Dirty Needles 21-19.

After falling behind 17-11, Steve Nekic, Brian Burke, Mike Whalen, Dave Hynes and Adam Alridge charged ahead of Ron and the Dirty Needles holding their opponents to two points down the stretch.

"Our defense just clamped down and we made big shots," Alridge said. "We were about to win.

Even a Bookstore Basketball game couldn't keep Matt Sarr and Adam Tinkham from studying for the MCATs. The two walk-on football players had friends on the sidelines throwing practice questions at them at every break in the action as their ICU Ballers team beat Napoleon Complex 21-10.

Sarr and Tibbie paired up with Andy Hess, Matt Murphy and fellow football player Tim Reiff of Notre Dame for the victory, but weren't thrilled with their performance.

"We were not nearly up to our potential," Tibbie said. "It might have been because their concentration was else­where. While the ICU Ballers may not have played a better shot­ting game they rolled to the victory. O'Neill had several driving lay-ins in the win and was a hot shooter.

Rich Ambrew, Chad Daven, Jared Riebe, Mike Wendling and Sean Yuzzawa had a reason for their loss in their height, or lack thereof. Napoleon Complex called itself the shortest team in the tour­naments.

"We were just over­matched," Ambrew said. "They had one too many big guys for us.

"I'd like to congratulate them on the biggest upset in Bookstore history," DeVeaux said of the 14-point win.

Notre Dame men's basketball coach Mike Brey and his team 808 will play Saturday at 2:30 p.m. at the Stepan Courts.

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The Irish are in Miami this weekend playing in the Big East Championships.

"Deja vu all over again" as Irish head to Miami

By KATIE HUGHES
Sports Writer

The No. 14-ranked Notre Dame men's tennis team heads to the University of Miami this weekend for the the Big East Championship full of both bitter deja vu and the confidence of experience.

Seeded first going into the tournament, they have a bye on Friday and will face the winner of Friday's match-up between No. 4 St. John's and No. 5 Rutgers Saturday.

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NFL DRAFT

Davie projects increasing number of draft picks

By MIKE CONNOLLY
Sports Writer

The 2000 Notre Dame football team will receive one final, unofficial evaluation this weekend at the 2001 NFL Draft. As many as five Irish seniors could be selected this weekend — a noticeable improvement compared to the 2000 draft when only Jarious Jackson was selected in the last round.

The greater number of players expected to be chosen this year is a sign of improvement for the program, according to Notre Dame head coach Bob Davie.

"You know last year we only had one player drafted and that was in the last round. But I think those days are over," Davie said. "I think we are going to have more players make it more interesting for the fans around here. I think we have some really good football players coming out. Whether or not they are going to be impact players that are drafted early in the first day of that draft, I don't know if that is going to happen. But I do think we have some good players in this program who are going to make some teams." 

Guard Mike Gandy is expected to be the first player drafted from the Irish. The senior from Dallas, Texas is projected as high as the second round. Brock Williams, Tony Driver, Jafari Holloway and Anthony Denman could also be selected.

Even if all five predicted players are drafted, it would still be a large drop off compared to the early '90s when as many as 10 players were drafted in 1991 and 1994.

None of this year's players are considered potential first round draft picks. In 1993, Notre Dame had four players drafted in the first round. The last Irish first rounder was Luke Petitgout in 1999.

Davie acknowledges that the talent level has been down at Notre Dame but also insists it is on the rise.

"If you look back over the last two years, we haven't had a lot of players drafted from this program," Davie said. "The year we were 9-3 and had a pretty good team (1998), we had a lot of players drafted. The other two years we had one player drafted. I think we will have more players drafted this year. We won nine games and I think next year we will have the most players drafted since I've been at Notre Dame."

While the low number of NFL-caliber players on his teams have certainly impacted the win-loss record of his team, Davie said it has helped recruiting in some ways. Good high school players see Notre Dame as a place where they might start right away, according to Davie. That alleged recruiting advantage leads Davie to believe that next year's draft will feature even more Irish seniors.

In the end, however, a large number of NFL draft picks reflects positively on Notre Dame.

"The bottom line is though, I want to see as many guys possible drafted out of Notre Dame," Davie said. "It's good for us; it's good for the players; it's good for the program. It shows we are headed in the right direction because (NFL scouts) don't miss on many draft picks."

Game

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right fielder Brian Stavisky would ground into a double play on a hard hit ball back to the pitcher.

Central Michigan appeared to head in the right direction because 
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The Irish sent five pitchers to the mound in the contest; however, all of the runs were credited to senior Mike Naumann. Three of the four came in the seventh inning when Central Michigan broke open a 1-1 tie and pulled to a 4-1 lead. 

One good aspect of those mid-week games is that they can really set the tone and prepare the team for the Big East games on the weekends, according to Mainier.

"We had talked about this game being a preparation for us for the weekend, and we did not want to go into those games with a loss," said junior Steve Stanley, who bopped his average up to .388 with a two for three day Thursday. "This game shows us that we have to come out and play better, but we're very thankful to come away with a win even though we may not have played to our best potential!"

Hopefully the Irish will be able to carry over this momentum to the weekend series against Big East opponent Villanova (18-18-1). If the Irish can continue their current 11-game winning streak, they may be able to move into a first place ranking, since No. 1 ranked Stanford lost earlier this week to San Francisco. The two teams will square off for a double-header Saturday at noon at Frank Eck Stadium. They will wrap up the series with another game Sunday at noon.
Belles up, sweep Calvin in double header

By MOLLY McVOY
Senior Staff Writer

Saint Mary's added to its lead in the fourth inning when junior third baseman Melissa Hayes drove in senior Katie Tebbe to make it 5-3 Belles. "I felt really bad pulling Anne out, but it was for the best," Kovach said. "We won because we had fun. I told every batter to go for fun and have fun. That's why we won the game."-

The Belles did not cut into the 11-8 score until the top of the sixth inning. On a double steal by first baseman Melissa Hayes and right fielder Jill Clark, an error put two runners on, but the Irish did not score. Senior Staff Writer

Happy Birthday Katie

Happy Birthday Reidicus

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Finding the best of the best

Bringing the next generation of hard-hitting and hard-throwing商品s to South Bend comes much of O'Connor's sum-
ner. He, along with Mainieri and fellow assistant coach Dusty Lepper, crisscross the country seeking out talent and convincing them that Notre Dame is the place to continue their careers while securing a quality education. "Notre Dame sells itself academically," O'Connor said. "As far as recruiting a baseball player, we need to show him that he can get better in our program because every kid we recruit has aspirations of play-
ing in the big leagues, and tell them they can win champi-
ionships here and have a chance at the College World Series.

With the success of the Irish baseball program in sending players to the professional ranks, O'Connor has a powerful recruiting tool. Twenty-four Irish players have been drafted or signed to professional con-
tracts under Mainieri and O'Connor.

"We feel very comfortable telling kids that they can get better here and win a lot of games here," said O'Connor. Recruiting offers O'Connor special personal rewards as well.

"You see how hard our coach-
ing staff worked to go out and recruit, and going out and watching them play and work-

ing with them, and its great to see . . . that all the hard work you've put into it pays off," O'Connor said.

O'Connor's accomplishments as a recruiter can be traced to several sources. He has a per-
sonality that represents Notre Dame well, and he is very effective in relating to parents the oppor-
tunities for their sons with the Irish, said Mainieri. "He places a high premium on com-
petitiveness and hustle, and kids with a love of the game," said Mainieri. "He's a great evaluator of talent. He knows what it takes [for a player] to be successful in college baseball."

Knowing the road

In the early 90s, O'Connor was a college baseball success himself at Creighton University in Omaha. As a freshman in 1990, he posted a 1.91 ERA, still the team record. The next year, Creighton reached the College World Series in its hometown of Omaha, making O'Connor the only member of the Irish baseball team with College World Series experience.

Although he enjoyed his College World Series experience greatly, O'Connor won't talk to his players about what Omaha is like mid-June. "I won't talk to our guys about what the [College World Series] is like. I think that every kid should have that experience on their own," he said.

Not going anywhere

In their seven years of working together, Mainieri and O'Connor have forged a close relationship that rests firmly on common ground concerning how the game should be played and how the program should be run.

"We're on the same page the way we look at things," said Mainieri. "It's not a yes man, he gives his opinions, and usu-
ally his opinions are the same as mine."

With the success of Irish base-
ball and with Baseball America ranking O'Connor in its top 10 college assistants, inevitably the issue of leaving Notre Dame for a head coaching job somewhere else comes up. But at Notre Dame O'Connor has found a sit-
uation where he has a larger role than most college assis-
tants, and also to work with Mainieri and some of the top talent in the country.

"I've always felt a great honor to not only work for Notre Dame but also for Coach Mainieri," O'Connor said. "Ever since I have been here I have been given a tremendous amount of responsibility. I do a lot of stuff that most head coaches at other programs might not want to let an assis-
tant coach do. That's why I've always felt 100 percent com-
fortable and happy I'm at Notre Dame."
ND, Miami set to write latest chapter in rivalry

By ANDREW SOUKUP
Associate Sports Editor


Welcome to the biggest rivalry in Big East women's tennis.

In the six years that the Big East has hosted a match-style tournament, the two teams playing for the championship have always been the Irish and the Hurricanes.

And Notre Dame coach Jay Louderback hopes it stays that way.

"[Miami's] the best team," he said. "And we'd just as soon play the best team we can."

The No. 7 Irish, who enter the Big East tournament as the top seed, already faced Miami this season in a dual match — and the Irish came out on top, winning 6-1. "We beat them easier than I thought I would," Louderback said.

But he expects things to be different the second time around. The Hurricanes, who are hosting the tournament, have a home-court advantage and have had 10 days to rest. The Irish, meanwhile, played a match on Monday and will play in more than 80 degree temperatures this weekend.

Louderback knows first-hand how Miami can rebound. All he has to do is remember what happened a year ago after Notre Dame beat Miami 6-3 in South Bend. Just eight days later, the Hurricanes toppled the Irish 7-0 in the Big East finals.

"They'll be playing at their place and they're always tough," said Louderback. "I'm sure we'll have a battle."

In all, Notre Dame has won four of the last six Big East titles. The Irish last won the championship in 1998. Meanwhile, Miami won the Big East championship in 1998 — snapping Notre Dame's streak of three consecutive titles — and in 2000.

The Irish aren't planning to alter their lineup. Senior Michelle Dasso, who is ranked No. 4 nationally, will put her team-best 19-3 singles record on the line at No. 1 singles. Junior Becky Varnum will most likely play No. 2 singles, while classmate Nina Vaughn — ranked No. 100 nationally — will play No. 3 singles.

Freshman Caylan Leslie — the only underclassman in the varsity lineup — will compete at No. 4 singles. Junior Lindsey Green and senior Kimberly Guy round out Notre Dame's singles lineup at Nos. 5 and 6, respectively.

Dasso and Varnum — the No. 5-ranked duo nationally — will team up at No. 1 doubles. Either Leslie or sophomore Katie Culhna will combine with Guy at No. 2 doubles. Green and Vaughn complete the Notre Dame lineup at No. 3 doubles.

Louderback says that having such an experienced team is the reason the Irish are 21-4 — their best record entering the Big East Tournament in his tenure.

"It's been a fun year," he said. "Of the top six, five are juniors and seniors. I think they've all been around enough, and they all work very hard and are very focused."

However, in order to advance to Sunday's finals, the Irish will have to get past either Virginia Tech or Syracuse on Saturday morning. Notre Dame has already faced Virginia Tech this season, winning 7-0. Regardless of who wins the Syracuse-Virginia Tech match, Louderback expects a challenging semifinal match.

"They're both very solid teams," he said. "We definitely aren't a guaranteed win. The biggest thing is just to get our shot at Miami in the finals."

Meanwhile, the second-seeded Hurricanes — ranked No. 41 in the nation — must get past third-seeded and No. 64 Boston College in order to advance to the finals. The Eagles will play West Virginia in the first round — a team Notre Dame beat 7-0 earlier this season.

But it doesn't matter who the Irish play, says Louderback. Their goal isn't going to change.

"It's plain and simple," he said. "We want to win."
Not valid with any other offer or discount, you said. "It feels great to finally have a win. I'm starting to get my confidence back."

Annie Knish
Belles' tennis co-captain

"The first set was making a lot of mistakes," Knish said. "(During the second and third sets) I told myself to keep the ball in play and let my opponent make the mistakes.

Calvin's Jessica Basma did make the mistakes, and Knish took the next two sets 6-4, 6-2 to win the match. Knish's victory clinched a Saint Mary's win, coming after the other four singles wins.

Freshman Kaitlin Cutler earned a solid 6-0, 6-1 victory at No. 3 singles. Kris Spriggle topped her opponent 6-2, 6-2 at No. 5 singles and sophomore Elisa Ryan wrapped up the singles wins with a 6-2, 6-0 victory at No. 6 singles.

Jeanne Knish and Cutler teamed up at No. 2 doubles and finished off their opponents in two sets, defeating the Knights of Calvin 6-3, 6-3.

Trisha Jones and Ryan won No. 3 doubles in a close two set game. After an easy 6-2 first set victory, Jones and Ryan ended the second set in a tie. They took the tiebreaker 7-5, winning the game 7-6.

The Belles will play on Saturday at home against DePauw and Wheaton. Action kicks off at 9 a.m. Sunday the Belles will take on Kalamazoo on the road at 1 p.m.

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Horoscope

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Celebrations Born On This Day:

March 21: Jim Davis, comic strip creator of Garfield.
March 22: Clint Eastwood, actor.
March 23: Jennifer Aniston, actress.
March 24: Mike Tyson, professional boxer.
March 25: John Travolta, actor.
March 26: Jim Henson, puppeteer.
March 27: Arnold Schwarzenegger, bodybuilder and actor.
March 28: Janis Joplin, singer.
March 29: Bruce Springsteen, singer-songwriter.
March 30: Mark Harmon, actor.
March 31: John Lennon, singer-songwriter.

Crossword

ACROSS

1 Card stock (anagram for "ead"
2 Thunder sound (anagram for "hard"
3 Special Forces cap
4 Polkaod
5 Jim-dandy
6 Fragrance
7 George Bush's alma mater
8 Monster of a boss
9 P. I. in a nutshell
10 Act like a slave-
11 Monster of a professor
12 Assistant professor
13 Item on a balance sheet
14 Act like a slave-
15 Oriental
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20 Act like a slave-
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22 Act like a slave-
23 Tribesman's driver
24 Fisherman's beholder
25 Tribesman's writer, for short
26 Supply-and-
27 Tribesman's beholder
28 Tribesman's beholder
29 Tribesman's beholder
30 World's longest
31 Beholder

Down

1 Immediate mental, with "but"
2 Stuck and not going anywhere
3 Sense of taste
4 Not guaranteed
5 $100 bill
6 Least familiar
7 Farm measure
8 Twenty-dy
9 Groundwork
10 Blow up
11 CD...
12 Ol'chin's cousin
13 Fan on a dancer's heel
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Belles clinch Saint Mary's first-ever MIAA title

By KATIE MCVOY
Associate Sports Editor

Saint Mary's defeated Calvin 8-1 Wednesday to clinch the regular season MIAA championship for the Belles. The conference championship is the first ever for Saint Mary's. "We're ecstatic," Belles' co-captain Annie Knish said. "We knew we were going to be a strong team, but we didn't expect to finish in first."

Coming into today's match, Calvin was ranked No. 3 in the MIAA with Saint Mary's holding first. The Belles tied with the Knights last year for second place in the MIAA. Annie Knish said, "We just told ourselves that the set was our warm up."

Belles' tennis co-captain Stevenson said, "They earned it," head coach Dee Stevenson said. "They worked hard. They never quit."

B-SB-1 -at Big East Championships Miami, Fla.
Today - Sunday

Baseball

Pitch to the top

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