Root for the underdogs

Students watch Superbowl XXXVI Sunday in Lafortune Student Center. The New England Patriots, the 14-point underdog, beat the St. Louis Rams with a last-second field goal. The Superbowl win is a first for the Patriots.

Zorich's rise from poverty sparks his philanthropy

By JUSTIN KRVICKAS

News Writer

Notre Dame and Chicago Bear football great Chris Zorich gave a speech Sunday in the Coleman Morse Lounge on the importance of community service. Students clustered around Zorich on couches and chairs as he spoke about his life growing up in poverty and the significance community's assistance played in his life as a child.

While Zorich was growing up in the far East side of Chicago, his family was in a state of poverty. He grew up with a single mother and only through the help of government assistance was the family able to receive the bare essentials for survival. There were times, explained Zorich, when there was no food in the house and he would scavenge the garbage behind the local grocery store for anything edible to eat. Regardless of the conditions he had to live with, attending college never crossed his mind. Yet, fate was on Zorich's side as he was able to play football at Notre Dame.

"I knew a chance to go to college would open better opportunities for me," said Zorich.

After college, Zorich was drafted to the Chicago Bears, a thought that he did not think would ever be possible.

"Playing for the Bears was a dream come true," said Zorich.

After achieving fame and fortune, Zorich knew he had a duty to help families that are experiencing the poverty he faced as a child.

"I remember standing in line at our church waiting for a food basket," said Zorich. "That makes an impression on you when you're a little kid. I promised myself that if I was ever able to help others, I would. That's why I created The Christopher Zorich Foundation."

The Christopher Zorich Foundation was established in 1993, and is committed to the realization of human potential — mind, body, and spirit. Its mission is 'One Purpose, One Goal', which is to provide assistance and opportunities to disadvantaged Chicagomans. The organization strives to foster a sense of caring, which crosses race, religion, economic, and social boundaries.

The foundation runs a food drive, awards Notre Dame scholarships, donates new toys and clothing to needy children, sponsors a 5K race, gives grants to women in shelters on Mother's Day, and partakes in various other activities in the Chicago community. On one Thanksgiving, he distributed 97 turkeys to needy families in his community.

Zorich told students that to make a difference in someone's life you must try to put yourself in that person's position.

"By understanding your client, you're opening your heart to what they had to go through," he said.

Zorich is currently attending law school at Notre Dame and plans to stay involved in the betterment of Chicagoland families in the future.

The event was one of the Blessing UUOs Other's series sponsored by the Notre Dame Student Government. The nonprofit seeks to mobilize the entire student body to come together each year and raise money for a foreign charity that is served by current Notre Dame students.

Contact Justin Krivickas at jkivick@nd.edu.

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This week on Campus

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- Film: "The Killing Floor," 4 p.m., Hesburgh Center
- Review: "Becker Conviser CPA Review," 5:30 p.m. to 10 p.m.  
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Tuesday  
- Lecture: "Promoting Security in Central Asia," by Kathleen Collins, 4 p.m., Hesburgh Center
- Event: "Blessing Into Others Week," 7 to 9 p.m., Montgomery Theater, LaFortune

Wednesday  
- Lecture: "Hispanic Self-fashioning: The Making of a Mexican-American Middle Class Identity," by Jose Limon, all day, McKenna Hall
- Film: "With a friend like Harry," 9 p.m., LaFortune

Beyond Campus

University of California labs study drug-resistant HIV

BERKELEY

University of California-Berkeley and UC-San Francisco researchers have discovered that a drug-resistant virus resistant to pharmaceutical treatments, according to a study published Friday. ("Our research") shows that the HIV-1 immunodeficiency virus is really able to mutate dramatically," said professor Charles Craik of the pharmacological chemistry department at UCSF, who directed the study.

The work of Craik and his colleagues suggested that resistance stems from changes in the virus, not changes in the patient. It also demonstrated how the virus mutates to evade drug treatments.

"The virus can completely change its form to avoid the effects of these drugs, particularly protease inhibitors," Craik said. He added these results are "quite disturbing."

Although the researchers are concerned about resistance mechanisms, they hope the data presented in the paper will help scientists to develop more effective treatments.

"The hope is now we can make new drugs that can attack the mutated virus so no matter how it changes it still will be treatable," a master skeleton key of the virus," Craik said.

UC-Berkeley's chemistry department developed the technology used by the UCSF team. Professor Jonathan Elliman, director of the project, emphasized the importance of collaboration to accomplish the study.

"Science is becoming more and more interdisciplinary," he said. "By working together we are able to develop something that a lot of people are involved in, including (pharmaceutical) Merck."  

Stanford University medical professor Thomas Merigan, head of the university's Center for AIDS Research, said the study may lead to breakthroughs in AIDS treatment.

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Washington University

School to begin inflating grade scale

ST. LOUIS

For the first time in 22 years, the Washington University School of Law (WUSL) has decided to inflate the grades of its graduating students. The decision, prompted primarily by grade inflation at peer schools as well as an increase in the quality of the School of Law's student body, is aimed at giving more of a competitive edge to WUSL graduates.

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Ohio State University

Campus mourns death of student

COLUMBUS

While the parents of Christopher "Cerh" Gerspacher make arrangements to take their son to rest, the Ohio State University community mourns the loss of an incredible student. "[He was] one of the best students I've ever had at OSU," said Ahmad Sikangia, associate professor, who had Gerspacher in several of his classes. Gerspacher, a senior, whose body was found Tuesday in a ravine off of North Old State Road in Delaware County, had been missing since Dec. 22 from his apartment in Columbus.

Gerspacher had a great interest in studying African history. "He was a very good student and very serious about his studies," Sikangia said. "He never missed class." Gerspacher spent six weeks in Africa this past summer with the OSU Study Tour 2001. "He was close to graduation and [had] applied to grad school," said his father Bob Gerspacher, in a previous interview last month. "He did well this fall quarter."

Local Weather

5 Day South Bend Forecast

- Tuesday: 35° 26°
- Wednesday: 35° 26°
- Thursday: 35° 25°
- Friday: 35° 22°
- Saturday: 36° 21°

National Weather

The AccuWeather forecast for noon, Monday, Feb. 4.

- Atlanta: 56° 31°
- Baltimore: 40° 26°
- Boston: 32° 22°
- Chicago: 29° 18°
- Dallas: 62° 42°
- Houston: 62° 42°

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Few activists protest World Economic Forum

Associated Press

NEW YORK

Police guarding the World Economic Forum had the streets around the Waldorf-Astoria hotel mostly to themselves Sunday as few protesters braved chilly winds to vent their frustrations at the international business and political leaders inside.

A day after about 7,000 activists for various causes massed near the hotel, the only large group was about 150 yellow-scarf members of the spiritual group Falun Gong, whose protest was aimed at the Chinese government's crackdown on their movement. Gathered at a designated protest area two blocks from the Waldorf, the dyed-exercised tapers exercised music, chanted with police and handed out leaflets.

One of the few incidents of property destruction came late Sunday afternoon about a mile to the north. Protesters in an animal rights march heading toward the hotel smashed a glass door and threw a balloon filled with red paint at an apartment building. Police halted the march, which had grown to 200 people, but let it start up again.

Police later took 67 of the protesters into custody after some lay down in an intersection about 15 blocks from the Waldorf and refused to move. Officers halted the march and dispersed the activists.

Earlier in the day, police said they arrested 87 activists for disrupting traffic by marching in the street on the Lower East Side, about 3 1/2 miles from the hotel. They were charged with disorderly conduct.

Before Sunday, police had arrested 40 people in the first three days of the forum, which has been free of violence that has accompanied protests at international summits in recent years.

Police and protesters say changes in tactics and perspectives have kept the streets peaceful.

In the days before the forum, police made a public display of their crowd-control training, and newspapers trumpeted forum security.

"After Sept. 11, I think people are seeing cops in a different light," said Robert Wing, 19, who said he had attended major protests against international economic meetings in Seattle and Genoa, Italy, both the scenes of extensive rioting.

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Experience with Macintosh computers is helpful.

Applications for any of the above positions should be a statement of five or more pages explaining applicants' qualifications and what they want to accomplish during their term.

Managing Editor and Business Manager applications are due by 5 p.m. Monday, Feb. 4.

Assistant Managing Editor and Operations Manager applications are due by 5 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 6.

Submit all applications to Jason McFarley in the Observer office in the South Dining Hall basement.

Please direct questions about the positions or the application procedure to Jason McFarley at 631-5323, Editor in Chief Mike Connolly at 631-4542 or Business Manager Bob Woods and Operations Manager Pat Peters at 631-5313.
Associated Press

President Eduardo Duhalde's embattled government is preparing to make major economic adjustments that could sharpen the nation's development economy and ease an unpopular banking freeze.

The recovery package comes after Argentina's Supreme Court ruled Friday that the banking freeze was unconstitutional. The freeze, which began Dec. 1 and locks many dollar deposits into banks until 2003, is a highly unpopular symbol of the crisis.

Argentina's debt is now estimated at $132 billion foreign currency and financial institutions. "There's no barrier any more ... it's possible for people to be caught up in the image of, 'Look at me, I'm a woman, but that's not my vibe ... it's possible for people to be caught up in the image of, 'Look at me, I'm a woman and I'm running.' But when people look at me, I want them to say, 'I'm a woman, but that's not my vibe ... it's possible for people to be caught up in the image of, 'Look at me, I'm a woman and I'm running.'"

Gates threatens to leave Harvard

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Russian official visits Afghanistan: Russia's foreign minister comes to Afghanistan today promising that Russia aims to help rebuild the country from 23 years of war that began with a Soviet invasion. Igor Ivanov represents a Kremlin whose policies are stunningly different than those in force at the time of the 1979 inva­sion. With its military in slow-motion collapse and its economy staggering back from catastrophy, Russia now makes only pro-forma preten­sions of being a world power and has become increasingly cooperative with the West.

Hong Kong kills 100,000 chickens: Health workers completed the slaughter of more than 100,000 chickens Sunday at a Hong Kong farm where the deaths of thousands of birds had raised fears of a second outbreak of avian flu in less than a year.

National News Briefs

Priest sex cases shock parishioners: Parishioners at two Randolph, Mass., churches outside Boston were stunned Sunday to learn their priests had been suspended as part of the Catholic Archdiocese's efforts to root out priests accused of sexual misconduct. The Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Boston announced Saturday it had suspended Father Paul Finegan and Father Daniel Graham, both 57. The deci­sion followed public criticism that it had ignored past allegations of priest misconduct.

Man wants money for sex change: A man sentenced to life in prison without parole for strangling his wife is trying to force a Boston judge to order the state Department of Corrections to cover the treat­ment.

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"Somebody was smiling on us today," Husband said. Each train had two locomotives — one train had 148 cars, the other 125 cars.

Market Watch January 31

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Bush proposes $2.12 trillion budget

President Bush is sending Congress a $2.12 trillion spending plan today that seeks to recognize the "new realities" confronting the nation since Sept. 11. It proposes the biggest jump in defense spending in two decades and a record increase in money devoted to making Americans more secure at home.

The budget tries to revive an anti-recession stimulus package that stalled late last year in the Senate. It also seeks billions of dollars more in future years to make permanent the biggest economic victory of Bush's first year in office, a sweeping, across-the-board tax cut.

But the spending plan for the 2003 budget year must face the new realities of a reduced financial situation — $4 trillion in disappearing sur­pluses because of the recession and that tax cut.

To do that, Bush wants to squeeze government programs from highway construction to job training and envi­ronmental projects.

Congressional Democrats are pledging a fight to restore spending on condition of anonymity said one person had been detained for interrogation on suspicion of calling in the ransom demand.

Mukhtar Ahmad Sheikh, governor of Sindh province, which includes Karachi, expressed hope that Pearl would be found "as we believe the man is still alive."

Pearl's French wife, Marianne, is six months pregnant with their first child. In a letter published Saturday in the Urdu lan­guage newspaper Jang, she asked the kidnappers to free her husband "as people inspired by Islam's ethics."
EPA revamps diesel engine laws

Associated Press

**CINCINNATI**

**GARDEZ**

Afghan and United Nations mediators, joined by American officials, on Sunday extracted a conditional cease-fire agreement from two rival tribal warlords in an eastern Afghan town that was rocked by two days of fighting last week.

With factional fighting threatening government efforts to assert control throughout the country, the delegation hopes to avert more tribal clashes in Gardez, a town of about 40,000 people that is the capital of Paktia, a strategic province. U.S. forces want to ensure that al-Qaeda fugitives cannot flee through Paktia's border passes into neighboring Pakistan.

On Wednesday and Thursday, soldiers for warlord Bacha Khan exchanged artillery fire with forces loyal to Gardez's tribal council, or shura, which bitterly opposes Khan's appointment as provincial governor. At least 61 people were killed.

Just before meeting the mediators, Khan said he was ready to fight on to assert his rights as governor — an appointment that was initially self-declared, but later sanctioned by the government of interim leader Hamid Karzai.

"I am officially the governor of Gardez. I am ready for more fighting," Khan said, gesturing toward 200 of his soldiers standing near a mud-walled outpost outside of Gardez, where the delegation traveled to meet him.

"You can see my fights the attack," Khan said.

Shura leaders say Khan is corrupt and brutal and have appealed for another governor.

During a break in the talks, Khan said he had agreed to a request by mediators to hold off until Friday on any new assault on Gardez, 60 miles south of the Afghan capital, Kabul. But Khan said he was not satisfied with the pace of prisoner exchanges and the return of the bodies of slain fighters.

In a nearly similar trouble, the Gardez shura said it had returned the bodies of Khan's dead fighters, but he denied having received any mediation efforts to continue Monday.

Townsperson said U.S. aircraft dropped leaflets Saturday night urging an end to the fighting, the worst clashes between rival warlords since Karzai's government took office on Dec. 22.

"We are all in Afghanistan," said the leaflets in Dari and Pashtu, the two local languages. "We must be united and one together."

B-52 bombers circled over the Gardez region on Sunday for what residents said was the first time in two weeks. U.S. Special Forces are hunting al-Qaeda fugitives in the region, where Osama bin Laden's terror network had extensive training camps and arms caches.

"There continue to remain pockets of Taliban and al Qaeda in the area," said Capt. Tony Rivers, a U.S. Army spokesman in Kandahar. "We continue combat operations all over Afghanistan."

The mediators included Ashraf Rabi Ahmadzai, an adviser to the U.N. special envoy to Afghanistan, Lakhdir Brahimi, as well as Shahzad Ahmadzai, a special adviser to Karzai who is also the Afghan leader's uncle.

Although U.S. forces did not intervene in last week's clashes, several U.S. armored escorts stood guard while the separate talks with the two sides went on. Two American officials took part in the talks, several participants said, describing one as a U.S. Embassy official.

The Americans standing guard outside would not identify themselves or their unit but said they were based "around here." U.S. forces have a sizable base just outside the nearby city of Khost and a smaller outpost on Gardez's southern outskirts.

Instead of uniforms, the soldiers wore rough Afghan wool coats, jackets and scarves — dress common among U.S. special forces operating in the region. Most of the soldiers were bearded.

Last week's fighting ended with Khan's forces retreating into mountains around Gardez. But after repulsing his troops, he threatened to attack again Sunday.

Without a national army, Karzai's government has little power to force peace on feuding warlord militias.

Karzai, who returned to Kabul on Saturday, said he would resume the attack until Friday on any new assault requested by mediators to hold off until Friday. He vowed to negative the fighting, the worst clashes between rival warlords since Karzai's government took office on Dec. 22. But he was unable to win any pledge that the peacekeeping force would be significantly enlarged or its deployment expanded.

Continued unrest here and elsewhere has led many Afghans to call for a larger, nationwide peacekeeping force. In northern Afghanistan, two main militias worked Sunday to finalize an accord aimed at keeping clashes from spreading into the region's largest city, a mediator said Sunday.

The pact, being worked out by representatives of warlords Rashid Dostum and Atta Mohammad, seeks to prevent a possible dangerous escalation of recent skirmishes. The fighting so far has been confined to relatively remote villages.

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An injured Afghan fighter lies in the hospital Friday in Gardez, Afghanistan. The fighting in the area stabilized after a two-day battle between rival Afghan warlords left at least 60 dead.
Fox visits Cuba for trade talks

CUBA

HAVANA

Mexican President Vicente Fox faced perhaps his most difficult foreign policy dilemma yet Sunday as he tried to get Cuba for trade talks under pressure to meet with internal opposition groups — a move that could damage relations with Cuban leader Fidel Castro.

Fox was greeted Sunday morning by Cuban Foreign Minister Felipe Perez Roque, then swept away to the Palace of the Revolution to be formally greeted by Castro before heading into private talks.

"This trip is very important for us," Fox told reporters at the airport. "We are doing this at the beginning of our administration because we want to strengthen our relationship with Cuba." Mexico has described the 24-hour visit as "a working trip" focusing on ways to increase Mexican trade and investment with the island.

But at the same time, relations between the United States and Fox's own conservative National Action Party are reaching a new low. Many in Mexico are disappointed with the new administration's efforts to improve relations with Cuba. The Latest APEC meeting in Singapore last week, for example, did little to improve relations with Cuba. The United States announced plans to limit travel to Cuba, and Cuban Foreign Minister Felipe Perez Roque said that Cuba's relationship with the United States is "worse than ever." The trip organizers, citing Fox's meeting with Cuban dissidents, said no such meeting took place.

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Ex-Enron chief refuses to testify

WASHINGTON

Former Enron chairman Kenneth Lay pulled out of a congressional testimony on Monday, he told reporters he would testify later this month, saying, "It was clear to us that he was looking for an excuse to wiggle off the hook."

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Justice and Johnny Walker

Johnny Walker Lindh would be a college sophomore today. However, instead of dorm events and coursework he trained at an al-Qaeda camp and met Osama bin Laden. Walker sought religious truth and found meaning in the strict values system of Islam. It was his unquestionable search for truth and meaning that brought him to Afghanistan, where he was captured by Northern Alliance troops. Is it possible to wrap our minds around his choices? Can we find a just punishment for his actions?

The discovery of an "American Taliban" set off media frenzy. The story took on a life of its own when it was revealed that CIA operative Johnny Spann's last minutes were spent interrogating Walker. Spanns and Walker were raised across America's cultural divide. Spann was the All-American boy. He grew up in small-town America, worshiped at a conservative Protestant church, played football and joined the Marines after college. He was patriotic and was sure of America's role in the world.

Walker, on the other hand, was the embodiment of the northern California lifestyle. He was the product of a permissiveness upbringing that urged him to find his own path to truth. From an early age, he carried with him the liberal guilt of American power in the world -- equating it with repression and racism. What he found in radical Islam was a way to both identify with the oppressed and rebel against the oppressor.

The worldview of these two young men were shaped by different values. One felt guilty about America's power and institutions. The other represented and honored it. At a basic level, both symbolically historically grounded and legitimate parts of the American political discourse. If Walker had marched against globalism or worked against swatshops his foreign policy perspective should find sympathizers and adherents. Those who protest International Monetary Fund meetings and disrupt World Bank proceedings share his distrust of American capitalism and military might. But their actions do not lead them to shoulder an AK-47.

Sixty-two percent of those polled in a recent USA Today poll want Walker tried for treason. Most surprising, 69 percent of San Francisco Chronicle readers want him to face the death penalty. The polls show a deep anger and a desire to avenge the deaths of Sept. 11.

There are those who argue that international law allows the death penalty for the crime of genocide. And is not al-Qaeda's plan for violence against Christians, Jews, liberal Muslims and Americans genocide? Again, this argument goes, Walker was trained and proudly took part in this plan. As a participant he is guilty of helping to carry out genocide.

The Nuremberg Trials, after World War II, made the case that those who plan genocide are as criminally liable as those who carry it out. I believe bin Laden and his lieutenants planned genocide and would have little qualm seeking justice for the victims of Sept. 11 and against al-Qaeda's crimes against humanity.

But do Walker's actions raise him to this level? The answer is plainly no. I base his conclusion on the facts. Walker was mobilized to fight against the Northern Alliance before the United States entered the war. It is not clear he even knew the United States was in the war. He was a recent recruit to al Qaeda who never had the opportunity to become a terrorist because his own commander sold out the unit to the Northern Alliance. He may have had the intent, but he never got a chance to carry out the crime of genocide.

So what would be a just punishment? Presently, there are many voices arguing for leniency. Washington Post columnist Richard Cohen refuses to blame Walker for his actions. He says that every parent can recognize the romantic and rebellious kid who needs love, not punishment. Walker's father wants to give him a "small kick in the butt ... and a big hug." And President Bush, perhaps thinking of his own rebellious youth, urged compassion when he called Walker a "poor fellow."

The calls for retribution and the calls for mercy do not fit the crime. Justice for Johnny Walker Lindh will require much more than love and much less than death. Willingly or unwillingly, he took up arms against his country. His journey of faith made him become an enemy of the United States. For that he must pay.

But can we punish the outcome of his earnest search for truth, while protecting all sincere journeys of faith?

I believe that Walker should receive a stiff prison term, but that his sentence should be contingent on the successful completion of the war on terrorism. Let President Bush promise to commute his sentence once al-Qaeda is wiped out. Such a sentence tempers justice with mercy. It penalizes Walker's actions, but signals that his beliefs -- whether motivated by religious zeal or youthful idealism -- can be tolerated in the United States.

This message of democratic and religious pluralism is one of our nation's strengths. We should use the case of Johnny Walker Lindh to preach it to the world.

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Facing the fear of female dorms

Dishes in the hallway, in the scheme of things, are not a huge deal. In my dorm, we would pass without comment. In fact, on a daily basis, the hall outside my room is littered with various articles of clothing, pieces of athletic equipment, drug paraphernalia and the occasional animal carcass.

But I live in a guy's dorm. A girl's dorm is a different story.

Joe Muto

Livin' on a Prayer

Such was the case with my friends in an undocumented women's dorm. They were confronted in an intervention-style meeting by the entire hall staff, who then proceeded to tell them they were "obstinate." More 19th Century-style adjectives followed, most of which had not been used since the writing of the book "The Secret Garden."

Antiquated insults are sadly the least of the problems of a resi­dent of a female dorm. Those of you still with me at this point will recognize that I'm turning my attention to a previously ignored yet central deserving topic: the terror that is "The Female Dorm." Before college, I'd always just assumed that the worst things a woman would have to deal with in her residence hall would be pillow fights, panty raids and the like.

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My lady friends seem unable to convey to me the indignity of liv­ing under 24-hour lock and key, having an honest-to-God nun watching over them, and being hassled in their own 24-hour space by an overactive, blue-shirt-clad lunatic.

But in my opinion, none of these things can top the fear that grips the common Notre Dame man when he decides to visit the Capri pant and tank-top strewn bowels of a girl's dorm.

I'm staring down as if he is planning to rape all of the residents before plucking one of the virgin roses placed under your care. Some of us would have to deal with in her residence hall would be pillow fights, panty raids and the like.

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Words, words, words

Notre Dame’s Annual Sophomore Literary Festival celebrates its 35th anniversary

By LAURA KELLY
Scene Associate Editor

Like many good stories, it all started with one man’s dream.

During his sophomore year at Notre Dame in 1967, J. Richard Rossi envisioned a literary festival, a gathering of scholars to celebrate the life and writings of William Faulkner. Rossi was inspired by a convention he had seen at the University of Mississippi while in high school, and wanted to bring something of the sort to Notre Dame.

Dream became reality, and during the week of March 5, 1967, four Faulkner scholars lectured and presented a film series on the renowned writer.

Rossi wanted the tradition to continue, and he approached sophomore John Mroz to organize the next festival. Mroz accepted, and as the cliché goes, the rest is history.

At the beginning

Kurt Vonnegut, Joseph Heller, Norman Mailer, Ralph Ellison. The lineup of guests from Notre Dame’s 1968 Sophomore Literary Festival sounds like the reading list from an English class on great American authors.

Yet, the story of how these literary giants got to Notre Dame is far from lofty and academic.

“We were just a small band of desperados, gutsy and maybe a little nuts,” said Mroz of the group of sophomores who organized the second festival.

Determined to energize the campus with an infusion of good literature and important contemporary authors, the group of students traveled around the country, urging writers to come and speak on campus.

“We were pretty aggressive, to say the least,” said Mroz, describing trips out to New York and California where students literally knocked on the authors’ doors to persuade them to come to the festival.

The famously reclusive Ellison was stunned to see a group of college kids on his doorstep.

“He said, ‘I told you ‘No’ by letter. I told you ‘No’ by phone and now here you are at my door in New York!’” remembered Mroz.

“But we got him to come.”

During the tumultuous Vietnam years filled with protests and unrest at colleges across the nation, many found it hard to believe that students would have any interest in such a festival.

But Mroz and his fellow students approached several important literary critics for connections to bring authors to campus.

“The critical got a kick out of it,” said Mroz. “A group of sophomores interested in literature at the time of Vietnam, a time of negativity on college campuses, ran counter to everything that was going on nationally.”

But the group’s persistence and belief in their work paid off. Although many of the letters they sent out came back with regrets, they still assembled an impressive list of guests.

“Most of the authors were amazed by our gutsiness and our vision,” Mroz said. “We wouldn’t take no for an answer.”

Due to the cost of bringing such well-known authors to speak, the student group had to raise money in alternative ways—collections in the cafeterias, small concerts, even donations from their parents.

Getting money from the University was difficult, noted Mroz, but finally Rev. Charles Sheedy, dean of students, urged writers to come and speak on campus.

“Seeing the lines of people waiting outside Washington Hall—it was good for the University and good for the student body,” said Mroz. “SFL drew national attention as well, with many literary critics in attendance.”

According to Mroz, the group of sophomore organizers were pictured on the cover of the Saturday Review, an important literary magazine, with the caption “Every Mother’s Dream Son.”

Extraordinary events that took place during the week of the festival—Martin Luther King Jr.’s assassination and President Johnson’s decision not to seek reelection— gave the festival an “electrifying” atmosphere, said Mroz.

“It was an exciting time, a very strange time,” he said.

But overall, the festival’s early and immediate success established a long-standing tradition at Notre Dame.

The tradition continues

Organizing the festival is still a long and involved process. The student committee now open to all undergraduates, not just sophomores, begins work on the next year’s plans in April, immediately following the festival.

“I think what it’s come down to with the students is finding a way to reach the student body,” said Ellgass, “and the future depends on strengthening the connection between the student community and the professors through the festival.”

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Speaking fees of $15,000 and above for major authors make it difficult for SFL to attract the big names it hosted in the past, like Allen Ginsberg, Tennessee Williams, Arthur Miller, Margaret Atwood, Chaim Potok and Seamus Heaney.

Yet recent guests such as Gloria Naylor, Tim O’Brien and W.P. Kinsella prove that SFL’s reputation is still solidly recognized in the literary community.

“We try to find people who are inspiring and willing to give their time to speak to us,” said Ellgass.

Fan response continues to be an important part of SFL’s future.

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Turning the page

The committee is optimistic about SFL’s future.

Partner-ships with the Creative Writing department, the Institute for Latin American and the Core program have helped with funding and strengthened the connection between authors and students.

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"We're trying to spread the word that Ellgass hopes will come to include more poets, playwrights, screenwriters and songwriters. From a slam poet to the author of "The City," this year's group exemplifies the diversity that Ellgass hopes will draw people from all over campus. The festival will open on Wednesday night with a presentation by Prof. José Limón of the University of Texas at Austin. Limón will discuss two of his books that highlight his interest in Mexican-American studies: "The Ballads and Chicano Poems. History and Influence in Mexican American Social Poetry," and "Dancing with the Devil: Social and Cultural Poetry in Mexican American South Texas."

Next is a reading on Thursday night by Robert and Jean Hollander, authors of a new translation of Dante's "Inferno." This collaborative project between husband in Dantesque scholar and professor at Princeton University and wife (a Vienna-born poet and teacher), is part of a complete translation of the "Divine Comedy," with the "Purgatorio" and the "Paradiso" due out in 2002. Friday night features a reading by Mauro Stanton, winner of Notre Dame's Richard Sullivan Award in Short Fiction. Her latest book, a collection of short stories entitled "Do Not Forsake Me, Oh My Darling," was published as part of the award by the University of Notre Dame press in 2002. Saturday features the M.F.A. program at Indiana University and has had poems and short stories published in many magazines. The artist known as muMs will perform his slam poetry on Saturday night. As an actor, writer, poet and activist, Bronx native Craig Grant has appeared in several major motion pictures — Martin Scorsese's "Bringing Out the Dead" and Spike Lee's film "Bamboozled." muMs has also performed on Lollapalooza tours and has a recurring role as the Poet in the Emmy-nominated prison drama "Oz." Saint Mary's alumna Adriana Trigiani will present her latest novel, "Big Stone Gap," and "Big Cherry Holler," on Feb. 11. Trigiani was the first student in the ND/SMC theater program to write and direct her own play on the university main stage. Since her graduation in 1982, Trigiani has gone on to write and produce many plays, TV sitcoms, documentaries and screenplays, including the current film adaptation of "Big Stone Gap."

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year for the Patriots, who were 5-11 last year, started 0-2 and lost quarterback Drew Bledsoe to a chest injury. Brady took over and led them to the AFC East title with an 11-5 record. But few expected them to beat the Rams, who at 14-2 had the league's best record and best defense and were trying to win their second Super Bowl in two years.

The Patriots had twice lost in the Super Bowl, both times in New Orleans. And it was the first championship as a head coach for Bill Belichick, who as defensive coordinator of the New York Giants, 11 years ago won a ring when Buffalo's Scott Norwood missed a 47-yard attempt in the final seconds.

There was plenty of drama, too, especially at the end. Warner's 2-yard sneak with 9:31 left — his first rushing TD this season — pulled St. Louis to a 7-3 lead within the past ten minutes for their first ever Superbowl championship.

New England's Adam Vinatieri celebrates after his 48-yard, game-winning field goal. The Patriots came back from losing a 17-3 lead in the first quarter. Vinatieri made his 16th career game-winning field goal.

On the third play, Warner was sacked only three times but pounded on almost every play even as New England used five, six or seven defensive backs to shut down the St. Louis offense.

The Patriots showed their tenacity early, giving up yards grudgingly and moving from their own 3 to near midfield after being pinned deep on their first possession.

New England stifled on St. Louis' second possession, limiting the Rams to Jeff Wilkins' 50-yard field goal after they had moved from their own 20.

The Patriots let the Rams reach their 34 early in the second quarter, but this time, Wilkins' 52-yard attempt was short.

New England had trouble moving, but it was still the Patriots' pace at this stage of the game.

Everything was slow as the Patriots' varying defenses — as many as seven defensive backs on some plays — made Warner and the Rams work for each yard.

With 8:49 left in the half, New England got the break it was playing for.

On a first-and-10 from the St. Louis 39, New England linebacker Mike Vrabel broke clear on a blitz. As he was about to hit Warner, the St. Louis quarter­back unloaded — right to Law, who raced untouched 47 yards down the sideline to give New England a 7-3 lead.

The second TD came after the Rams got the ball on their own 15 with 1:52 left in the half.

On the third play, Warner found Proehl over the middle. He was hit by Antwan Harris, who scored in the AFC championship game last week on a blocked punt. This time Harris knocked the ball loose and Terrell Buckley picked it up and returned it 15 yards to the St. Louis 40.

Five plays later, it was 14-3 as Brady found David Patten in the backfield for a 2-yard TD.

The Rams then put together a clock-eating drive that ended with a 50-yard, game-winning field goal by Wilkins. The Patriots came back from losing a 17-3 lead in the first quarter. Vinatieri made his 16th career game-winning field goal.

The Rams turned to the run to try to get New England off of its nickel and dime defenses as Marshall Faulk ran four times for 30 yards. But on third down came what seemed to be the inevitable turnover — Warner missed Torry Holt and Osiris Smith picked it off, returning it 30 yards to the St. Louis 32.

Three plays later, Vinatieri's 37-yard field goal made it 17-13. The Rams then put together their first sustained drive, getting inside the New England 32 for the first time. On a fourth-and-goal from the 3, Warner fumbled and Telucks Jones took it all the way back for what appeared to be the clinching touchdown.

But Willie McGinest was called for holding Faulk — plays showed it was obvious — and the Rams got the ball back at the 1. On the second play, Warner went in for the touchdown to cut it to 17-10 with 9:31 left to cap a 73-yard, 12-play drive.

Then came the tying TD and the winning drive.

"We beat all the odds," Milloy said. "No one can ever take that away from us."

No one is likely to try. At least until next season.
Belles fall short against Calvin, come out on top of Alma

By JOE LINDSLEY
Sports Writer

After a narrow loss Saturday to Calvin, the Saint Mary's basketball team bounced back on Sunday against conference rival Alma.

The Belles, 3-7 in MIAA play and 7-14 overall, fell short of beating the Knights of Calvin by a single point, 52-51, in front of a season-high number of fans. But the team defeated Alma, 50-43, on Sunday playing a make-up game for a contest that was cancelled earlier in the week due to bad weather.

While the close loss to Calvin was disappointing for Saint Mary's, the victory over Alma was an emotional and necessary tactical victory for the Belles.

Mary's and the Belles' 50-43 victory over Alma is both an emotional and necessary tactical victory for the Belles. It was such a close game when we played at Alma, and we were all so excited to play Alma because it was such a rival for us. It was such a close game when we played at Alma, and we wanted revenge.

Freshman Emily Creachbaum led the Belles with 14 points, in addition to contributing 12 boards and seven assists. Because of her play, she was named an honorable mention for MIAA players of week. She has done an amazing job this year," said Dineen of Creachbaum. "She's been guarding top players. She has stepped up in every game."

Senior Anne Blair, who had a game-high 23 points versus Calvin, had eight points and eight rebounds against Alma.

Improving its rebounding has been an important goal for Saint Mary's and the increased attention they devoted to this skill seems to be paying off. To recent games, Saint Mary's has been out-rebounded by as many as 20 boards, but Saturday they had 40 to Calvin's 39. "We've been focusing on being disciplined. You have to do the little things. It's not about records anymore," Dineen said. "Every team is pretty much equal. Each night we have to come out and get the offensive rebounds, make the free throws."

A problem Saint Mary's has been dealing with is losing steam during the second half, but this weekend they gained momentum as their games progressed. After being down 26-19, they outscored Calvin 26-20 in the second half.

Against Alma, the Belles were down 30-25 at the half, but came back to outscore the Scots 22-13.

"We concentrated on staying real positive during the second half, and I think we did," said Dineen. "We played incredible team defense during the second half."

Saint Mary's will play at Hope, ranked number one in the conference, on Wednesday night. Hope has only one loss this season. For the Belles, they hope to carry Sunday's intensity through the week.

"We had so much fire in our bellies [Sunday]. We were real intense," said Dineen.

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**WOMEN'S TENNIS**

**Double trouble for Notre Dame in weekend losses**

*By COLIN BOYLAN, Sports Writer*

While the formula for success for the Notre Dame women's tennis team is by no means set in stone, a certain trend seems to be emerging five matches into the spring season. When the team wins the doubles point, they win the match. When they lose the point, they lose the match. Results are much less desirable.

A case in point: last weekend's two opponents—Kentucky and Indiana—dropped the Irish to 3-2 on the season and will likely drop the team from their 13th spot in the national rankings. In both matches, losing the closely contested doubles point set a negative tone for the rest of the competition.

"Even though its only one point, I think the doubles matches have a lot of significance," said head coach Jay Louderback. "We didn't play very well and that carried over to our singles." Doubles certainly set the tone for the Irish in their 4-3 Saturday loss to Kentucky. After splitting the first two matches, the Irish tandem of Lindsay Green and Becky Varnum fell just short in their effort to defeat Kentucky's seventh-ranked doubles team of Carolina Mayorga and Sarah Witten, losing 8-4. Kentucky followed by raffling off the first three singles victories to clinch the match.

Nic tools, Alivia Salas and Katie Comba rallied with three consecutive wins of their own to stage a comeback, but it was a case of too little, too late.

On Sunday, the match seemed to allow a similar script in the team's 5-2 loss to 40th-ranked Indiana.

The Irish suffered a close doubles loss, but actually gained a brief upper hand when Sarah Jane Connolly quickly diappeared of their opponents to give the team a 2-1 lead. Salas' 6-1, 6-0 victory was particularly impressive conclusion to a weekend in which she finished 3-1—the only Irish player to have a winning record.

"I was disappointed that we didn't pull it through in doubles; so I wanted to start out as strong as I could in singles," she said. However, the momentum was halted when Green's second set rally against Indiana's Karie Schlikker fell short in a tie-breaker and Vaughan lost a close match to Linda Tran 7-5, 6-4. Indiana then took the final two singles matches and the victory.

"Toward the end of Sunday's competition, the Irish seemed to be worn down by Indiana's "We've had a couple of tough matches over the past week, but I don't think that was a big issue," said Salas. "We played well against Kentucky, but we just didn't come out with as much intensity against Indiana."

Louderback agreed with that assessment.

"That's just the way the season goes," he said of the team's five losses during the past week. "We need to be ready to play out there."

Despite the relatively disappointing weekend, Louderback says he has no immediate plans to shuffle the line-up.

"I'm going to see how everyone does in the National Indoors this coming weekend and make a decision like that."

Next week, the Irish will travel to Madison, Wisconsin for the USTA/ITA National Team Indoor Championship.

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**MEN'S TENNIS**

Notre Dame dominates Ohio State in 6-1 victory

*Special to The Observer*

The 10th-ranked Notre Dame men's tennis team captured the doubles point and then won the five singles matches at the top of the line-up to defeat No. 24 Ohio State 6-1 Friday at the Eck Tennis Pavilion. Seniors Javier Taborga and Aaron Talarico highlighted the victory, each upsetting players ranked in the national top 20 in singles.

The Irish, who defeated Ohio State for the 14th consecutive time, improved to 5-1 for their best start since 1997. The Buckeyes lost for the first time in four matches in 2002.

The Irish captured a highly-contested doubles point to take a 1-0 lead. Taborga and Comba won the third-ranked doubles team in the nation, drew first blood with an 8-5 win at No. 1. The Buckeyes struck back at No. 2 when Grover, Larson and Jeremy Wurtzman notched a win 8-5. Talarico and sophomore Matthew Scott followed suit with a 6-3, 6-3 win at No. 3, clinching the doubles point for the Irish.

Notre Dame won the first four singles matches off the court to open up a 5-0 lead.

Talarico finished first, upsetting 16th-ranked Phil Metz 6-2, 6-1 at No. 2. The win marked the second time this season Metz has been upset by an Irish player. Taborga defeated him in the second round of last fall's Omni Hotels Region IV Championships.

Talarico has won all six of his singles matches in straight sets this spring and has been victorious in 18 of his last 19 dual singles matches, dating back to last year. Metz is the highest-ranked player Talarico has defeated in his career.

Taborga, who ranks 95th nationally, followed his classmate off the court with a 6-4, 6-2 win over 28th-ranked Wurtzman at No. 1. After never playing at No. 1 singles prior to this season, Taborga is 3-8 at that position in 2002.

He has won his last 11 matches and has now registered four wins over ranked opponents, including back-to-back triumphs over top-25 players. Taborga defeated 24th-ranked Michael Yan of Duke 6-3, 6-1 on Tuesday.

Scott clinched the Irish victory with a 6-1, 7-6 (7-4) win at No. 5 singles. He has won all six of his singles matches this spring and has won 12 of his last 13, dating back to last fall.

After the outcome was determined, 83rd-ranked sophomore Luis Haddock-Morales finished in a 7-5, 6-3 win at No. 4 to improve to 10-0 in singles matches this season. Viner Ng got the Buckeyes on the board with a win at No. 6 before Smith, ranked 88th, registered a 6-7 (5-7), 6-4, 7-5 win over 72nd-ranked Adrian Rohane at No. 3.

On Saturday, the Irish rallied from a 2-1 deficit to move to 6-1 with a 5-2 road victory over No. 46 Northwestern Sunday afternoon at the newly-dedicated Combe Tennis Center. The Irish lost the doubles point, but took five of the six singles matches to gain the win and their best start since 1997.

Northwestern lost for the first time in five matches this season.

The doubles point came down to a tie-breaker in the final match before Northwestern claimed a 1-0 lead. Irish seniors Casey Smith and Javier Taborga, ranked 6th in the nation, gained an 8-5 win at No. 1, but the Wildcats won the remaining two matches. Josh Axler and Thomas Hanus notched an 8-5 win at No. 2 to set up the point-clinching victory by Jack Jenkins and Chuck Perrin at No. 2 by a 9-8 (6-6) score.

Smith, ranked 88th, tied the match with a 6-3, 6-0 win at No. 3 singles, but Hanus immediately put Northwestern ahead again with a 7-6 (7-5), 6-2 victory at No. 2.

The Irish claimed the final four matches on court to win the match. Sophomore Luis Haddock-Morales finished next with a 7-6 (7-5), 6-4 win at No. 4 and senior Andrew Laffin won 7-5, 6-4 at No. 6 to set up the clinching victory. Sophomore Matthew Scott provided it, regaining a 6-4, 1-6, 6-2 win at No. 5, snapping Axler's 12-match streak in dual matches. Scott has won all seven of his singles matches this spring and 13 of his last 14, dating back to last fall. 95th-ranked Taborga then won 6-4, 7-5, 6-1 at No. 1. He has won nine of his last 11 matches.

Notre Dame will return to action on Thursday, taking part in the USTA/ITA National Team Indoor Championships in Lexington, Ky. The Irish are scheduled to open play with a match against seventh-ranked Pepperdine at 9 a.m. on Thursday.

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Hockey

Notre Dame learns lesson with 2 weekend losses

By MATT ORENCHUK
Sports Writer

Sometimes speed kills. That was the lesson the Notre Dame hockey team learned this weekend, losing twice to the Alaska-Fairbanks Nanooks, 7-5 Friday and then 6-5 in Saturday.

"Teams look fast when they react well," said Irish head coach Dave Poulin. "[Alaska-Fairbanks] was jumping on every loose puck."

The two losses dropped the team to 9-14-5 overall, and 7-11-5 in the CCHA.

Saturday night's game proved to be a study in two different teams. In the first period Alaska-Fairbanks started off fast. The Nanooks scored the first three goals of the game, and the first period ended with a 4-1 Alaska-Fairbanks lead. Connor Dunlop scored the only Irish goal of the first with 2:13 left in the period.

Morgan Cey started the game Saturday for Notre Dame, but he didn't finish it. At the start of the second period Poulin pulled Cey in favor of senior Jeremiah Kimento.

The second period started much like the first ended for the Nanooks. Two minutes into the period Alaska-Fairbanks scored their fifth goal of the night to make it 5-1.

Then the Irish started to relax and make plays. Rob Gloeke scored 4:49 into the period to make it 5-2. Alaska-Fairbanks added another goal when Aaron Voros tapped in his second goal of the night to make the score 6-2.

Then the Irish rallied. Yan Stastny and Kyle Dolder scored 34 seconds apart to cut the lead to 6-4. The Irish got another goal with 1:06 left in the period from Neil Komadoski to make the game 6-5. It was Komadoski's first goal of the year.

"In the second we finally relaxed," said Poulin. "We didn't overthink the game, just went out and made plays."

In the third Alaska-Fairbanks pulled Preston McKay in favor of Lance Mayes in goal. The decisions proved to be the right one for the Nanooks. Mayes shut down the Irish in the third. Notre Dame couldn't get anything going offensively, and the game ended 6-5.

In Friday's game the Irish just couldn't get over the hump. Down 6-5 late, Alaska-Fairbanks got an empty-netter to put the game away.

The game started out fast for both teams. Alaska-Fairbanks scored 31 seconds into the game. 1:40 later the Nanooks were up 2-0. But the Irish fought back. Connor Dunlop and David Inman both scored late in the period to make it a 2-2 game.

13 seconds into the second period the Irish took a 3-2 lead on an Evan Niehen goal.

Alaska-Fairbanks then responded by putting three straight goals on the board for a 7-3 lead. That lead stood through the end of the second.

Stastny put one in 43 seconds into the third to pull the Irish within one. Through the third both teams traded goals, with Gloeke netting a goal for Notre Dame.

With the score 6-5 at the end of the game the Irish pulled their goalie for a shot at the tie. Instead Alaska-Fairbanks put in the empty-netter to seal the win.

A big loss in Friday's game was junior winger Mike Chin. Chin crashed into the boards in the second period and had to be helped off the ice. Initially trainers thought he broke his ankle, but it turned out to be a high ankle sprain. Nonetheless the loss of Chin's firepower will be crucial going into the final few weeks of the season.

Next weekend the Irish take on CCHA powerhouse Michigan State. With their CCHA positioning falling fast the past few weeks, Notre Dame needs a win.

Next week the Irish will have to play at their best to stay in contention.

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Belles win, set personal bests

By NATALIE BAILEY
Sports Writer

Swimming for personal bests and not worrying about earning points helped Saint Mary's win Saturday against Albion by the score of 126-118. Saturday's win is Saint Mary's first victory over any MIAA team other than Olivet in the school's history.

"This was one of our best meets of the year," head coach Gregg Petcoff said. "The win really helps to give the women confidence and shows them that all their effort is worth it."

Just beginning its taper, the team looked to drop time at their double dual meet against Hope and Albion Colleges. Some of the most exciting races came in those in which personal records were made.

Also, Meg Ramsey set a new personal best in the 100-yard backstroke with a time of 1:20.88. Ramsey had previously swam 1:22.85 at the Michigan Intercollegiate Association championships.

Meanwhile, Kari Settle swam a personal best of 1:20.05 in the 100-yard breaststroke. She held the previous personal best of 1:21.70 set by Kari Settle at the MIAA championships.

So far this season Saint Mary's has set 11 new personal bests. Six have been set in the 100-yard breaststroke and 10 in the 100-yard backstroke.

The team is going to focus on "sharpening up" in turns, starts, streamline and the little things that make the difference. Junior co-captain Lane Herrington thinks Saturday's victory will add to the team's confidence.

"Now we are looking to surprise some other teams who don't expect a lot from us at our conference meet," said Herrington.

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However, Flecky, the freshman for­ward, kept the Irish in the game in those opening minutes, scoring the first seven points for a Notre Dame squad that had it’s worst shooting game of the season, hitting only 32.1 percent of their shots from the field. Those seven points helped make up the nine that tied Flecky’s career best. Flecky attributed some of that success to feeling in control of her game early on.

"It kind of felt a little like high school when I played my game the way I knew how," she said. "There have been a lot of chances, but it felt like before and I had a lot of confidence going in."

Those seven points set Batteast up to bring the game within one with a trey, before the Irish fell behind by 10 with eight minutes to go in the first half.

"We just couldn’t put the ball in the basket and, really, that was our only problem," McGraw said. "Defensively we played pretty well. We just couldn’t make a shot."

In the first 20 minutes of the game, the Irish shot 25 percent from the field. Fortunately, three of the 10 shots they made were three-pointers. Batteast and Wicks made consecutive treys that allowed Wicks to tie the game with two free throws with four seconds left in the first half. A buzzer­beater by Seton Hall’s Cecilia Lindqvist put the Pirates on top 28-25 at the half.

In the second half, the Irish managed to squeeze out a lead and, thanks to a tightly called game, bring home the win.

Batteast, who had only scored four points in the first half added another 17 points to claim her ninth double­ double of the season with 21 points and 12 rebounds.

"I think she really settled in in the second half," McGraw said. "She was really the player we were looking for."

Although the Irish upped their shoot­ing percentage to 40 in the second half, it was really foul shooting that allowed the victory. In a clearly called game, the two teams together totaled 44 personal fouls.

They called it really tight," McGraw said. "There were a lot of sticky spots. Just really some that we could have done without."

While there were some fouls the Irish could have done without, there were even more fouls that were imper­ative. Notre Dame scored 18 points on 24 trips to the free­throw line in the second half, enough to give them the win.

"We definitely won by free throws," Flecky said. "We’re a pretty good free­throw shooting team and if you put us at the line, I think we can do a lot of damage and I think that was a deter­mining factor."

The Irish took their first lead of the second half on a layup by Haney five minutes into the half and managed to hold onto it for most of that half. In the final minutes, Seton Hall guaranteed that it would not be overbooked, bringing the game within three before Batteast hit two foul shots to put the game away.

Notre Dame will have only a day of rest before the team takes to the road again to face Pittsburgh on Tuesday.

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**Men’s Swimming**

**Notre Dame dominates in win over St. Bonaventure**

By SHEILA EGTS

Sports Writer

The St. Bonaventure men’s swimming and diving team loaded back onto its busses Saturday afternoon, heading home after its 26th loss to Notre Dame in the dual meet’s 35­year history. The Irish con­trolled the meet from beginning to end with first place finishes in 13 out of 13 events.

The Irish squad has been focusing their efforts on mak­ing Big East qualifying times in these final meets and added sophomore Adam Cahill to the Big East roster on Saturday.

After swimming the 50 freestyle time trial in 21.42 seconds, Cahill hugged team­mates and waved up to his mom who had traveled more than six hours from their home in Richmond, Ky. to support him. According to Cahill, the pure adrenaline rush from the team’s encouragement helped him make the 21.42 time cut in the event.

"I could have swam through a brick wall at that point because the team was going crazy for me," said Cahill. "I’m really an emotional swimmer and do it all for the excitement. I know the Big East will be electric."" Cahill was the only Big East qualifier from the meet, but David Horak swam a season­ best time of 1:51.81 in the 200 breaststroke and took a first place finish for the Irish.

Head coach Tim Welsh was pleased with David Missan’s first place finish in the 200 IM at 1:55.76. A time fairly consist­ent with his 11th­ranked Big East qualifying time of 1:54.26.

Andy Maggio set a pool and university record with 383.5 finish in the three­meter diving event. Maggie won the one­ and three­meter diving events with season best scores in both events.


The men swim in their final meet before the Big East Championships against Cleveland St. on Saturday in the Rolls Aquatic Center at 2 p.m.

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The mile relay team also had a lot of success in other races in the meet. Boyd won the 60-meter dash with Dodd finishing behind Boyd in fourth place. Grow and Love finished second and third respectively in the 400-meter dash behind prospective Olympic athlete Foye Williams. Their times were NCAA provisional qualifying times.

Senior Amanda Alvarez was also looking strong on Saturday. Alvarez won the 500-meter run in 1:14.94 to earn her first victory of the season.

Sophomore Megan Johnson, the school record holder in the indoor 1500 meters, was coming into top form on Saturday. Johnson won the mile run in a time of 4:51.39, just three seconds off a NCAA provisional qualifying time.

Jamie Volkmer, after struggling the last two weeks in the pole vault, took first place with a 12-foot vault. Volkmer also took part in the triple jump, an event she has excelled in this year.

Rounding off the strong women's showing was Tamwoha King, taking second place in the long jump by almost 2 feet. Her long jump distance of 20 feet 7 inches was a provisional qualifier.

Senior leadership was also displayed in the men's events, especially by the distance runners.

David Kimani of Alabama won the 5000-meter race with Irish senior flyer Shay right behind him in 13:46.80. Kimani and Shay are ranked first and second respectively in the nation right now in the 5000, and both runners posted NCAA automatic qualifying times. Shay's time was also a personal best time and school record.

Shay and classmate Luke Watson worked off each other in the mile 3000-meter run. They exchanged the lead several times, but in the end it was Watson with a strong kick in the last several hundred meters that pushed him in front of Shay for the win. Their times of 7:54.02 and 7:54.73 respectively, were also NCAA automatic qualifying times.

Senior Sean Zanderson was at his best on Saturday. Zanderson posted a personal best 4:09.12 in the Meyo Mile. The Meyo Mile is famous around the country because it is the race that top runners around the country compete in to try to run a sub-4 minute mile. This year the best time was 4:03.26 by Steve Shearer of Michigan State.

In the regular men's mile, freshman Eric Morrison was on top with a time of 4:09.76. Fellow freshman Dwight Killic had great success in the sprint events. Killic finished second in the 200 meter dash and fourth in the 400 meter dash.

Overall, the Irish had 10 victories in 38 events. Eight runners or teams also qualified for the NCAA indoor championships in March. That is not including the men's distance medley team who qualified last weekend for the indoor championships. Of those 8 qualifiers, five are seniors or included seniors on the team.

Next weekend the Irish look to continue their success at the Windsor Invitational in Windsor, Ontario.

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picked up four fouls each with eight minutes remaining in the game, forcing Brey to give Timmernans and freshman Jordan Cornette some extra court time.

The Pirates, who dropped to 11-10 on the season and 4-5 in the Big East, found some unexpected offensive help to stay in the game. While the usual high-scoring duo of Barrett and Lane contributed 26 points, the Pirates also found some help from quieter players. Manga turned in his best performance of the season with 14 points, an uncharacteristic 3-pointer and 12 rebounds, while Greg Merton, also a traditional post player, connected on two quick 3s to throw the Irish defense off kilter.

John Allen added 10 for the Pirates.

The Irish return to action Wednesday when they take on Rutgers at the Joyce Center.

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Irish finish unblemished season with Michigan defeat

By NOREEN GILLESPIE
Sports Writer

ANN ARBOR, Mich. When Michigan freshman Amy McCollough powered past two Notre Dame swimmers for a win in the 1,650-yard freestyle, the Wolverine bench came alive.

And after Michigan sophomore Emily-Clare Fenn touched the wall for second, the cheering just got louder.

National coach Bailey Weathers stepped out of the locker room and onto Jim Richardson's YMCA team.

"It was a dream," said Richardson, who is now the head coach of Michigan. "Although you asked him to do it, he would try and kill himself to do it."

When Weathers thinks back to his club swimming days, he laughs when he talks about his former coach.

"He was my first coach," he says, with a smile spreading across his face. "And he was hard."

Saturday at the University of Michigan, Weathers and Richardson coached against each other during the Notre Dame-Michigan dual meet. Both of the rivals were coaching in one of their most important dual meet of the season, but animosity was absent.

Weathers and Richardson have been friends since the Notre Dame coach's competitive swimming days, when he began to develop a deep friendship with his swim club coach.

It was when he returned for summer visits during college to train with the Winston-Salem YMCA that Weathers and Richardson's relationship began to be less of a coach-swimmer relationship and more of a peer relationship.

Richardson. "We haven't got a teacher in Bailey who is concerned about those kids far beyond how fast they swim."

Both Richardson and Weathers have steered their teams to national rankings, loaded the rosters with All-Americans and NCAA qualifiers, and can boast numerous conference titles in their tenures as head coach.

That makes for hostile contested duals between Michigan and Notre Dame. Since beginning the series in 1992-93, Michigan has won the match-up four times. But Weathers Irish have snatched the last three victories from Michigan, letting the series record stand at 4-3.

Still, that doesn't make coaching against his friend and mentor easy.

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"It's one of those relationships in sports that makes doing what you do very special," Richardson said. "Of course, he wants to see his kids get their hands on the wall first, too. But that doesn't get in the way of what's more important, and that's our relationship."

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focused on being undefeated," said Irish head coach Bailey Weathers. "But I think it gave us something to fight for at the end of the season."

For the seniors who competed in the final dual meet of their collegiate careers, the achievement hadn't quite sunk in.

"We knew this was a possibility," said co-captain Maureen Hillemeyer. "It's kind of a rush of emotion right now. It's all a little unreal."

The senior class had standout performances throughout the Michigan competition, headlined by senior Carrie Nixon's wins in the 50-yard freestyle (23.06 seconds) and the 100-yard freestyle (51.10), senior Heather Mattingly won both the 1-meter and 3-meter diving events, senior Kelly Hacking won the 100-yard backstroke (56.54).

Even though the upper-classmen's performances sealed the victory, the Irish struggled to establish the lead at the start.

A win and a fourth in the 400-yard medley relay put the Irish ahead 12-4 after the first event, but the McCollough-Fenn finish in the 1,650-yard freestyle tied the score at 15-15.

The tie was only temporary.

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WOMEN'S SWIMMING

Former swimmer, coach meet on opposites sides of pool

By NOREEN GILLESPIE
Sports Writer

ANN ARBOR, Mich. On a pool deck in North Carolina years ago, 14-year-old Bailey Weathers stepped out of the locker room and onto Jim Richardson's YMCA team.

The teenage breastroker and distance freestyler wasn't the best kid on the team, but he had a work ethic far and beyond the other athletes, Richardson remembers.

"He wanted to do anything he could to get better," said Richardson, who is now the head coach of Michigan. "Anything you asked him to do as a coach he would try and kill himself to do it."

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"He was my first coach," he says, with a smile spreading across his face. "And he was hard."

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Weathers and Richardson have been friends since the Notre Dame coach's competitive swimming days, when he began to develop a deep friendship with his swim club coach.

It was when he returned for summer visits during college to train with the Winston-Salem YMCA that Weathers and Richardson's relationship began to be less of a coach-swimmer relationship and more of a peer relationship.

Richardson, said co-captain Maureen Hillemeyer. "It's kind of a rush of emotion right now. It's all a little unreal."

The senior class had standout performances throughout the Michigan competition, headlined by senior Carrie Nixon's wins in the 50-yard freestyle (23.06 seconds) and the 100-yard freestyle (51.10), senior Heather Mattingly won both the 1-meter and 3-meter diving events, senior Kelly Hacking won the 100-yard backstroke (56.54).

Even though the upper-classmen's performances sealed the victory, the Irish struggled to establish the lead at the start.

A win and a fourth in the 400-yard medley relay put the Irish ahead 12-4 after the first event, but the McCollough-Fenn finish in the 1,650-yard freestyle tied the score at 15-15.

The tie was only temporary.

The Irish surged ahead with a 1-3 finish in the 400-yard medley relay put the Irish on guard, however, according to the Upper Midwest coaches' poll. "We were a little thrown off, Richardson said. "Of course, we want to see my kids get their hands on the wall first — and I want to see my kids get their hands on the wall first.

But that doesn't get in the way of what's more important, and that's our relationship."

"I need to get some faster swimmers in here," he laughs. "Because he's kicked up the last three years in a row."

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FOURTH AND INCHES

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I GUESS I'LL JUST BUG MYSELF WITH THESE CHOCOLATE CHIP COOKIES, THEN.

TOM KEELEY

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1. Cry a river (11)

2. N.Y. Islanders' org.

3. Bob of "The West Wing"

4. Turquoise (5)

5. Loud as a crack

6. Brilliant (12)

7. Wreck From (ship command)

8. Rob of "The West Wing"

9. On one's back

10. Item in an order

11. Height: Abbr.

12. 7 up, e.g.

13. Train tracks

14. 4 French port

15. Two-way toggler

16. Scratch inducer

17. The Oz" figure

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28. 7 up, e.g.

29. Rossword

30. Lord's mate

31. N.Y. Islanders' org.

32. Stuck

33. "That's a laugh"

34. Doomsday

35. Bridge bid,

36. 7 up, e.g.

37. Like bachelor parties

38. Hotly greeting

39. Bridge bid,

40. "Get your hands up" (ship command)

41. "Here goes!"

42. 21 Antique auto

43. Move like a snake

44. "You kidding?"

45. "The Wizard of Oz" figure

46. "You kidding?"

47. 21 Antique auto

48. Get busy and do for yourself.

49. "That's a laugh"

50. "You kidding?"

51. "You kidding?"

52. Move like a snake

53. "The Wizard of Oz" figure

54. "You kidding?"

55. At the site

56. "Pipe down!"

57. "Here goes!"

58. "You kidding?"

59. "Oh, man!"

60. "You kidding?"

61. "Pipe down!"

62. "Here goes!"

63. "Pipe down!"

64. "Here goes!"

65. "Pipe down!"

66. "Here goes!"

67. "Pipe down!"

68. "Here goes!"

69. "Pipe down!"

70. "Here goes!"

DOWN

1. Alphas' followers

2. "Your hand"

3. "Lupin of High Sierra"

4. French port

5. Gift

6. Luxuriant

7. Thief

8. Piece with pay

9. Move like a snake

10. "Lupin of High Sierra"

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Irish earn 63-61 win at Seton Hall

By KERRY SMITH
Sports Writer

Quick thinking by Ryan Humphrey in the waning seconds of Notre Dame's conference showdown at Seton Hall Sunday propelled the Irish to a 63-61 win over the Pirates at the Meadowlands.

In a closely matched game with 11 lead changes and four points separating the teams, the ball ended up in the hands of forward Ryan Humphrey in the waning seconds of regulation.

Humphrey pulled down the rebound and connected on a long pass down court to Irish point guard Chris Thomas who tossed the open ball in the lay-up with 2.8 seconds left on the clock for the game-winning point.

After two consecutive timeouts, the Pirates had one last look at the basket, but forward Charles Mungo failed to drain a wide-open 3-pointer at the buzzer, giving the Irish their second win over the Pirates in just eight days.

Forward David Graves proved a spark off the bench for the 15-6 Irish, as the game-high scorer with 20 points. Darius Lane was the high-scorer for the Pirates with 17.

While the Irish skated out another conference win, they struggled to put points on the board early in the first half.

The Pirates came out strong at the opening buzzer with two quick 3s from Lane and a short jumper by Barrett for an 8-0 lead before the Irish got on the board with a Humphrey ghost shot for two.

The Pirates then ran the score to 15-3 for their largest lead of the game before the Irish connected on their first field goal attempt more than eight minutes into the half.

Sputtered by two baskets on straight possessions by forwards Harold Swaganag, the Irish switched up the tempo, and went on a 12-0 run to bring the Irish to within one at 15-14.

The two teams traded baskets and the Irish finally

Irish overcome slow start for win

By KATIE MCVOY
Assistant Sports Writer

Your mom always said it’s a bad idea to go home past your bedtime. But that advice might not have hit home for five Irish players until Saturday at tip-off as the Irish squeaked by St. John’s 76-60.

A late-night Friday dinner (along with Kelsey Wicks) sent five players, including four starters, to the hotel after curfew. Of Notre Dame’s usual starting lineup—Aliya Ratay, Jackie Batten, LeTania Severe, Amanda McGraw, and Ericka Hines—only Ratay was at the hotel when the 11 o’clock curfew rolled around. For that reason, only Ratay was on the court for the Thursday game.

“For tonight’s game, I am more excited to be starting,” said Ratay. “It’s been a little rough tonight, but that’s what we need. I am just excited to be starting and to be on the court.”

The new starting line-up, radically different than any other combination this season, left the Irish a little shaken in the opening minutes of the game. Seton Hall had more than eight minutes left before McGraw started playing in some of the usual starting line-up.

“The change did affect the team,” McGraw said. “But the Irish have already

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Patriots upset Rams

Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS

The New England Patriots made this a Super Bowl to remember — for all the right reasons.

Adam Vinatieri kicked a 48-yard field goal as time expired, capping a thrilling final two minutes and giving the Patriots a 17-14 win over No. 2 1 Pittsburgh.

Vinatieri's 24th field goal of the season proved to be a career best and helped the Patriots win their first Super Bowl title.

The winning field goal came after the Patriots had lost a 17-3 lead in the final 10 minutes. The winning kick came on a drive that started with two consecutive touchdowns by the Patriots.

Brady was just 16-for-27 for 145 yards, compared to 28-66-46 for Warner. But Brady, a fourth-string rookie last year, was mistake-free while Warner, a two-time league MVP, threw two interceptions and the Rams also lost a fumble that set up a score.

The key play in the final drive was a 23-yard pass from Brady to Troy Brown to the St. Louis 36.

Three plays later came the kick by Vinatieri, who had made three field goals in the snow to tie the score at 14 with 41 seconds left.

Three points later came the kick in the final drive from Brady to Troy Brown to the St. Louis 36.

The Patriots won on a day filled with patriotic themes inside the Superdome and high security outside. Fans were urged to show up five hours early and giving the Patriots a huge advantage.

The Patriots — wearing red, white and blue — went out and proved this a Super Bowl to remember — for all the right reasons.

After bypassing individual pregame introductions in favor of running on to the field as a team, the Patriots — wearing jerseys splashed with red, white and blue — went out and

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AT A GLANCE

Men's basketball vs. Rutgers, Wednesday, 9 p.m.
Women's basketball at Pittsburgh, Tuesday, 7 p.m.
Fencing, Ohio State duals at Ohio State, Saturday, 9 a.m.