Tickets face off at run-off debate

BY JASON McFARLEY
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In private, the two remaining tickets for Notre Dame student body president and vice president were amiable in the 10 minutes immediately prior to their debate Tuesday.

The four candidates, all acquaintances, joked and laughed with each other as they probably had at student government meetings or residence hall parties in the past.

They looked and sounded more like pals than political opponents.

Then, in public, running mates Brian Moscona and Keri Oxley and Libby Bishop and Tiffy Foley lined up on opposite sides of the Hesburgh Library auditorium stage and did for the first time what they had wanted to do since the campaign season began last month: communicate.

The debate, a face-off between the tickets that emerged as the top vote-getters in Monday's primary elections, was candidates' first chance to question directly each other's experience and goals.

They took full advantage of the opportunity.

Vice-presidential candidate Oxley challenged several of Bishop and Foley's platform ideas — revamping Freshmen Orientation, organizing a "Weekend in Williamsburg" tour for the new head football coach and installing detox entry systems for residence halls — as plans student leaders and University administrators have already begun.

"I just want to make sure that the projects were underway," presidential hopeful Bishop responded. "That's a fundamental principle that we need to pass on from these things. But work on these issues is not finished.

Moscona, the current student body vice president, countered, saying that his office had spent countless hours researching and planning the initiatives and looked forward to bringing them to completion.

"I just wish students knew how many hours you were putting into it," Bishop said, emphasizing the need for student government to communicate more effectively with its constituency. Bishop and Foley further contested their rivals' ability to communicate well, asking whether Moscona and Oxley would represent student concerns to administrators.

"Absolutely," Moscona said. "Keri [the current sophomore class president] and I have established relationships with administrators. We'll work to improve the lines of communication with students.

Bishop replied with a swift barb: "I just feel like it's a little late," she said, apparently in reference to student displeasure with University officials' crackdown on tailgating.

"I wish communication had been open more last semester," Moscona protested Bishop and Foley on the tailgating issue. He asked how they expected to interact next fall with administrators who have vowed to continue their tough stance against underage drinking and alcohol-focused tailgaters before home football games.

Bishop answered that Father Mark Foley, vice president for Student Affairs, hadn't offered an explanation of why officials cracked down or presented a clear definition of the school's tailgating rules. That wasn't true, according to Moscona, because Poormann in a full-page Observer advertisement last fall addressed the concerns.

Foley rebutted. "He didn't say what the policy was in clear language."

The Bishop-Foley ticket, which has campaigned on the idea of eliminating repetitive student government-sponsored programming, faced questions from Moscona and Oxley about a lack of spiritual, service and academic-oriented goals on its platform.

Bishop and Foley said objectives such as "Grab 'n Give" food collections and distinguished lecturer series satisfy those areas.

"I think we spoke earlier about overlap... Oxley responded, pointing out that many University clubs and departments already sponsor Grab 'n Give and lecture series.

Bishop said their opponents' platform presented discrepancies of its own. Moscona and Oxley have campaigned on the issue of creating less programming and facilitating other clubs' events.

"It's contradicting to say that you're not going to sponsor programming, as I feel most of your platform is," Bishop said about its fifth consecutive year, is a week-long series of talks sponsored by the colleges to encourage morality and ethical practice both in job settings and other areas of life.

"The practitioners of various professions should be held to the highest standard," said Malloy. However, Malloy warned that one's code of ethics must not only be applied to oneself, but also to the actions of others.

"Judgments about hard cases involving people you know are very difficult to make," said Malloy. Malloy said the safety and care of others must come before hiding the wrongdoings of a colleague. If a doc-

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"Sex and the City's" author advises aspiring writers

BY SHEILA EGTS
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Candace Bushnell, author of the popular best-seller "Sex and the City," stood blankly at the crowd in Washington Hall last night after receiving some notable information about her audience.

"I sort of don't know what I'm doing here because I just found out that the students here are more conservative and well, I'm not," Bushnell said frankly at the opening of the lecture. "I was going to read from my books, but I've been told maybe I'm not supposed to do that either.

While she planned on discussing the ethics of journalism in the 21st century, Bushnell threw that plan out the window and had the audience in the palm of her hand as she told personal anecdotes from her climb to the top of her field.

Bushnell started working as a journalist because she needed to pay her rent, but she knew she wanted to be a famous writer. She started small, and one of her first jobs actually involved sharpening pencils for other writers in the office.

"I don't know if anyone really wants to hear about the ethics of journalism and how it has changed. But I guess that's one way the field of journalism has changed. Twenty years ago, people used pencils," Bushnell said.

As she advanced in the journalism field, Bushnell planned her whole career in a way that would eventually lead her to a career as a novelist. She began writing a regular column that addressed relationships between men and women among Manhattan's elite. The columns were later combined into her first book, "Sex and the City."

"My column started out in first person, but then I created Carrie Bradshaw because I didn't want my parents to read it and know what I was really doing," said Bushnell. "It was horrifying, the dating experiences that happened to me and my friends. But every bad date led at least 2 or 3 good characters, so you can get some use out of those guys."

As a writer, Bushnell said she tends to find the uncommon character that is interesting to write and read about to keep readers turning the pages. She attempts to look at human nature without being shy about discussing the "underbelly" of human nature.

Bushnell did not design her novels to encourage people to go out and have random sex. Rather, she portrayed characters that would make readers think twice about what they are getting themselves into.

"I am trying to get people to ask what they will really get out of these kinds of relationships. I try to make at least recommend that they don't end up like any of my character because these women are really messed up," Bushnell said.

Bushnell said she felt pressure from her empty bank account to produce another novel and wrote her second best seller, "Four Blondes." She is currently working on her third novel and has nearly completed the first draft. She advised aspiring writers to be disciplined by getting up every day and working even if it's just a term paper.

"Follow your dreams, or at least chase some hunky guys," Bushnell said.

In response to popular demand from the audience, Bushnell concluded by reading two clips from her novels featuring characters based on real-life dating disasters, Bushnell was the last speaker featured in the weeklong Sophomore Literary Festival.

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Inside Column

Meatless Fridays

Ash Wednesday kicks off one of the most important and longest running traditions at Notre Dame and Saint Mary’s. No, I am not talking about the celebration of the death and resurrection of Christ is surely important but doesn’t seem to incite the passion and debate that this other tradition does. Ash Wednesday is the official start to the “Complain about not having meat in the dining halls on Fridays” season. Even as you eat your Blazin’ Sea Nuggets or whatever other meatless contraption the dining halls are serving out today, in the box at Viewpoints, 240 hdr ed is already filling with complaints about the injustice of giving a meatless diet on Fridays whether the authors are practicing Catholics or not.

Shortly after a few of these letters run in the paper, the in box will fill with more letters attacking the first set of letters. These letters will attack the basic message that giving up meat is a sacrifice for Christ and that it is only a tiny thing we can do to remember his suffering.

Next will come the retort from the first group expressing that without the option of meat in the dining halls, there can be no choice to choose a meatless meal and therefore, no true sacrifice. This debate will continue back and forth for a few days until finally all the letters just repeat themselves and Viewpoints stops publishing them. It’s all a big non issue.

So please, just stop.

There are greater injustices in this world than eating spaghetti with tomato sauce and no meatballs once a week. There are greater crimes than whether or not you can have a steak. If you really want some beef on Friday, go to LaFortune and order a Whopper.

As far as the logic of choice and sacrifice, the pro-meat on Friday people are exactly right. If the dining hall doesn’t offer the choice of meat on Fridays then it really isn’t a sacrifice to eat the fish sandwich rather than the non-existent cheeseburger. You can argue logically as much as you want but that still won’t change the menu.

Logical argument seems to have no effect on the administration and University big wigs. At the same time, you can’t honestly expect a Catholic school to break out of its own dogmatic traditions.

If you are really concerned about making a true meat sacrifice today and every Friday until Easter, walk through LAFortune before heading to your residence hall. If you are really concerned about making a true meat sacrifice today and every Friday until Easter, walk through LAFortune before heading to your residence hall. If you are really concerned about making a true meat sacrifice today and every Friday until Easter, walk through LAFortune before heading to your residence hall. If you are really concerned about making a true meat sacrifice today and every Friday until Easter, walk through LAFortune before heading to your residence hall.

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Duke smoking ban follows national pattern

DURHAM, N.C.

Although Duke University’s decision to institute a smoking ban in residence halls has elicited mixed reaction, the policy follows the lead of many schools nationwide as administrators cite the need to protect students’ health.

“If the University bans smoking in academic and administrative buildings, banning it from a place where students live 24-7 is reasonable,” said Larry Moneta, vice president for student affairs, adding that the policy will help foster a healthier living environment for students.

Many other universities have similar policies. The University of California at Berkeley originally banned smoking in all university-owned facilities except residence halls, but the school expanded the ban to dorms five years ago.

“I never heard any complaints or problems,” said Michelle Knuff, assistant director of assignments and cashier for UC-Berkeley Housing and Dining Services. “There are less than 200 smokers out of 5,300 students; so there’s really no issue about it.”

Duke University instituted a smoking ban in all undergraduate housing last semester, and in fall 2002, the policy will extend to on-campus graduate and family housing.

“The overall reaction was one of great acceptance,” said Bill Schnackel, Purdue’s senior director for university relations.

“I don’t recall anyone being angry about it. Smokers are finding areas to smoke, and we’re even allowing non-smokers for non-smoking rooms because of lingering odors and so forth,” Schnackel said. Buildings were initially designated as either smoking or non-smoking, but separating out the smoking and non-smoking areas became too complex, he said, so Purdue decided to ban smoking entirely.

At Duke, the impetus for the ban was a Campus Council resolution in the fall, although University administrators have been discussing the issue for several years.

Beyond Campus

Student kills parents, takes own life

MISSOULA, Mont.

University of Montana student Jared Hope killed his parents and then shot himself while visiting the family’s Whitefish, Mont., home over the weekend, Whitefish Police Chief Bill Dial said. No one told Tim Gibbins, Hope’s roommate in Craig Hall, until Monday morning. “He didn’t seem like a violent person,” Gibbins told the Kainain Monday. “I’m shocked. I think what he did is disgusting.”

Gibbins said he met Hope two weeks ago when both were assigned to a room in Craig Hall. Both were transfer students, Gibbins said, and most of their time was spent in class. Hope’s mother had called last week and left a message on the answering machine, Gibbins said. “She left a message saying she was looking forward to seeing him,” Gibbins said. The bodies of 24-year-old Jared Hope and parents Chester and Carol were found by a neighbor who went to the home Sunday morning to meet one of them for a ski trip.

University of Montana

Student kills parents, takes own life

SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY

Newspaper editors apologize

SYRACUSE, N.Y.

The topic of racism dominated the debate of Syracuse University’s Student Association meeting on Monday night, as many members expressed anger and concern about a comic published in Monday’s issue of The Daily Orange. The cartoon, “Posthumously,” by Matt Cohen and Devin Tanchum, was seen as racially insensitive because of its depiction of a black man breaking into the home of a white man. The student response to the comic-led assembly members Anthony Biussereth, Giri Weinstein and SA Vice President Shawn Hardie to draft a resolution asking for a formal written apology by the paper and the immediate ban of paper distribution on campus. This problem comes just one day after stricter policies regarding comic publication were instituted by the paper. Both Editor in Chief Tito Bottitta and Managing Editor Ashleigh Graf explained to the Assembly that the paper required all comic artists to attend a meeting Sunday night.

Local Weather

5 Day South Bend Forecast

The AccuWeather forecast for daytime conditions and high temperatures

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Lines separate high/low temperature zones for the day.
Talk suggests sanctions as a measure to combat terrorism

By JOE ACKERMAN
News Writer

A dangling carrot drew a sizable crowd to room C-103 of the Hesburgh Center on Tuesday afternoon.

The carrot, in the form of the lecture, "Carrots, Sticks, and the War on Terrorism: Sharpening Economic Statecraft," was presented by Kroc Institute fellows George Lopez and David Cortright.

The pair's presentation focused on the role of economic sanctions in the ongoing struggle against terrorists and the states that harbor them. According to Lopez, the commonly held view among U.S. officials is that sanctions are an effective tool for helping stop terrorism. Effective utilization of lifting sanctions in order to gain support of other countries, similar to the dangling carrot, when coupled with the issuing of new sanctions, is effective work together to battle terrorists.

One of the primary goals of the U.S. right now is to disrupt the financial infrastructure of the al-Qaeda network, Lopez said.

"It is not necessarily the ability to break the back but instead to slip a disc," Lopez responded to a question from an audience member regarding the viability and potential impact of this goal.

So far, this task has proved problematic in some respects because of difficulties that arise from monitoring and controlling the finances of individuals. Cortright pointed out that these difficulties are do in large part to the accuracy and reliability of name recognition software, varying English translations of similar names, and remedies available to those who believe that those assets have been wrongly frozen.

"Systems are nice in theory, but sometimes the practical application of them can be difficult," Cortright said.

Sanctions and the freezing of assets have come to be viewed as a viable strategy due to previous successes in combating suspected terror, such as what took place in Sudan during the 1990s. According to Lopez, shortly after the UN Security council demanded the extradition of terror suspects and imposed diplomatic sanctions in 1996, Sudan was certifying that Osama Bin Laden had been expelled from the country and al-Qaeda was closing its camps in the country. Four years later, Sudan had signed all 12 international conventions for combating terrorism.

According to Lopez and Cortright, the U.S. State Department's list of countries suspected of harboring terrorists yields considerable influence internationally. The men argued that countries on the list are greatly inclined to participate in activities that will help them get off the list and thus be relieved of the sanctions that come with being a part of the list. Cortright went on to offer the suggestion that incentives could be used to minimize the potential of terror developing in certain countries.

"I think the time is long passed that the U.S. cooperate more with states such as Iran, Sudan and Libya," Cortright said.

Cortright and Lopez offered the idea that countries could be removed from the State Department list for cooperating with anti-terror measures, but that a large-scale cooperative plan is unlikely because of U.S. reluctance.

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USA Today pilots readership program

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On Monday, Saint Mary’s students may have been surprised to find complimentary issues of USA Today, The Chicago Sun-Times, and The Elkhart Truth in every residence hall. The papers were donated for a four-week pilot participation in USA Today’s Collegiate Readership Program.

More than 170 other colleges and universities across the country are currently a part of the readership program which aims to increase students’ readership and knowledge of current events. “People don’t necessarily go out and buy papers, but if they’re right in front of them on their way to class, they are more likely to read them,” Tracie Sexton, Senior Account Manager from USA Today, said.

Sexton, along with representatives from each of the participating newspapers, came to Saint Mary’s campus Tuesday to distribute surveys to learn about students’ current readership habits. A post-survey will be administered at the end of the pilot to gauge the program’s affect on students’ usage of the papers. Results from the two surveys are compiled by an out service. It is then the College’s choice whether to make the program a permanent fixture on campus after the free, no-obligation pilot is over.

Jerry Madsen, the assistant director for residence life, was involved in bringing the program to campus and says that the decision to keep the program will be made two to three weeks after the completion of the pilot. “The pilot program will determine if, one, we can afford it, two, we can afford it, will it be worth it?” Madsen said.

If the College decides to continue the program after the pilot, The South Bend Tribune may possibly decide to participate. Mike Lee, The South Bend Tribune’s Circulation Director, said the paper is not contributing to the pilot for financial reasons, but that they are willing to speak further with Saint Mary’s and USA Today on the issue.

“We chose at this time not to be involved in the pilot program. It’s nothing against Saint Mary’s or the program. We’ll continue to deliver individually wherever we can,” said Lee.

During the pilot, the number of papers left on the racks in the residence halls will be counted each day to form a rough estimate of how much the program will cost the College. If the readership program is enacted, the college will pay only for the papers that are taken. Remaining papers are deducted from the bill.

Sexton said the cost to continue the program is typically around $10 to $15 per student per year, whereas a regular subscription to a paper is about $70 per year. She also said that other colleges usually implement this cost into student or activity fees.

The readership program began at Penn State University in 1997 and USA Today took over the coordination and distribution in the fall of 1999. “Every college campus exists to a certain degree in a bubble — this program works to burst that bubble,” said Madsen.

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Voter or businessman has drug or alcohol problem, which is affecting his interactions with his patients, then one must intervene for the benefit of everyone involved.

First, Malloy noted, one must have credentials — specialized training in the area or field in which he or she wants to work. Second, they must have certification, such as a master’s degree or a Ph.D., which gives validity and title to all of the preparation that they have done in order to prepare for the career.

Finally, Malloy stressed the fact that an individual can only be truly successful in the most complete sense if he or she also lives by a certain code of ethics that governs their actions in both their personal and professional life.

In illustrating this point Malloy offered the example of someone entering the medical field. As part of the territory in health care, physicians typically deal with patients when they are at their most vulnerable, Malloy said. As a result of this imbalance of power, doctors and nurses must be certain not to violate their patient’s rights in their weakened state, by sticking to an ethical code to guide their actions. This principle also holds true in the vocation of the priesthood, said Malloy. When members of the church came to seek counsel and forgiveness through the sacrament of penance and reenlistment, it is the duty of the priest never to reveal these confessions to anyone, even in a court of law.

“Of all the established professions have at times taken major hits,” Malloy said in reference to the recent unethical practices of ENRON. However, in the spirit of the upcoming Ethics week, Malloy encourages graduate and undergraduate students to attain and live by a code of ethics in order to ensure their complete success as they venture out into the real world.

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Moosona and Oxley’s platform that features several festivals and carnival-type events. Oxley told them that they had "the wrong idea about our platform." At another point, Moosona and Oxley played up Moosona’s experience as vice president, questioning Bishop’s fitness to take over the presidency.

The student body president chairs such groups as the Campus Life Council, Executive Cabinet and is usually closely involved with the Student Senate and other Student Union committees.

"You’ve never been to the CLC or other meetings," Moosona said to Bishop, who worked with last year when he was sophomore class president and she was vice president. "Having no experience with what these groups do, how will you lead them?" Bishop, who studied abroad in London last semester, said, "When you take a step back (from involvement in student government), you gain insight. Leadership is not how many hours you spend on the second floor of LaFortune."

The run-off election is Thursday. On-campus students vote from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. near the first-floor DeBartolo Hall computer cluster.

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Pakistani police escort suspects allegedly involved in the kidnapping of American journalist Daniel Pearl to a hearing in court in Karachi Tuesday. For security reasons the suspects were cuffed and hooded.

**Pakistani arrest kidnappers**

*Associated Press*

**KARACHI**

Police arrested a British-born Islamic militant Tuesday they say masterminded the kidnapping of Wall Street Journal reporter Daniel Pearl — the biggest break yet in the quest to free him. An official close to the investigation said the suspect told police Pearl is alive.

Ahmad Omar Saeed Sheikh, 27, was arrested Tuesday afternoon in the eastern city of Lahore, according to Tassneem Noorani, a senior official of Pakistan's Interior Ministry. Saeed was flown to Karachi late Tuesday for further questioning, the government news agency reported.

Saeed, 27, is one who is highly educated and one who would feel is a hard nut to crack," Karachi Police Chief Kamal Shah said. "I don't think it would be very easy to break him straight away. It would take time I feel before we get all the details about Daniel from his interrogation." Saeed's capture followed an intensive, nationwide manhunt. Pearl, 38, the Journal's South Asia bureau chief, disappeared Jan. 23 on his way to meet with Islamic extremist contacts. Jamil Yusuf, head of a citizen-police liaison committee involved in the investigation, said Saeed told police that threats to kill Pearl were not carried out.

**Barry White serenades sharks**

*Associated Press*

**BIRMINGHAM, England**

Ten resolutely celibate sharks at the National Sea Life Center are getting a blast of Barry White in hopes they'll get in the mood. "Can't get enough of your love, babe" and "You're the first, the last, my everything," has been blasting out of the loudspeakers at 10 top sharks, five male, five female. Curator Josie Sutherland said Tuesday that staff have been impressed by U.S. research showing fish are not only affected by music but are sensitive to different types.

"We're hoping that the music will tempt them into feeling more romantic," Sutherland said. Researchers at the Rowland Institute for Science in Cambridge, Mass., tested various sounds on koi carp and found that music relaxed them and put them in the mood. Sutherland said after the first blast of Barry White, the top seemed a bit more excited and chased each other round the tank. But that's as far as they've gotten.

"We'll know if they are likely to mate as the male dances the female and tries to lure her back and paternal fins in the early stages of courtship," Sutherland said. The top sharks swim in a showpiece 210,000-gallon tank with dogfish and stary smoothhound fish. The fish, however, have no need for atmospherics. All have been bred successfully at the center. The music is only being piped into the visitor tunnel that surrounds the tank. "But if we have to, we'll get an underwater speaker."
Lecture addresses the battle of the sexes

By KATIE RAND
News Writer

Basically, men and women are different from each other. That's the point Saint Mary's professor drilled home in an informal lecture called "He Said, She Said" Tuesday night in the Women's Resource Center. Ella Harmeyer, a nursing professor, said the differences boil down to communication.

"We process differently, and that's what often gets us in trouble," Harmeyer said.

"When there's a problem, women like to hear themselves talk. We just want to vent," Harmeyer explained.

"When we talk we're often going on to something else or doing two things at once, so we don't really hear what is being said," Harmeyer said. "We're wishing away today to get on to the next thing and not living in the present."

Ella Harmeyer
SMC professor

"We're wishing away today to get on to the next thing and not living in the present."

One phrase commonly used in communication books is that "women internalize, men externalize," Harmeyer said.

This difference has the potential to cause problems between the sexes since women are more vocal about their problems then their male counterparts.

Harmeyer suggested that this comes from men's fear of appearing weak.

Another common problem is the difference between listening and hearing. In this day and age listening is becoming a lost art, Harmeyer said.

"When we talk we're often out doing something else or doing two things at once, so we don't really hear what is being said," Harmeyer said. "We're wishing away today to get on to the next thing and not living in the present."

One other difference is that women often make assumptions about their relationships. Women assume that they're significant others will know how they feel before vocalizing it.

"Last time I checked extrasensory perception was not a gift that God gave men!" Harmeyer said.

She also said that people wrongly assume they can "fix" their significant others later so they put problems on the back burner.

This misconception that behaviors will change as the relationship intensifies can lead to problems and disappointment.

"If he spends every Sunday watching football and drinking beer, why would you think he'll start going to the opera once you sign the marriage license?" Harmeyer said.

"For the guy, it's just something on his To Do list that he'll get to later," Harmeyer said.

"For us, when he does it, this shows how much he cares. We think that if he waits until tomorrow or doesn't do it at all that he must not care any more." Another problem that women bring on themselves is that they too often resort to negative self-talk, which men do not do as frequently.

For example, if a guy has not called after three days, the female immediately assumes there is something wrong with her and blames it on herself.

They never stop to think that maybe he had a good reason or that maybe it was his fault.

The discussion was sponsored by The Community Leadership Team, a group that started after last year's conference.

The group is trying to make the Women's Resource Center more visible on the Saint Mary's campus.

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Trigiani relives influential roots at Saint Mary's

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Adriana Trigiani put Saint Mary's College in her novels not just because she went to the school, but because it fit the story and the characters.

In fact, Ave Maria Mulligan's attendance is a pivotal point of "Big Stone Gap." Trigiani's bestseller, and also affects Trigiani's upcoming novel, "Milk Glass Moon," which will come out in July of this year.

"Ave Maria went there because I wanted her to go to a women's college, that was Catholic in origin," Trigiani said. In the third book, Ave Maria tries to get her daughter to go there, and Eta does not want to go. "A person is really formed here," Trigiani said. "I took [Sister Jean Klein's Shakespeare] class twice, the second time I just took it to listen and enjoy and gain knowledge.

Trigiani revealed in her lecture that she had been shy, an admission met with roars of laughter from the chairs in front of her. "I learned bravery here," Trigiani said. "Max [Westler] would make us get up and read our poetry in class. I was shy about it but the poetry really helped me. You were getting behind yourself and saying 'This is what I am.'"

Trigiani was so moved by her own experiences at Saint Mary's that she could not resist a plug for the school in her books.

Trigiani ended her visit to the Saint Mary's/Notre Dame community as a guest of the Sophomore Literary Festival with a trip to her alma mater, where she spoke with The Observer, met with faculty and friends, and talked to students and staff alike about her experiences as a writer. "If you keep falling in love with the process of writing it's easy," Trigiani said. "It is such a part of my psychology — if I didn't do it, I'd die. Everything else I do comes from writing."

Trigiani graduated from Saint Mary's in 1981 with a degree in Visual and Performing Arts and headed to New York. By the mid-1980's, Trigiani was writing for noted sitcoms like The Cosby Show and A Different World. She supplemented her income by working in the mailrooms of financial institutions.

Trigiani wrote, directed, and produced "Queens of the Bigtime," a documentary about her father's family, set in Roseto, Pa. "I was born in Roseto," Trigiani. "We moved to Big Stone Gap when I was little." When that film won several awards, she was approached with an offer to do her next movie. She began work on a screenplay that would eventually become "Big Stone Gap."

Once the book was finished, Trigiani gave it to Gluck and the rest is history. "Milk Glass Moon," the third installment of the "Big Stone Gap" novels, goes into production this Friday.

The plot of the third novel is especially important to Trigiani now that she is expecting her first child. "I'm pregnant," Trigiani announced to her audiences at Notre Dame and Saint Mary's. "Six months into her pregnancy, Trigiani has no qualms about either finishing the third book, beginning the filming process on Big Stone Gap, or even starting a fourth book. "My mother will babysit while I'm shooting the film," Trigiani said. Both of her parents still live in Big Stone Gap. "It felt like I needed to be established before I had a baby. A year off now is not going to kill me. I think it all depends on how you live your life. "Milk Glass Moon" comes from an old farmer's saying of a cloudy night, that there is a "milk glass over the moon." Trigiani first heard it in a poem she read while at Saint Mary's. "The crux of the book is when you have a child and they don't turn out to be what you wanted them to be," Trigiani said. She also hinted that the book would answer readers' questions left over from the second book, "Big Cherry Holler."

The film Big Stone Gap, written, directed and produced by Trigiani, will be filmed in its natural setting. Trigiani is in the casting stage of production.

"We really have to see if we might do it," Trigiani said. "You could walk past a dormitory and hear laughter, and you would know Adri was there. Adri is going for nothing less than the entire world. What this world needs is the wisdom that comes with a good laugh."

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It's that time of year again when walls are filled with colorful decorations in the elementary schools around town. It is February. No, unfortunately I am not talking about Valentine's Day, but rather Black History Month.

Yes, it's that time of year, 28 days when blacks are actually recognized for having some influence in this country. Twenty-eight days for teachers to pack all the information into their restless students' minds that they can about blacks in the United States.

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I am writing this letter in response to Seth Hiland's Feb. 11 letter entitled, "Arafat should not be tolerated." I do not feel that Arafat should be tolerated and that his actions have proven that he is an ineffectitive leader in the peace process. However, Mr. Hiland's view on the situation is whole is disturbing. He claims that the "number of Israelis killed by Arab terrorists in the years since the Oslo Accords has been higher than in the 10 years prior."

He also describes how Israeli efforts of patience do not have anything to show over the past 20 years and describes how Israel has "taken more drastic steps toward holding the Palestinians accountable for their actions." The Palestinians have not agreed to peace and extremists have stepped up suicide bombings in the last 16 months.

This is all true and cannot be disputed. However, Mr. Hiland's letter failed to address that is not the so-called Palestinian leadership are the problem, but the problem is with our own society. We have so much education and yet we lack the ability to express our emotions and just live? May we say? What about the hours of the picture? The Palestinians do not agree to peace because their land, which they believe is given to them by God himself, is not in their possession. And let us not forget that this is the land from which they were forced from their land after World War II to form the state of Israel, which resulted in the refugee camps in Lebanon, Jordan and the surrounding area now home to thousands of refugees.

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In the media the sway over the situation. All you have to do is look at the pictures, not the biased text that is sympathetic to Israel. What do you see when you see Israelis in the Associated Press? You see soldiers with M-16s, reports of Palestinian homes being bulldozed and F-16s bombing things. What do you see when you see Palestinians in the Associated Press? You see young men 15 to 30 years old throwing rocks with their faces covered to protect from tear gas. What does this tell you about who has the power in this region? It certainly isn't the Palestinians. America is backing us, the United States, which is why M-16s and F-16s find their way into the control of an Israeli soldier. Yes, the number of Israelis killed is higher, but that number pales in comparison to the number of Palestinian civilian casualties. In this conflict, Israel has lost just less than 100 soldiers in contrast to over 2,000 Palestinian civilians.

At any moment, if Israel so chooses, it could annul the Palestinians and any combination of nations in the Middle East. The reason that Arafat's forces were caught smuggling in weapons was because they didn't have any thing to fight with. Israel has guns, planes, bulldozers, helicopters and tanks. Palestinians have rocks. It really isn't a fair fight.

Mr. Hiland said that President Bush was wise to side with Sharon, Barak and the rest of Israel. Of course he is and that is the side that will win this fight. But do not forget that Bush inherited a nation that has a large Jewish population with plenty of representation in both Congress and the Senate, i.e. senator Joseph Lieberman, which means that his actions could have political suicide if he didn't side with Israel. And the social and political one would be unheard of.

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Ah, love. Such a wonderful, mysterious phenomenon. For those of us who own a soul in the hallmarks or have a significant other, February snow is romantic and dreamy. For everyone else, it can accentuate embittered and theloneness with a little bung histopic yourself for the rest of eternity and spending the rest of our days in solitude.

But St. Valentine never meant to damage our fragile, hormonal egos, and being single should be celebrated just as passionately as being found in love.

Instead of boycotting February 14, I've come up with a list of comforting and festive rituals to engage in, so that nobody has to send themselves sweetheart roses or leave love notes under their dorm door.

Valentine's Day is about love, not resentment.

1. Read "Cyrano de Bergerac." For the type of single who swallows in sorrow on V-Day, reading this classic is the perfect remedy for putting your own measly problems in perspective. Here is unrequited love, being too shy to approach someone, falling in love with the wrong person, if you're short on time and don't want to read the play. The Cliff's Notes are available in the bookstore. If you're short on time and also broke, you can stand there and read the synopsis of the play.

Bottom line is, Cyrano was desperately in love and possessed great charisma, but had a nose which could be described as "a rock—a craze—a capa—a peninsula!" The moral is clear: don't judge people by their noses, and you may find true love. There is too much emphasis placed on appearance by this society in general, to say nothing of our campus where there are many beautiful people walking around the quad. Give someone a chance, or else you might inadvertently pass up your soul mate (see No. 4).

2. Get yourself a pre-emptive SYR date.

Even if you don't have an impending formal or SYR, you can never be too prepared. Be creative. The next time you're in the presence of members of the opposite sex, quickly assess their potential fun factor and then take the plunge. Prime opportunities include a lull in class, waiting in the library, waiting for your waffle to bake, etc. If he or she accepts, then you can feel good about being social, and will have a reason to ask any other random stranger to your dances. If you get shot down, eat a Whitman's Sampler and proceed to No. 3.

3. Go country.

The next time at this school, we hear some variation of the line, "I like all music... except for country." Before the criticism begins, let me clarify that I have yet to hear a country song about somebody's dog dying. (Thetractor thing is true, but still.) No other genre of music could have possibly produced so many different love songs for so many situations.

Are you scared? Reeling in singleness? Broken heart? No doubt about it, there's no better way to pick yourself up from rejection or loneliness than a little bit of Garth and two pina coladas.

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While this may sound alarming, bear in mind the Notre Dame statistics for meeting a future spouse. I've heard both 50 percent and statistics for meeting a future spouse. I've heard both 50 percent and 62 females for every three males. (How does that happen?) This goes along with the idea of Cyrano and SYRs — keeping an open mind and maybe getting lucky.

5. Give up.

Who made the rule that Valentine's Day love had to be romantic? The first people who ever loved you don't even expect you to buy them God in person, serenade them with Billy Joel songs in public. So call your parents. Or if this approach sounds a little drastic, call your other relatives or friends from home. Or if this doesn't get you to Notre Dame, and tell them how much you miss them.

These are only suggestions, of course, so if you feel the need to be missing singlehood, then don't crank up the country. However, having fun with this much-hated, much-loved holiday may yet get you a date, or at the very least some warm fuzzies.

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Cyrano and country classics can reclaim Valentine's Day

Christie Bolson

Scene Writer

When "woe is me" doesn't despair at the ND/SMC dating scene

By JULIE BENDER

Scene Writer

We've all been through it. Youidget uncomfortably in class, every now and then throwing a nervous glance at that cute certain someone over in the corner. You hope to make eye contact and have that mutual explosion of fireworks and instantaneous love, but when you actually do make eye contact, it's a different story.

Caught off-guard, you quickly avert your eyes in a rather violent head swing, only to sneak a quick look back to see if your crush is still looking. Instead of focusing on the biology professor's rant about hormones, your mind is constantly thinking of scenarios for you to "accidentally" bump into your crush in the halls.

You envision a romantic encounter in which you will sweep him or her off of their feet with your eye-piercing charm and lovable nature. Of course, once again, when the opportunity presents itself, your throat closes up and all you can muster is a quick "pardon me" as you rush off with some other chick.

Ah... the torture of love. It seems that here at Notre Dame and Saint Mary's, everyone is feeling a bit discouraged lately. Maybe it's just the time of year (Valentine's Day can do that). Or maybe it's just the student body in general.

Everyone has a complaint about how difficult it is to find a good date here on campus. Ask anyone about the dating scene and you're bound to get a roll of the eyes and the bitter comment of "it sucks" thrown back at you. Girls complain about boys. Boys complain about girls. It seems to be a vicious cycle.

Of course, there are the selected few that do have a boyfriend or girlfriend on campus. Perhaps they were lucky enough to meet each other at freshman orientation and have been together ever since. Or maybe they somehow met at class party. However, the lucky pair got together, it is an embittering experience for the rest of us to see them walking around the lakes holding hands or sharing a smoothie over a table at Reckers. It's enough to make you want to scream or cry about the unfairness of it all.

When did dating become so difficult? When did it lose the magic it once had? It always seemed so perfect on the television programs growing up. The big show would end with the Bells always portrayed teenage drama so well. Every episode provided some sort of slapstick between Zack and Kelly, with A.C. Slater getting involved in one way or another.

Lisa and Scrunch were a great pair as well. Scrunch was the gentleman when he took Lisa to the sock-hop even when she had a broken ankle. Why can't dating be as easy as that? Reality never seems to live up to its television counterpart.

Students at Notre Dame and Saint Mary's agree, for the most part, that the dating scene here is pretty weak. It is difficult to assess Notre Dame's dating with that of other schools because opinion varies so widely based on who is describing it. Someone involved in a relationship is likely to be pretty optimistic, whereas someone who has been unlucky in that category will generalize dating as a negative experience.

According to Notre Dame freshman Sarah Brown, much of the difficulty with dating stems from the stark lines separating the genders on campus.

Relations between guys and girls on campus are pretty strained, said a J.Brown. "Just look around the dorming hall." This is a valid point. A glance around the dorming hall clearly reveals the division between males and females.

A majority of the tables are in fact divided into sections. There will be long rows of all girls sitting together, as well as tables of all boys. This division of course stems from the fact that Notre Dame has all single-sex dorms.

Although a blessing in some cases, single sex dorms can be a hindrance for relations on campus. Generalization between male and female dorms is often forced, and as freshmen orientation demonstrates all too well, forced interaction with people just leads to awkward situations. It's hard enough trying to make friends with the opposite sex, let alone meet...
'I do' becomes "I do"

success stories prove the strong can survive

ing someone date-worthy.
The weekends at Notre Dame don't provide a much better solution either. Although there is plenty to do on campus — sporting events, guest speakers, theatrical performances and the sort — it seems that everyone attends these events with their friends and there isn't much opportunity to talk to or meet new people.

Parties are a popular occupation on the weekends as well. However, the atmosphere of most dorm parties isn't conducive to meeting the love of your life.

Somehow grating to surrounding dancing music in a dark, sweaty room with a strobe light doesn't lend itself to formulating long-term relationships.

Freshman Shantha Ready summed up the situation: "Crowded dorm parties are definitely not the place to meet guys."

With the odds stacked against finding a nice, decent date here, how does one manage a much better solution either. Although there are some fairy-tale love stories that have taken place right here on campus. Such contradictions make the dating scene hard to assess.

No Notre Dame graduates marry each other. There are some fairy-tale love stories that have been heard to comment that Notre Dame girls for an engagement celebration at the Coleman-Morse center. Although the wedding date has yet to be decided as Elizabeth and Rudy settle their plans for after graduation, seeing this newly engaged couple together is enough to reassure anyone's faith in love.

As you dab your eyes after that story, keep in mind that this is not a one-case scenario. Dating here at Notre Dame and Saint Mary's isn't a hopeless cause.

It may take a little effort, but getting past the first step is always the most difficult. As Elizabeth herself said, "If it happened for me, it can happen for anyone!"

So next time you're feeling down as you look at the happy couples around you, just remember that it's not impossible.

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Take, for example, the story of senior Elizabeth Emerson and her boyfriend Rudy Gallegos. Elizabeth and Rudy went to the same high school in Hammond, Indiana, and although Rudy asked Elizabeth out during their senior days, she consistently refused.

She refused that is, until they both ended up at Notre Dame. By sophomore year, Elizabeth finally relented and took Rudy up on his offer.

Though neither could have imagined it, the relationship took off. The couple went to each other's dances and even found for themselves a tree on campus where they could take their lunches to be alone.

Their relationship has endured right through to their senior year. Rudy is now such a common sight on the third floor of Lyons Hall where Elizabeth is an R.A. that some have been heard to comment that Lyons has started admitting male residents.

In addition to this, the third floor's section event during fall semester study days was to witness the Zahn bun run through Lafontaine, since Rudy, a Zahn resident, was an organizer and participant of the event.

This past October, Elizabeth and Rudy's relationship took a new twist. On a particularly warm autumn afternoon, the couple returned to their tree for a picnic, for old time's sake. As the couple hunched on sandwiches and fruit, Rudy subtly called Elizabeth's attention to the tree. Glancing up haphazardly, Elizabeth's eye caught something etched into the bark.

Squinting for a closer look, Elizabeth read the words aloud: "Will you marry me?" Rudy then knelt down before the astonished Elizabeth and taking her hands, uttered the words himself. In the midst of a flood of emotions, Elizabeth managed to choke out her "Yes" before the tears of happiness arrived.

The pair then was met by a surprise gathering of Lyons girls for an engagement celebration at the Coleman-Morse center. Although the wedding date has yet to be decided as Elizabeth and Rudy settle their plans for after graduation, seeing this newly engaged couple together is enough to reassure anyone's faith in love.

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need is all three of them to have a big game on the same day."
That kind of an all-around performance could come tonight. St. John's is coming of a 12-game losing skid, as compared to Notre Dame's five-game winning streak. But, after close calls against both Seton Hall and Pittsburgh on the road, McGraw is not so ready to call this an easy win.

"Against Pittsburgh I thought 'This'll be a good chance for us to play a lot of people,' but we didn't defend well," she said. "I don't think you can ever look at a game and say this is what's going to happen."
To play a good defensive game, the Irish post players will have to be aware of the Red Storm's offense. St. John's post players hit jumpers, looking, at times, more like perimeter players.

"They present some problems for our post defensively," McGraw said.

But coming out of one of its best defensive efforts of the season, the Irish should be able to handle the change. On Sunday the Notre Dame played very little zone, a defense they've been able to make use of this season, because of Boston College's outside shot.

But tonight they should be able to change up their defensive style.

"I think we'll be able to do a little bit more in terms of switching things up (defensively) and playing some zone," McGraw said.
Tip-off is 7 p.m. at the Joyce Center where the Irish have a 49-game winning streak.

Notes:
♦ Sophomore guard Jeneka Joyce is listed as questionable for tonight's game. After returning from an Achilles Heel injury against Boston College on Sunday, pain in her foot may prevent her from playing against St. John's.

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Notre Dame point guard Le'Tania Severe brings the ball upcourt against Syracuse earlier this season. Severe leads the Irish against St. John's tonight in the Joyce Center.

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What is the Liturgy of the Hours? The Liturgy of the Hours is a series of prayers based on the Psalms said throughout the course of the day. The tradition of the Liturgy of the Hours goes back to before the time of Christ. Christ Himself prayed it in its earlier forms. Morning and Evening prayer lasts approximately 20 minutes each.

Liturgies

Why should we pray the Liturgy of the Hours? Christ invites us, as Paul writes, to "Pray without ceasing." The Liturgy of the Hours expresses our mindfulness of that call and it is an act of consecration of time.

of the Hours

Why start during lent? Lent is a time of recommitting ourselves to God's service through and in prayer. Liturgy of the Hours is starting during Lent because in Lent we have the opportunity to establish ourselves in new ways of living our lives, to last beyond and be enriched by Easter. The Liturgy of the Hours is valuable specifically as a daily offering, complementing the rest of the Church's prayers and seasons. What we begin during lent, we will continue through the rest of the year.

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Beginning Ash Wednesday
Friedgen withdraws from Bucs coaching list

Associated Press

COLLEGE PARK, Md. — Maryland’s Ralph Friedgen withdrew his name from consideration for the Tampa Bay Buccaneers’ head coaching opening Tuesday.

Friedgen, fresh off leading Maryland to a 10-2 record in his first season as a head coach, met with officials of the Buccaneers on Monday.

Friedgen is listed in the latest in a series of coaches interviewed by the Buccaneers, who are seeking a replacement for Tony Dungy, fired last month after the team’s first-round playoff loss in Philadelphia. The Bucs already talked to former NFL coach Bill Parcells and Marvin Lewis.

Parcells backed away from the offer and Lewis, then defensive coordinator for the Baltimore Ravens, was ultimately shunned.

Then, less than 24 hours after speaking with the sons of Bucs owner Malcolm Glazer, Friedgen announced that he was staying put.

“It’s very flattering to be considered after so many years of not being considered,” said Friedgen, a longtime assistant before being hired by Maryland.

Friedgen, speaking in a news conference at the university, said he was never formally offered the Bucs job, and never discussed financial terms with the Glazers. But he said he agreed to the meeting out of curiosity.

“Sometimes you don’t know what you’ll have in other places.”

Friedgen signed a 10-year contract with Maryland in December after leading the Terrapins to their first Atlantic Coast Conference title since 1986 and a berth in the Orange Bowl.

Lewis, who later accepted a job as defensive coordinator of the Washington Redskins, criticized the Bucs on Monday for their handling of the coaching search.

“It was a meeting that was already set one way,” Lewis said of his session with the sons of Bucs owner Malcolm Glazer.

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FitzRandolph takes gold in 500 meters

American Casey FitzRandolph skates towards a gold medal in the 500 meters Tuesday afternoon. Teammate Kip Carpenter took the bronze.

Street finishes 16th in Olympic finale

Picabo Street, her star-spangled pony-tail flapping as she sped down the Wildflower course, finished 16th in her Olympic finale Tuesday— even trailing two U.S. teammates.

"This is the last race of my career," she said. "I'm not going to have to live without trying to be perfect on my skis everyday, which is wonderful."

Street, who was trying to become the first American woman to win three Olympic skiing medals, had the best time at the top of the mountain, but lost speed in the middle of the course as she fought to control her skis.

After blowing kisses through her helmet to the wildly cheering crowd, she grabbed a microphone and thanked the fans.

"I didn't have a great race," FitzRandolph said. "I knew I had to drop the hammer and just go for it."

FitzRandolph became America's first 500 champion since Eric Heiden won all five events in 1980. Jansen was favored in three straight Olympics, but a fall, a slip and a slushy track denied him a medal in his favorite event.

"I think D.J. should have gotten one," FitzRandolph said.

But enough of the bad memories. The Americans have three medals through the first three events at the Utah Olympic Oval, putting the home team in excellent position to reach its goal of 10 medals, including the short-track competition.

"The speedskating squad, which has never won more than eight medals, leads traditional powers the Netherlands and Germany, which have two apiece."

FitzRandolph edged Shimizu by a mere 0.03 seconds — about the length of a skate. The blonde-haired, blue-eyed Wisconsin native threw up his arms when he saw the final standings, breaking out in a smile that appeared more relief than jubilation.

"I really could have done better. I feel a bit of regret," the Japanese star said. "I was not able to give it my ultimate. I didn't even come close to my own world record."
ND SOFTBALL
Myers named Scholar-Athlete of the Year

Special to The Observer
Notre Dame softball standout Jarrah Myers has been named the 2001-02 BIG EAST/Apostrophe Female Scholar-Athlete of the Year. She will receive a $4,000 stipend which will be applied to graduate studies.

Myers, a senior catcher from Carbondale, Kan., is the fourth Notre Dame female to win the award. She was chosen for the Scholar-Athlete of the Year award from a pool of 15 candidates which may encompass athletes from any of the 12 Big East women's sports.

Myers is an environmental science major in the Notre Dame academic honors program and earned National Fastpitch Coaches Association/Louisville Slugger All-America Third Team honors as a junior in 2001. In addition, Myers was a member of the U.S. National Team last year. Prior to the 2002 season, she was named to the Preseason All-Big East Team.

Myers was named to the All-Big East Second Team as a junior in 2001 and the first team in 2002. Last season she led the Irish in batting (.380), RBI (41) and home runs (7). She also ranks among the top five in the Notre Dame career lists for triples, home runs and RBI.

ND WOMEN’S SOCCER
Two defenders honored

♦ Gonzalez, Pruzinsky named Academic All-Americans

Special to The Observer
Two Notre Dame women’s soccer players have been recognized as Academic All-Americans for the 2001-02 academic year, as selected by the College Sports Information Directors of America.

Junior defender Vanessa Pruzinsky — who impressively has maintained her 4.0 cumulative grade-point average as a chemical engineering major — repeated as a first team Academic All-American.

Fifth-year defender Monica Gonzalez became the 38th all-time student-athlete in Notre Dame history to earn Academic All-America and Academic All-American honors for the same season. She was a second team Academic All-American and third team Academic All-American.

Pruzinsky joins former basketball star Bob Arnzen (1967-69) as just the second student-athlete in Notre Dame's storied Academic All-America history to be named a first team Academic All-American as both a sophomore and junior. Arnzen closed out his career by making the first team for a third time in 1969.

Notre Dame was one of just six schools that placed multiple players on the 33-member Academic All-America teams, with Notre Dame and Nebraska being the only schools from the Midwest region that were ranked in the national top 25.

Gonzalez is the fourth Notre Dame women’s student-athlete to recently complete the unique Academic All-America and Academic All-America distinction, with softball players Jarrah Myers and Jen Sharron and women’s basketball standout Ruth Riley doing so in the spring of 2001.

Gonzalez joins former goalkeeper Jen Renola as Notre Dame’s second women’s soccer player to receive both honors in the same season. Renola is one of just seven ND student-athletes from all sports to do so in multiple seasons.

Notre Dame women’s soccer players have combined for 10 Academic All-America honors during the past eight seasons, with the previous seven years of the awards coming under the fall and winter “at-large” program.

Renola and forward Amy Van Laecke earned 2nd-team honors following their junior season and were 1st-team selections for seniors while Renola named the Academic All-American of the Year.

Jenny Streifler then earned 1st-team honors after the 1997 season and was a 2nd-team pick as a junior while another Irish forward, Meesin Erikson, was a 3rd-team selection for the 2000 season.

Pruzinsky was one of five players with 4.0 GPAs that were named to the 2001-02 Academic All-America squad, including fellow first teamers Katharina Lindner (Hartford) and Liza Nowoslawski (UBA).

A two-time Academic All-NSCAA all-region selection, Pruzinsky also was a first team all-BIG EAST Conference honoree in 2001 and was a finalist for the Missouri Athletic Club National Player-of-the-Year Award. She has started 71 of 72 games during her ND career and registered her first goal at Notre Dame in the 2-1 loss at Rutgers before scoring again in the NCAA loss to Cincinnati.

Gonzalez — who was the 11th overall selection in Monday’s player draft for the Women’s United Soccer Association — captors her career with NSCAA second team Academic All-Americans before posting a 3.62 semester GPA and graduating with a 3.39 cumulative GPA, as a double major in management information systems and Spanish.

A founding member of women’s national team, Gonzalez joined Pruzinsky as a center defender in 2001, when she started all 21 games while scoring once and adding seven assists. She totaled 17 goals and 17 assists in 95 career games played, with 99 starts.

Gonzalez and Pruzinsky combined with freshman Candace Chapman as just the second trio of Notre Dame defenders to be named NSCAA All-Americans in the same season. The 2001 Irish defense allowed just 18 goals in 21 games, including nine shutouts and eight other games with one goal allowed.

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**Men's Basketball**

Thomas grabs Sports Illustrated honor

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The honors continue for Notre Dame freshman Chris Thomas. The 6-1 point guard has been named Sports Illustrated's Player of the Week following his performances last week in wins over Rutgers (89-72) and a quadruple overtime victory over Georgetown (116-111). The five-time Big East rookie of the week posted a pair of double doubles in the two contests and averaged 27.0 points, 11.5 assists, 5.0 rebounds and 2.5 steals.

In playing 38 minutes against the Scarlet Knights, he scored a career-high 12 points and dished off 11 assists while hitting 10-of-14 from the field and seven-of-nine from three-point range. He played all 60 minutes against the Hoyas and finished with 22 points, 12 assists, a personal best eight rebounds and made three steals.

Thomas is currently averaging 16.2 points (second best in the conference) and 16.2 points, 11.5 assists, 5.0 rebounds and 2.5 steals. Against the Scarlets, he hit 16-of-39 from the field and seven-of-three-point range.

**NCAA Football**

**Toledo defends recruiting**

By HANNAH GORDON

**Los Angeles**

Stones are being thrown all over the Pac-10, and if the coaches are not careful, everyone will end up in shattered glass.

UCLA declined to comment Friday after Washington head football coach Rick Neuheisel complained about negative recruiting around the conference, specifically by Oregon and UCLA, last week.

UCLA head coach Bob Toledo responded in the Seattle Times Monday.

"If you live in a glass house, you shouldn't throw rocks, you know what I mean," Toledo said. "We never had a problem with negative recruiting. It's just the recruiting game. I'd say every school throws little jabs. But a few of the things that were said were pretty big time."

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When Neuheisel said UCLA tried to lure his recruit, Clayton Walker, away, Neuheisel said that Toledo told Walker that if he were fired, Neuheisel would be the next UCLA coach.

But according to Toledo, those comments were taken out of context.

"Basically what Neuheisel and (assistant coach) Steve Auman were telling was that I was going to get fired. I told the kid, 'If I get fired, I know Rick Neuheisel will be the first one to apply.' That's exactly it, verbatim," Toledo said.

Neuheisel had also claimed that Walker lost his part-time job because he was afraid to leave for work when UCLA coaches showed up unannounced. But Toledo said that Walker's mother had invited them to stay.

Monday, Walker spoke to the Seattle Times, and he said that both coaches were making more of this than the situation deserved.

"I don't think it was really that bad. I think everybody's just blowing everything out of proportion," he said. "I guess it's just the recruiting game. I'd say every school throws little jabs. But a few of the things that were said were pretty big time."

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ND WOMEN’S BASKETBALL

Improved Irish ready for Red Storm

By KATIE McVOY
Associate Sports Editor

After dropping out of the rankings in early December, the Irish have been playing the underdog role. They’ve defeated three ranked opponents in the last three weeks and now they’ll have the top seed going into tonight’s game against St. John’s.

With the Irish ranked 23rd in Associated Press balloting and second in the Big East, tonight’s game may be more about Notre Dame’s play than the play of the 3-20 Red Storm, who are ranked last in the Big East. “We’ve got to focus on us,” said head coach Muffet McGraw. “That’s our primary concern ... There are some things coming out of the Boston College game that we feel we can do better at.”

At this point in the season, although the Irish have made strides to 15-7, McGraw is still looking for improvement in her team. The Irish have struggled together several strong offensive performances and many solid defensive performances. However, they don’t seem to be coming in tandem. “I want to see great defense and great offense in the same game, that’s what I really want,” McGraw said. “We’ve had a lot of games where we’ve played one or the other.”

A combined defensive and offensive effort isn’t all McGraw wants from her team. She wants a team effort — period. Post players Jacqueline Batteast, Ericka Haney and Teresa Bolton have all taken their turns being the go-to player, scoring on the block and really helping the team. But McGraw would like to see a game where all three play well on the same night. “I think the problem is, it’s been different people and I would like it to be all of them,” McGraw said. “We’ve had a lot of games where we’ve played one or the other.”

For the Irish to improve tonight, McGraw wants a solid defensive performance. “We’ve got to focus on us,” said head coach Muffet McGraw. “That’s our primary concern ... There are some things coming out of the Boston College game that we feel we can do better at.”

The Belles are hoping to continue playing well and pick up some victories before heading into the MIAA tournament. “She’s just real consistent,” said Smith. “She’s not trying to do too much but it seems like the opponent’s defense is giving her some great opportunity’s and she’s taking advantage of everything.”

The Belles are hoping to continue playing well and pick up some victories before heading into the MIAA tournament on Feb. 19. “We’re focused on Wednesday night first, said Smith. “We haven’t really gone to Saturday yet. But tomorrow night it’s a great opportunity. I know one of the team’s words today was revenge because it was a close game last time. So we really want this one tomorrow night.”

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