CAMPUS LIFE COUNCIL

Poorman adds more social space

University buys off-campus house for retreats

By JASON McFARLEY
News Editor

Following an announcement of major renovations to the Alumni-Senior Club, student life officials have made public plans for two additional projects to improve social space options.

The Alumni-Senior Club, student officials Brian Poorman, vice president for Student Affairs, and vice president-elect Libby Poorman, added more social space through the Student Activities Council. Officials plan to renovate the "Creek House" located next to the Jordan Creek north of campus and adjacent to Warren Golf Course.

It provides an ideal setting for day-long and other functions. It is a building activity and the like.

He said his office is working with the university administration to complete the project by its May target date. The house will be available to students in August.

"It's another good thing for students," Norton said Monday. "I think it's exciting that there are two more venues we can use for social space programming."

In other CLC news:	Student body president- and vice president-elect Libby Bishop and Trip Foley, respectively, attended the meeting as guests.

Bishop and Foley, who take office April 1, said they would have the chance to discuss ways to improve student-administrator communication.

Harris: Disabled students need equality

By KATIE RAND
News Writer

Richard Harris kicked off ND/SMC Disability Awareness Week with his lecture "Disability Awareness in the Classroom and on Campus." He added a star to speak in the "Life Goes On" column.

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BEYOND CAMPUS

International Yale students return home for service

NEW HAVEN, Conn.  "If you don't go to the army in Korea, you're considered a traitor," Pil-Woon Oh said.

By law, male citizens of the Republic of Korea are required to serve in the army for 26 months. Like many other countries, Korea requires a specified period of military service from its citizens. As the number of international students at Yale rises, more and more Yalies must decide whether or not they will return home to fulfill their military obligations. For some students, a decision to return to serve means interrupting their Yale careers. This is the case for Yoon Chay who also was born in the Republic of Korea. Although he is fairly certain he will serve before he graduates, he still does not know exactly when he will return home. If he wants to remain a Korean citizen, Chay must serve for two years and two months before he turns 24.

Most of his friends back in Korea already have joined the army. For Chay, one difficulty with leaving midway through his college career is by the time he returns to Yale, most of his friends will have graduated. "I'm already one or two years older than most of the kids," Chay said.

KENT STATE UNIVERSITY

Hacker accesses student numbers

Using a fairly simple computer program, a University of Akron student has accessed student and employee Social Security numbers, e-mail addresses and first and last names. The accounting student used the program he wrote himself after he found a glitch in the Kent State University Web site. He said individuals with a background similar to his could have done the same thing. University officials are working to correct the problem. Roger, the student, asked his last name not be used for fear of prosecution. He was using the program and university Web site to e-mail without his business. He said he sent 37,000 messages to Kent State students and employees after logging in with one of the Social Security numbers he obtained. Most of the people Roger found information about did not know he had obtained it.

KENT, Ohio

UNIVERSITY OF WISCONSIN

Schools face enrollment cuts

The University of Wisconsin-La Crosse and Green Bay are being forced to cut enrollment due to reduced budgets. Most schools in the UW System, including UW-Madison, are facing annual increases in enrollment under the Board of Regents' enrollment management plan. The regents aim to increase of 5,300 full-time students by 2006 for all the UW schools combined. UW has also been allocated a 400-student enrollment increase for next year, but the largest increase will take place at UW-Milwaukee, with a projected gain of 2,554 students. The board's enrollment management plan, referred to as EM-21, is an effort officials say will ensure each student receives an adequate education with the funds available for each school. The regents now must consider how to compensate for Gov. Scott McCallum's proposed UW System budget reduction of $51 million.

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By ALLISON ROCHE
News Writer

Higher education is at its best when it is unruly, according to Rev. Jennifer Walters whose keynote address kicked off Sisterhood Week at Saint Mary's Monday. Her address explored how truth and wholeness are found amid unruliness and diversity.

The goal of Sisterhood Week is to make the Saint Mary's community more inclusive, regardless of differences.

"It is a week intended to provide information, history and entertainment around lesbian, bisexual and straight women in the community," said Astrid Henry, professor in the English and women's studies departments.

As dean of religious life at Smith College, Walters had a unique perspective to share on the week's theme, "Sisterhood Beyond Boundaries: Lesbian, Bisexual and Straight Women in Community."

Walters is an Episcopalian minister who also came out of the closet 22 years ago. She spoke very positively of the dignity provided by women's educational institutions.

"Women can affirm one another in ways that cannot happen in other environments," Walters said.

Walters emphasized solidarity among women, regardless of boundaries based on race or sexuality. She said that diversity functions to make people feel whole. Her experience at a secular institution like Smith College has shown her the problems of not addressing the spiritual side of sexuality.

"Avoiding looking at spirituality silences wholeness," Walters said.

Walters pointed out that whether at Smith College or Saint Mary's, ignoring spirituality is especially devastating for lesbian and bisexual women given the shame that often accompanies their coming out.

"At a secular college and at a religious college, you end with the same result: women who think that God doesn't love them," Walters said.

Finally, Walters suggested that the final solution for college campuses is to take risks. Faculty and students need to risk entering into conversations about religion and sexuality to get over differences and "move on."

The questions and discussions raised by faculty members and students in the audience after Walters' address focused on the conflict between administration and students over "The Vagina Monologues" being barred from campus.

Sisterhood Week continues with tonight's showing of "If These Walls Could Talk 2," a film depicting the lives of three lesbian women from different eras, at 7:30 p.m. in Madaleva.

"The Celluloid Closet," a documentary about Hollywood's depiction of gays, lesbians and bisexuals, will be shown on Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in Moreau.

The week will conclude on Sunday at 4 p.m. in Moreau with a panel composed of five alumnae, representing different eras, who will share their experiences with sexuality at Saint Mary's and beyond.

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U.S. pays $80 million to Pakistan: The United States paid Pakistan $80 million for providing logistical support to its forces in the war against terrorism, Finance Ministry officials said Monday. Finance Secretary Yunus Khan told The Associated Press that the $80 million already received are for use of resources in support of military operations in Afghanistan.

Dolls getting more racially diverse: Toy makers are taking note with new doll lines that are more diverse than ever, including the first multiracial Barbie, which was on display last week at the American International Toy Fair in New York. Some dolls of different races and ethnicities, including black Barbie, have been around for years. But industry experts say an increased demand and awareness of other cultures has spawned a new wave of diverse dolls.

Netanyahu calls for Arafat's removal:

Former Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu speaks at an interview. Netanyahu has called for the removal of Yasser Arafat and the destruction of the Palestinian Authority.

Netanyahu, 52, has been giving interviews since January in the U.S., France, Britain, and the Middle East, where he was gratified by polls showing Israelis — who sent him packing in a 1999 election — now give him widespread support. Netanyahu, 52, has been speaking throughout the United States and Israel, and has criticized Sharon for stopping short of what Netanyahu believes is the only way to end terror attacks against Israelis — the removal of Arafat.

"He keeps wanting to go abroad — I think we should not hinder him from doing so," Netanyahu said. "I would very much like to see him have a happy retirement with his friends from Tripoli... with his friends from Baghdad." Israel also should eliminate the terrorist infrastructure that has been established in the West Bank and Gaza, which would be "a very simple thing to do, not very complicated and not very costly," Netanyahu said.

He was evasive about the exact steps he would take, but hinted strongly at a large-scale military operation: "Israel has not used a fraction of a fraction of the means that it has available, as you can imagine.

Netanyahu said deterrence would no longer work with the Palestinian leadership, because "at this point Arafat is already in Never-Never-Land."

Feds take over airport security:

The market was closed Monday due to President’s Day.
Tape shows firefighter’s courage

NEW YORK

The firefighters’ movements are calm as they arrive at the burning north tower of the World Trade Center. Their eyes grow wide as the magnitude of their mission becomes clear. Then come the thumps – one after another – and a voice saying that people are jumping.

The horrific noises continue as the videotape shot by two French filmmakers keeps rolling. A drone followed by a sudden bang accompanies the image of a second plane slamming into the south tower and later, a white noise builds to a crescendo as that tower collapses and people run for cover.

The tape by brothers Gedeon and Jules Naudet is an extraordinary account of courage and dramatic intensity under pressure and of the cataclysmic moments that, for many of the men captured on it, were their last.

It has made the rounds of New York firehouses since Sept. 11 and was recently reviewed by The Associated Press. CBS plans to air footage on March 10 to commemorate the six-month anniversary of the attacks.

“When I sat down to watch this video, I was very apprehensive. But when I was finished watching it, the overwhelming emotion I had was pride.”

John Vigiano, retired firefighter

The attacks began.

The opening shot has been seen by millions. The cameraman, talking firefighters checking a gas leak in lower Manhattan, pans up and captures the first plane slamming into the north tower.

Most of the footage was shot by Jules, who accompanied firefighters to the north tower where they set up their first command center.

What happens over the next two hours has not been seen by the public. As Jules and firefighters race to the scene, someone asks, "What kind of plane was that?" Joe Pfeifer, chief of Battalion 1, answers: "That looked like a direct attack."

Top fire officials gather to coordinate their strategy in the lobby as the tower’s occupants, seen as silhouettes on the mezzanine level above, stream out of the building. Pfeifer tells a firefighter, "Don’t go any higher than 70.”

Members of Rescue 1, a specialty rescue unit, can be seen heading toward the stairwells to walk up the tower as thousands of people hood down. No one from that unit made it out alive that day.

Then the south tower is hit.

Stalled, firefighters rush to the windows to look outside. More debris falls. “Mayday! Mayday!” blares over the radio. The thumps continue and sounds of the collapse of the south tower are heard. Fire Chaplain Rev. Mychal Judge, dressed in full firefighting gear with his white collar and white shirt, holds a rosary and says that people are calm as they arrive at the command center.

The firefighters’ movements in the footage show how their attitude of their mission becomes clear. Then come the thumps – one after another – and a voice saying that people are jumping into the World Trade Center. Their eyes grow wide as the magnitude of their mission becomes clear. Then come the thumps – one after another – and a voice saying that people are jumping into the white noise.

Fatima Filiberti, a 13-year-old Moroccan girl who insists on wearing a Muslim headscarf to school, arrived for classes Monday to the clicking of cameras, applause from her new classmates and the watchful gaze of Civil Guards officers.

The girl's traditional hijab scarf has stirred a nationwide debate in this predominantly Roman Catholic country. Accompanied by her father, Ali El Hadi, 35, and representatives of immigrant support groups, Filiberti was greeted by Delia Duro, director of the Juan de Herrera School.

Filiberti’s father covered her face in an attempt to hide her from photographers among some 50 journalists who showed up at the school in this ancient town, about 25 miles northwest of Madrid.

Controversy over Fatima began last week when the director of Juan de Herrera, a secular public school, said she would not be allowed to wear the hijab, a traditional headscarf worn by many Muslim women in public. The school was overruled Saturday by the Madrid regional government, which said the obligation to give her an education took precedence over the issue of the scarf.

Filiberti was accepted at Juan de Herrera after a semiprivate Roman Catholic school she first had been assigned to insisted she wear a uniform and remove the hijab.

The issue has received front-page coverage in Spanish newspapers and generated hours of debate on radio and television.

Initially Duro, the school director, said the hijab was a symbol of discrimination against women that could not be accepted in a secular education system. The country’s education and ministers agreed.

Those who came to the girl’s defense said the issue of her hijab demonstrated Spanish intolerance and ignorance of other cultures. They pointed out that the hijab was already accepted without problems in many schools in Spain.

The Madrid regional government also accepted the headscarf, and the debate over whether it was acceptable in public schools continued.

Coffee and tea were served at the school.
**Doctors research bypass surgery**

Associated Press

DALLAS

Women under age 50 are three times more likely than men to die after undergoing coronary artery bypass surgery, new research suggests.

A study led by Dr. Viola Vaccarino of Emory University in Atlanta examined 57,187 patients, 30 percent of them women, who had bypass surgery at 23 medical centers across the country between October 1993 and December 1999.

Among patients ages 50-59, 2.6 percent of women died, compared with 1.1 percent of men. Among patients 80 and older, 9.9 percent of women died compared with 6.3 percent of men.

The study found that the difference decreases with advancing age.

"It's a puzzling result," Vaccarino said. "We're not able to explain the difference based on our data. It could be a factor we didn't know about or test for."

Overall, 5.3 percent of the women died in the hospital, compared with 2.9 percent of the men. Of the women younger than 50, 3.4 percent died, compared with 1.1 percent of men.

Vaccarino theorized that women tend to have more pre-existing illnesses, including stroke and heart failure, and are usually referred for surgery when their heart disease is more severe.

Because women have smaller arteries than men, she said, bypass surgery is more difficult to perform and, therefore, more stressful on women.

"It's probably a combination of those factors," she said of the findings, published in Tuesday's issue of the journal Circulation. "Whatever the case, though, younger women usually have a worse outcome."

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**Study: Fewer medical tests may be fine**

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

It seems almost every month brings a new headline: Get diabetes tests at young ages. See annual thyroid exams. Get screened for prostate cancer. Oh, and don't forget to check for kidney disease.

Specially medical groups and patient advocates are urging more and more seemingly healthy Americans to get screened for early signs of numerous diseases. After all, spot an illness early and often you can fight it better.

But how much testing does the average symptom-free person really need?

Not all that much, is the surprising answer from the expert panel that sets the nation's primary care standards.

Even that traditional checkup where "all of us go in and just get checked from soup to nuts" isn't needed every year for many people, says Janet Allan, co-chair of the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force.

And several often-recommended tests, such as prostate cancer screening or bone-density tests, actually are controversial because of mixed studies about their benefit. In fact, studies by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention cite only a handful of screenings — for breast, cervical and colorectal cancers, high blood pressure and high cholesterol — considered most essential.

Testing isn't always the best preventive care, adds Allan, dean of nursing at the University of Texas, San Antonio. The counseling that busy health workers often forget or bypass is crucial.

For example, most of Americans' leading diseases are related to smoking, poor diet, little exercise and risky sexual practices. Yet a recent analysis by Georgetown University's Center on Aging Society found only about half of adults, even were asked about such risk factors during their last doctor's exam.

Customizing preventive care to adjust for risks that patients can change — and those they can't, a family history, for example — is slowly overtaking the more traditional appeal to screen millions for everything. That means consumers must have a more patient doctor who knows their health history intimately — a "medical home" — to ensure they get the right tests at the right time, says Dr. Edward Hill, a Tupelo, Miss., family physician and chair-elect of the American Medical Association's board.

Is this where a checklist to ensure consumers get the most essential tests? Allan's task force is an independent panel charged by the government to come up with such a master list. It now is reevaluating the latest research for a six-month rollout of updated advice.

Here's the checklist so far for people at average risk of disease:

- **Cholesterol testing**: every five years starting at age 35 for men and age 45 for women, to check total cholesterol and the "good" HDL type and "bad" LDL type, but not triglycerides.

- **Anyone at high risk of heart disease** — a smoker, a diabetic, someone whose parent died of heart disease before age 50 or who has high blood pressure — needs cholesterol testing beginning at age 20.

- **For women**, a Pap smear to check for cervical cancer every one to three years. Also, those who have high blood pressure — need cholesterol testing beginning at age 20.

- **To detect colorectal cancer**, an annual fecal occult blood test for men and women starting at age 50. Also, they need a more invasive exam — a sigmoidoscopy or colonoscopy — once or twice a decade.

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- **Young women who have had multiple sexual partners and who have difficulty abstaining** always should be suggested a Pap smear.

- **Regular diabetes tests**, at least every three years starting at age 20.

- **Younger than 50, 3.4 percent of women died, compared with 2.9 percent of men. Among patients 80 and older, 9 percent of women died, compared with 3 percent of men.**

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**Attention Class of 2002!**

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Tunisian terror suspect trial begins

Associated Press

MILAN

Three Tunisians accused of cooperating with Osama bin Laden's terrorist network went on trial Monday in a heavily guarded courtroom on charges they supplied arms and chemicals and with the trial moved out of

rejected a defense request to supply false documents.

Jelassi, Mehdi Kammoun and the defendants — Riadh Dambruoso and plainclothes policeman stood behind Dambruoso.

Four other men arrested as part of the same probe went on trial earlier this month in Milan on similar charges. One of them is Said Ben Khemais, a Tunisian man convicted of planning to commit acts of international terrorism. U.S. investigators suspect he was from Afghanistan to supervise bin Laden's terrorist operations in Europe.

Dambruoso described Ben Khemais on Monday as the "major defendant" in Milan. Italian investigators suspect he was supervising the planned attack on the U.S. Embassy, but he has not been charged with that.

Defense lawyers for Ben Khemais and his three co-defendants sought and received a fast-track trial that would allow for a reduced sentence if they are convicted, with Ben Khemais facing up to six years.

"You've got to realize something's wrong when outside your office people are having tailgate parties," Edgar said.

Graves, 55, testified that he did not know his patients were abusing drugs and said no one would have died if OxyContin had been taken as prescribed.

"OxyContin is a good drug if it is taken properly," said defense lawyer H.E. Ellis Jr. "Pharmacy companies don't spend billions of dollars developing drugs if they are going to kill people."

But prosecutors contended Graves knew or should have known that his booming practice was made up largely of drug addicts seeking prescriptions for OxyContin and other narcotics popular on the street.

The six-member jury is expected to begin deliberating Tuesday. A guilty verdict would make Graves the first doctor in the nation convicted of manslaughter or murder in the deaths of patients due to OxyContin.

Graves is charged with racketeering, four counts of manslaughter through culpable negligence and five counts of unlawful delivery of a controlled substance. If convicted on all counts, Graves could face up to 30 years in state prison.

Edgar said Graves needed money after he was forced out of the taxi business and fired from jobs at a Pennsylvania pain clinic and a state prison. He said the money rolled in as patients, most paying cash, returned repeatedly to fund their addictions.

"We had a spread that he was the go-to doctor," Edgar said. "He's no different than a drug dealer." Edgar admitted that Graves' record keeping was poor, but said jurors should find evidence of a doctor practicing medicine, not indiscriminately prescribing drugs.

OxyContin is a 12-hour syn-

thetic opiate. Addicts defeat the time delay and get a heroin-like high by chewing the pills or crushing them and then injecting the drug.

Two dozen pharmacists testi-

fied they stopped filling what they called "Graves cocktails" that included OxyContin, morphine, a painkiller, the tranquilizer Xanax and the muscle relaxant Soma besides OxyContin. Each of these was popular

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Women imitating "Monologues" men is dubious

Thanks to Molly McShane for presenting the logic of feminism in all its glory. Guys immediately make a big deal out of their private parts, so women should too. Men are crude and dimwitted, so women should be too.

Women imitating men is a dubious enterprise to begin with; but feminists seem not only to seek to imitate us, but imitate us at our very worst. It is as if they consider decency, class, kindness, compassion, sensitivity and dignity — those qualities that most separate women from men — to be awful shackles holding women down, keeping them from attaining true happiness.

One can be vulgar, indifferent (if not even hostile) toward babies and small helpless animals, loud and boisterous, drunk and promiscuous, mean to poor people and cripples and ambitious for power — in other words, like us men — then they will be free, they seem to think. It is a strange view. McShane also seems to think our attitudes toward our private parts can either take the form of pride or shame. I think this is a false dichotomy. Not our private parts can either take the form of pride or shame. I think this is a false dichotomy. Not.

The Observer does not disseminate, either, it offers a sense of respect and awareness about the reality and diversity of women’s experiences. It is necessary to realize that dogmatic Catholicism does not encompass the reality and totality of women’s experiences. And even if the group of students protesting "The Vagina Monologues" is not willing to realize the existence of life beyond Catholicism, I simply ask you to remember that Our Lady, the Blessed Virgin Mother did, in fact, have a vagina. Perhaps, Sean, you encountered the slovenly and one-sided.

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Respect Israel’s own ‘war on terror’

Eighteen months ago, the idea that the United States must distance herself politically from Israel and accommodate the Palestinians may have been a legitimate policy option. Much has changed since that time.

In her Feb. 12 letter, “America can strongly influence the Middle East,” Rachel Smith attacks controversial Israeli counterinsurgency methodologies. True, Ariel Sharon has repeatedly employed overwhelming force and violated international laws. Smith is also correct in her assertion that “significant changes are called for on both sides.” Israel is caught in the unfortunate position of defending her security and protecting her liberty, and has yet to find an effective method of accomplishing both goals. Despite Israel’s extreme measures, however, the United States must not play into the hands of the Palestinians to the detriment of Israel.

Smith paints a sympathetic portrait of Yasser Arafat, a man “trapped under house arrest,” unable to lead his people to peace. In reality, Arafat has had numerous opportunities to implement a final peace agreement with Israel. Abandoning the talks at Camp David in the summer of 2000, he made clear to the world that his thirst for power trumps his desire for a lasting peace.

Over the course of the past decade, Arafat seemed to accomplish the daunting task of evolving from terrorist to statesman. He has held audiences with former President Clinton, won the Nobel Peace Prize and come within arm’s length of presiding over an official Palestinian state. With this testisola, however, Arafat has reverted to his terrorist roots and called into question any legitimacy he and his Palestinian Authority ever had.

The overwhelming number of Palestinian casualties, including women and children, cannot be pinned on Israel alone. The riots held by the Palestinians are designed to draw overwhelming force from Israel and sympathy from the international community. That sympathy is wearing thin.

The images of Palestinians challenging the events of Sept. 11 were painful for most Americans to watch. The continuation of Palestinian suicide bombings is an overt slap in our face. Whatever common ground we may have had with the Palestinians is slipping away. By exhibiting popular support for terrorism, the Palestinian community has taken one more step toward the ominous network of “evil” our government has vowed to destroy.

What right have we now to tell Sharon to sit down with Arafat and negotiate? Arafat has played this game too many times. If he is in control of the Palestinian combatants, let him order them to lay down arms. If he is not in control, as many believe he is not, in the case, let him tell exactly why. It is not because of his inability to prove himself a statesman. Until then, do not let him continue to play us for fools.

The U.S. policy toward terror is based upon four basic tenets: Make no concessions, bring terrorists to justice, do not tolerate state-sponsorship of terror and protect our friends. In the wake of Sept. 11 we have released the wrath of the U.S. military on the Taliban and al-Qaeda and vowed to continue our campaign against terror wherever we see fit. We have been pushed to our limit. And Israel has been pushed to ours.

She is not innocent, but her survival for survival is not to be taken lightly. We fear another terrorist strike. Israel expects it. To paraphrase former Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu: “There comes a time when you can no longer afford to search for the needle in the haystack. You must simply take out the haystack.”

The debate over civil liberties and national security has drawn a great deal of attention in the United States over the past several months. As yet, we have no answers. Israel’s position is much more dire, and the debate more heated. It is a situation with which we must all come to terms.

Katie Thompson
senior
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Feb. 13, 2002
**ALBUM REVIEW**

**Beachwood misses goal of ’60s laidback vibe**

By SEAN MCLAUGHLIN

Scene Music critic

In the grand tradition of Gram Parsons, the Flying Burrito Brothers, and the Byrds’ “Sweetheart of the Rodeo,” Los Angeles’ Beachwood Sparks is a direct descendant of California’s late ’60s country-rock scene. Even singer/guitarist Chris Guest’s voice mirrors an apologetic melding of Roger McGuinn, David Crosby and Gram Parsons.

Once We Were Trees, recorded at J. Matic’s Northampton studio, could easily be derided for aloof hero-worship. Yet, the band’s well-executed use of harmony, a melodic organ and slide guitars manages to create a perpetually spacious, relaxed sound that reflects the ideal lazy sunny afternoon. While the album’s overall vibe deserves praise, Once We Were Trees misses the mark in one key area that made the record so endearing: the band so obviously worships the classics they are today. On One We Were Trees Beachwood Sparks simply fails to deliver a definitive set of great songs that can be individually taken outside the album-context.

Still, there are moments worth attention. The banjo-driven “Old Magazine” is a gorgeous tune that recalls an acoustic Neil Young. “Confusion Is Nothing New” and “The Goodnight Whistle” stand as psychodily-country’s answer to the Verve’s breakthrough work on “Urban Hymns.” Perhaps the best song on the album is the band’s radical reworking of Beachwood Sparks’ “By Your Side.” Although “By Your Side” reveals that Beachwood Sparks knows how to deliver a great pop song, it also illustrates that the band may not know how to write one. Regardless, Once We Were Trees is worth a listen. As spring beckons on the horizon, it could be the standard Saturday afternoon album, a perfect soundtrack for the back porch, the barbecue and not a care in the world.

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**ALBUM REVIEW**

**Mayer proves to be youthful and energetic**

By LIAM FARRELL

Scene Music critic

There is no doubt that there has been a significant rise in the number of singer/songwriters releasing albums on major labels since David Gray released White Ladder state-side. Since that landmark album was released in the United States, artists such as Ryan Adams and Pete Yorn, have started receiving major record label funding and airplay. John Mayer, a 25-year-old artist originally from Connecticut, definitively fits into this scene of musicians with his major label debut, Room for Squares.

It is obvious from both the title of the record and the packaging itself that Mayer is not the consummate “cool” musician — after all, the album is decorated with the Periodic Table. While listening to the album, it also becomes clear that these songs are not written by a bitter, cynical, tortured artist.

Most tracks have a sort of playful naiveté about them that make Mayer more like the guy who stayed home form the prom and played his guitar than the lonely, isolated artist writing songs under the influence. Mayer is definitely a product of older (and much better) “nerd rock” pop music. Reaching back to artists that wore horn rimmed glasses long before Weezer even knew what a guitar was, Mayer writes songs with the type of cheesy pop sensibilities that Elvis Costello and the Attractions played so well.

There have been the obvious and tired comparisons made to both Gray and Dave Matthews, which is clearly shown whenever Mayer opens his mouth and sings with a voice not really suited to what he looks like. But there is something about his music that makes it stand apart from the rest of the singer/songwriters currently making waves.

Mayer must have been pretty excited to get major label money, time, and studio musicians. The production on the album is pretty dense, and there are not just a few uses of overbearing organ and keyboards. Backup singers must not have been plentiful when he was still underground, and the enthusiasm of those sessions comes out in the album.

The album borders on the annoying for about 50 minutes, but what makes the album good is that it never pushes you over. The extremely cheesy “Your Body is a Wonderland” might make elitists turn off the stereo, but the strong amount of guilty pleasure involved in actually listening to a song that is filled with Everly Brothers-esque sexual innuendos is hilarious, and pretty fun.

That type of reaction stays pretty constant throughout the album. It may not be cool, but its enjoyable to hear a musician having such a good time and reveling in the fact that he’s still young and has time not to be bitter.

The songs never really stray that far from talking about youthful problems anyway. Whether Mayer is saying something stupid on a date (“My Stupid Mouth”) or is wishing he was six again (“83”), adult territory is rarely breached. On songs such as “Love Song For No One” and “Not Myself,” there is a different sort of songwriting, with more concerned and typical singer/songwriter lyrics. Still they fit into the album’s main context.

The pace of the album rarely drops. “No Such Thing” and “Why Georgia” set an excellent beginning, with tight grooves and great melodies. “My Stupid Mouth,” one of the strongest tracks, follows suit, and “Your Body is a Wonderland” is an exception at first but riotously gets you to like it.

Perhaps the best song on the album is “Room for Squares” which is a good time and reveling in the fact that he’s still young and has time not to be bitter. Mayer proves to be youthful and energetic.

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**Room for Squares**

**John Mayer**

Sony Records

Rating

The best tracks come at the end of the album, with “Not Myself” and “St. Patrick’s Day.” Both songs are sung effortlessly, and the songs have enjoyable melodies. There is also an increased maturity in the lyrics; in “Not Myself” Mayer says that his lover is his “saving grace,” despite any outward appearance. In the latter track, Mayer is measuring his life in terms of holidays, and knows “we’ll both be safe till St. Patrick’s Day.” All in all, a great way to end the album.

How the album goes over is ultimately going be based on your mood when you listen to it. If you are angry about something, Mayer will probably only increase your hatred of your existence. The music is extraordinarily youthful and enthusiastic, both qualities that could easily turn off people who only enjoy listening to The Smiths, Nine Inch Nails or Sex Pistols.

However, on those more sunny days, Room for Squares provides great background music, and is like reminiscing without remembering all your embarrassing moments. And in the end, isn’t that better than actually going to your high school reunion?

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**Once We Were Trees**

**Beachwood Sparks**

Sub Pop Records

Rating

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ALBUM REVIEW

KMFDM attempts fresh start with Attak

By MIKE SCHMUHL
Scene Music Desk

Since its decline in the mid '90s, industrial rock has found a way to survive through action movie soundtracks and the stereotypes of avid metal fans. KMFDM may be the embodiment of this trend.

KMFDM, one of the pioneers of industrial rock and electronic metal, started its career in the mid '80s. Originally from Germany, the group ventured in Chicago in the early '90s to appeal to the American masses. After a couple major successes, KMFDM disbanded in 1999 after the release of Adios.

Their first full album since the breakup, Attak attempts to renew the industrial sound KMFDM had mastered over their 15-year history. The first song, "Attak/Reload," gets the album off to a good start.

A heavy beat and electronic background effects pounds the listener's ears, as female vocalist Saacha Konietzko adds a powerful chorus. "Dirty" is a much darker song. The intense lyrics and the frightening vocals of lead signer Tim Skold parallel the scratchy beat and heavy guitar riffs.

"Urban Monkey Warfare" is a nice change from "Dirty." With a shallow beat, the group uses the song as a political outlet to sing about modern warfare: "Headed down the hard way/Concrete Battleground/Urban Monkey Warfare/Sabotage Underground Camouflage." The song "Save Me" gives the listener a sample of KMFDM's metal rock talent. Relying on traditional guitar riffs and drums and bass, the band constructs a hard rock song that stands out from the rest of the album.

"Superhero" is the fastest song on the album with a scrambling beat and techno effects. Once again, the band molds opinion into its lyrics as they attack fame and celebrity: "You're a superhero/Demigod/No one anywhere anytime any which way but you! If the mirror speaks the truth we must aspire and work/Harder to be like you/Cause any-

With their first album in awhile, KMFDM shows that they still have the skill to make great industrial rock. Whether they are trying to save a genre or just make great music again, they are off to a fresh start.

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NEW RELEASES

Today

Joey Ramone - Don't Worry About Me
AIR - Everybody Hertz
Sneaker Pimps - Bloodsport
Midnight Oil - Capricornica
Kurupt - G-TV
Headstrong - Headstrong
Rinocerose - Music Kills Me V2

February 26

Biz Markie - The Weekend Warrior
Cher - Living Proof
Bela Fleck and the Flecktones - Living at the Quick Columbia
Gorillaz - G-Sides
Lisa Loeb - Cake & Pie
Alanis Morissette - Under Rug Swept
Rev. Horton Heat - Lucky 7
Rockfour - Another Beginning

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UPCOMING CONCERTS

South Bend

Ani DiFranco - Morris Center - Feb. 19

Reverend Horton Heat
Bon Folds
Allen Amzi Farm
Edwin McCain

Indianapolis

Birdys
Vogue Theater
March 3

Vogue Theater
March 7

Chicago

Nas
Ben Folds
Gorillaz
Bush
John Mayer
Ryan Adams
Distorted Peoples
Wu-Tang Clan
Umphrey's McGee
Better Than Ezra/Cowboy Mouth
50Cent
Nelly

House of Blues
March 10

House of Blues
March 5

Riviera Theater
March 13

Riviera Theater
March 11

Riviera Theater
March 5

Riviera Theater
March 12

Allstate Arena
April 9

Riviera Theater
April 4

Courtesy of ticketmaster.com
By JOE LICANDRO
Sports Writer

Good things come to those who wait.

No one knew this better than Notre Dame sophomore Troy Timmermans.

When I asked him about the Irish's success this season and how it's different from last year, Timmermans simply replied, "I know it's just Tom being really good. He's got great physical presence in there and he's bouncing around a lot more..."

Mike Trey
head coach

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SPORTS

Troy Timmermans

Timmermans knows how to wait to showcase his talent for the Irish

When Doherty decided to leave Notre Dame to coach at his alma mater St. Vincent, Virginia. Although leaving his family was a difficult decision, Timmermans dreamed of one day earning a college scholarship to play basketball. When I did not play, I just kept plugging away."

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Senior Transition Programs

"Integrating Faith and Social Concerns Beyond ND"
Sunday, February 24
1-6 p.m. in Siegfried Hall
- Discussion with others in the Class of '02
- Panel of Alums
- Sunday liturgy
- Pizza Supper
Questions? Call 1-5779

Special Event

"Jung (War) in the Land of the Mujaheddin"
A documentary about life in Afghanistan and challenges of establishing a hospital in the midst of the civil war
"This gripping film, once seen, is unforgettable."
- The New York Times
Tuesday, February 19, 7:00 pm
Hesburgh Library Auditorium
FREE PIZZA AND SODA

After the Taliban came to power in Afghanistan, many schools and homes have been burnt down, lives lost, and the country’s landscape marked with the signs of war. This includes land mines covering the ground, many of which are stepped on by innocent victims. This film examines the experiences of an Italian surgeon and war correspondent as they set up and run a hospital in today’s war torn Afghanistan. This hospital is meant to help these war victims, and presents many challenges and frustrations to its founders.

Sponsored by Global Health Initiative (GHI)
Join GHI to learn about the costs of war in Afghanistan and challenges to international health and humanitarian aid in this war-torn country.

Post-Graduate

Service Opportunities

Passionist Volunteers Information Session
TODAY, 4 p.m. at the CSC
International Programs Presentation
Returned Volunteers from HCA-Chile and other programs
Thursday, February 21
6:30 p.m. Siegfried Hall Lounge
Amate House Information Session
Service placements in Chicago
Sunday, February 24
6:30 p.m. at the Center for Social Concerns
Holy Cross Associates presents...
An Evening With Recently Returned Overseas Volunteers.
Come hear about the experiences of returned volunteers, from a variety of programs, who served in countries such as Chile, Peru and Nicaragua, S. America, and Kenya, Africa.
Who: Anyone interested in meeting and hearing the experiences of these returned volunteers.
Where: Siegfried Hall Lounge
When: This Thursday, Feb. 21, 6:30 p.m.

Current Volunteer Needs:

Tutoring/Children Activities

Male Mentors at Madison Center - Tony Castellino - 235-5457
Three students aged 14-16 at Madison Center are in need of positive male role models in their lives. Please be available to come to Madison Center during their lunch hour (11:30-12:30) or after 5:30 at least once a week. Madison Center is also looking for general tutors for H.S. students. Tutoring/Children Activities
Who: Anyone interested in tutoring children.
Where: Madison Center
When: Whenever you can.

Tutors to help with 1st step preparation - Nan Soltinski - 283-7516
She is looking for tutors to help high school Jrs. & Srs. study for their 1st-step tests, which they must pass prior to graduation. Help is needed from Feb 25th-March 11th. Hours are 3:00-5:00 p.m. at LaSalle H.S. Students need help in the subjects of Math and English.

Tutor for 5th grader at Madison Center - Erin Fermica - erintcon@aol.com
651-1255 (to page her at Madison)

Soccer Coach at El Buen Vecino - Sarah - 287-8228
El Buen Vecino has a soccer team for high school teens and is in need of a coach this season. They would like to practice after school twice a week, however it would be up to the new coach or coaches to set the dates and times of practice.

Volunteer for Preschooler - Marissa Runkle - (219) 289-4831-
marrisar@logancenter.org
A three-year old boy of Russian heritage needs a play companion at Open Door preschool. The student does not necessarily need to know how to speak Russian. Please be available on Tuesdays from 9-10a.m.

*** If you have any questions about these volunteer projects, feel free to email cscvols@nd.edu ***
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WOMEN’S TENNIS

Irish snap losing streak, beat BYU

Special to the Observer

The 18th-ranked Notre Dame women’s tennis team snapped a three-match losing streak with a 5-2 victory over No. 51 Brigham Young Monday in the Eck Tennis Pavilion.

The Irish, whose previous three matches were against teams currently ranked in the national top 10, swept their way to the doubles point and won four of six singles matches to secure the win and improve to 5-3 this season.

BYU fell to 2-5. Notre Dame will return to action Friday when it plays host to No. 47 Iowa at 3:30 p.m. in the Eck Tennis Pavilion.

The Irish won all three doubles matches to take a 1-0 lead. Sophomore Alicia Salas and freshman Sarah Jane Connelly completed first, notching an 8-5 victory at No. 3. Seniors Becky Varnum and Lindsey Green, ranked 29th nationally in doubles, clinched the doubles point with an 8-6 win at No. 1.

Senior Nina Vaughan and junior Dealho Smith completed the sweep with a 9-8 (7-5) win at No. 2. Notre Dame has now won its last 18 matches in which it has captured the doubles point.

Notre Dame won the first four singles matches off the court to gain the victory. Connelly gave the Irish a 2-0 lead with a 6-1, 6-0 win at No. 6. At No. 1, Varnum won 6-3, 6-4 to set up the match-clinching victory, which came in the form of a 6-3, 6-2 win by Salas at No. 4. After the outcome was determined, Vaughan rallied from a 4-0 second-set deficit to win 6-4, 7-5 at No. 2 before Lu Oswald got BYU on the scoreboard with a 6-4, 6-3 victory at No. 3.

In the final match on-court, Elizabeth Koudouarova saved a number of match points in rallying for a 4-6, 7-6 (7-2), 1-0 (10-6) win at No. 6.

Salas’ win improved her singles record to 10-0 this spring. She has won 13 straight singles matches, as well as 16 of her last 17 and holds a 12-0 mark in career dual singles action.

Salas has been particularly dominant at home, posting a combined 18-1 record (10-0 singles, 8-1 doubles) in the Eck Tennis Pavilion this season.

She lost her first career singles match at home as a freshman, but has since won all 15 singles matches in the Eck Tennis Pavilion or Courtney Tennis Center.

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moving on in the tournament. "Not to be a team effort," said Smith. "That's what helped us so much on Saturday. We had some people coming off the bench and doing some great, great things. We need that.

Whoever starts for us, it doesn't matter, it's the whole team with people coming off the bench." Linkous is confident and determined to make that victory happen.

"We have a very positive outlook," said Linkous. "We're already talking about having practice on Wednesday. So we know we won't have practice on Wednesday if we don't win today. So it's a do-or-die situation."

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By DAVE COOK
Sports Writer

In most college sports, it is usually a senior who makes the biggest impact on the team. Basketball has Ryan Humphrey. Football has Anthony Weaver.

But for the Notre Dame men's track and field team it was the freshmen who made perhaps the biggest impact in this past weekend's Big East Conference meet. Freshmen Dwight Ellick, Selim Nuruddeen, Eric Morrison and Chris Staron combined for a total of 27 of Notre Dame's 101.75 points to lead the Irish to a third place finish at the Big East Conference meet.

Sprinter Ellick had probably the most impressive performance of the freshmen, taking third place in both the 200-meter dash and the 60-meter dash.

"Dwight Ellick was ranked third, got third. We got points wherever we could get them," said head coach Joe Plano.

"I felt that I did pretty good. I went through a rough atmosphere. I wasn't worried about being a freshman or anything like that. I have three more years to get first," said Ellick.

Ellick has been making consistent improvement so far this season. In the 60-meter dash, he has taken first in a dual meet against Michigan State and fourth at the Meyo Invitational.

"I was right in the area where I was expecting myself to be. I have areas to improve, so I come back, practice, and just get stronger and better," said Ellick.

Nuruddeen and Morrison were also in top form this weekend. Nuruddeen took third in the 60-meter hurdles and Morrison took fifth in the 800-meter run and was on the eighth place 4x800-meter relay team.

Morrison took seventh in the preliminaries of the 800, then was able to improve in the finals, where the times were a little bit slower than he is used to.

"The time itself was slow, only because everyone needed a new set of kick returns from the preliminaries. In the last 100 meters [in the 800] the guy steps on the rail, and we got helped there," said Plano.

Following up the freshman performances was Staron in the high jump. Staron, whose best jump this year had been 6 feet, 4 inches going into the Big East meet, jumped 6-7.5 to route to a third place finish. He outjumped senior Quill Redwine who had been consistently finishing in front of Staron in previous meets.

The only victories for the Irish in the Big East meet came from senior Ryan Shay who won both the 3,000-meter run and the 5,000-meter run. Shay did not see the strongest competition on the weekend, as he won the 3,000 by more than four seconds and the 5,000 by more than three seconds.

Classmate Luke Watson did not have the weekend he wanted to have.

"It wasn't a bad weekend for me, but it wasn't good either. I thought I could have done better in both events [the 3000-meter and the mile]. Primarily on execution and strategy, because in Big East races in distance races it's all about strategy. I didn't execute as well as I could have," said Watson.

Watson still took second in the 3000 behind Shay and third in the mile run. 04 seconds behind second place Ryan Hayden of Villanova.

Taking first place at the meet was Connecticut, with Villanova finishing in second. No one was surprised that champion Georgetown finished a disappointing fourth place.

"I think the men were probably disappointed [with the third-place finish]. We scored almost everywhere where we could," said Plano.

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ND SOFTBALL

No. 14 Irish start rough, finish smooth at Pepsi Classic

By MATT LOZAR
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame softball over­
came a rough start to the week­
end and won three of its five

4 games at the Arizona Pepsi

Classic at the University of

Notre Dame could not carry

over that momentum to Saturday's game against

Louisville. The Cardinals went up

1-0 on Melissa Jacobo's fourth

inning homerun, but the Irish tied

the game on Bledsoe's RBI single

that scored Loman from third.

Freshman Stefanny Stenglein

relied fellow freshman Carrie

Wisen in the top of the seventh

and yielded three runs as the

Irish lost 4-1. Those freshmen

pitched all but one inning over

the weekend and gained some

valuable experience.

"They [Stenglein and Wisen] did

a tremendous job this weekend

for us," said Bledsoe. "It is a

tough thing to come into a great

program and excel right away.

They have one of the best defens­
es in the nation and need to learn

how to use it.

However, the Irish made a

comeback. They scored two runs

on errant throws to get within

one. The comeback fell short

when Jenny Kretch was thrown

out at third trying to advance on a

wild throw.

That afternoon, the Irish

offense came together against

New Mexico State. Stenglein

started the game and gave up

three runs before she was pulled

after getting only one out. Wisen

relied her to keep the Irish in

the game by giving up four runs

in six and two-third innings.

The Irish offense got started in

the fourth by exploding for five

runs. Lisa Mattison drove in

Bledsoe and Jarrah Myers to get

the lead down to two. Then, two

errors by the Aztec shortstop

enabled the Irish to take a 5-3

lead.

Notre Dame added one more in

the top of the fifth and New

Mexico State came back with

three in the bottom of the sixth to

take a 7-6 lead. Liz Hartmann

drove in Myers on a 1-2 pitch to

bring the Irish even. Then, in the

eighth, Myers doubled home

Loman to give the Irish the win­

ning run and the 8-7 victory.

Junior Jessica Sharron pitched

the bottom of the eighth to get the

save for Wisen (1-1).

The Irish jumped out to the

early lead against Southern

Florida. Loman brought Kretch

home with a single in the first and

the Irish scored two unearned

runs in the third to take a 3-0

lead.

South Florida scored one in

the sixth and two in the seventh, but

could not get anymore giving the

Irish the 5-3 victory. Stenglein

(2-1) got the victory with Wisen pick­

ing up the save.

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Freestyle Skier from down under comes out on top

Skier from down under comes out on top

American Brett Hull positions himself in front of goalie Andrei Meznik during an American victory on Monday.
Lasorda

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some of the most important things in life.

"I come here tonight, not to hear my voice, but to deliver a message, and the message is to the youngsters to love your parents and to do everything you can to make them proud of you," Lasorda said.

A longtime friend of Mainieri, Lasorda has also developed a close relationship with Notre Dame during the past year, including giving a speech at the Tennessee pep rally.

"I saw that baseball team filing in here earlier, and I was out there working with them today," Lasorda said. "And I have never seen a bunch of young baseball players who were more polite than those fellows. That's a tribute to the parents, No. 1. And, No. 2, that's a tribute to [Paul Mainieri] because he is ... without a doubt one of the finest college coaches in this entire country."

While much of the speech focused on baseball, Lasorda stressed the importance of getting an education and taking advantage of opportunities in life.

"You young men, you players, you come here for an education — that's why you're here," Lasorda commented. "You're fortunate enough to play sports, but get an education, because that's why you come here."

The coach also emphasized the importance of doing everything in life to the best of one's abilities.

"When you get up in the morning and look in the mirror, there's going to be people two people you cannot fool: God and yourself," he stated. "And you're going to say one of two things to yourself: 'How far could I have gone in life if I had given it everything that I had?'

If you didn't, you'll regret the rest of your life, but if you did, you'll never have any regrets because you're doing what you're supposed to do."

As he concluded, Lasorda's admiration for the University showed through with some of his closing statements to the team.

"When you go out there to play, play the game for the name on the front of the jersey and not on the back," Lasorda said. "Represent this team because it's the greatest institution that you could ever represent. Don't ever embarrass it, and when you leave here, leave a legacy for those coming in behind you. If you are what you are supposed to, no one will ever be able to beat that legacy.

You have this opportunity — play, play your heart out," Lasorda said. "Wear that uniform with pride, dignity and character, and you'll never regret it."

The evening was held to generate excitement about the Irish baseball team and its upcoming season. Everyone who bought tickets to the function also received season tickets for the 2002 baseball season.

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who I finished right behind. When I have someone like her pushing me at practice, it helps you carry that strategy into the game," said Gunn.

"One surprise was Tiffany Gunn. What a help that was. Nobody anticipated that. She ended up getting five points where we were hoping for one," said Plane.

Joe Plane recognized how important Gunn's race was over the weekend, also.

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Joe Plane

head coach

and Georgetown had 102 points going into the race.

Fortunately for the Irish, Georgetown got second and Notre Dame got third, which gave the Irish the two-point lead over the Hoyas.

"If we ended up third, we couldn't lose. We were cooling for our ladies to be at least third, and Seton Hall to win, which is exactly what happened," said Plane. "We were very confident going into the race. We thought we had to beat Georgetown to win, so it came as a surprise that we had won," said Grow who anchored the relay team.

Jamie Voikmer also had a strong day, provisionally qualifying for nationals in the pole vault.

Volleyball

Georgetown’s first victory in the indoor conference meet and the coaches were named Coaches of the Year for indoor track and field.

"They were great. It was wonderful," said Plane.

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JPW doesn’t stop Irish from gripping No. 2

Second place for the women at the Purdue Golden Grills Invitational was a stunning accomplishment, as the JPW depleted gymnastics squad was missing several members. Highlights included Caitlin O’Brien’s 9.0 first place on the Vault, and the team’s domination on the Bars, as O’Brien took the座席 at 9.625. The JPW Invitational was a stunning accomplishment, as the depleted gymnastics squad was missing several members. Highlights included Caitlin O’Brien’s 9.0 first place on the Vault, and the team’s domination on the Bars, as O’Brien took the seat at 9.625. The men’s side, only two Irish were able to attend. James DeStefano performed on rings, parallel bar and vault, while Pete Blount entered rings, floor and vault, but the Irish were out of the scoring. The club will complete next weekend at Indiana’s Big Red Invitational.

Women’s water polo
Playing before family and friends during JPW, the Irish dominated their first conference tournament of the season. With no winner Brigade-Adge and her defense holding opponents to 12 goals in three games, the Irish exploded on attack. Seniors Lauren Kuzniar and Liz Parolin splashed home 12 and nine goals each, while Allison Gienko and Margo Klosterman chipped in with five goals apiece and Jacque Aragon ripped the nets for three more. The Irish opened with a 19-7 pounding of Western Michigan, followed by two one-sided victories over Grand Valley, 15-2, and Bowling Green, 21-3. The scheduled fourth game with Xavier was officially declared a forfeit as the Irish posted a 4-0 record for the tournament.

Men’s volleyball
The Irish neuters took three of four contests in the Midwest Ten Challenge Qualifier this weekend, including two stunners over nationally ranked teams, at host Iowa. In the tournament opener, the Irish edged Northern Illinois 25-23, 19-25, 15-13. In the second round the Irish squared off against Wisconsin-Whitewater, undefeated in conference play and ranked 14th nationally. The Irish dropped a 25-21 first game before rallying to win 25-17, 16-14. Next up was No. 20 Ball State, who also fell to the Irish 25-19, 22-25, 15-9. With their roster also reduced by JPW, fatigue finally caught up with the Irish, as they dropped the finale to Wisconsin-Oshkosh, 27-25, 25-22.

With so many players missing, newcomers Dan Farrizlale and Nick Abrams stepped up to fill voids at middle hitter and Libero, while Mike Giampa played well out of his normal position at outside hitter. Adam Schreier’s passing complemented Phil Autrey, who was able to direct an attack with many new faces. Veterans Jim Lowder Robson, Nick Abrams and Greg Silver anchored the team and provided some needed stability.

Ultimate
Cincinnati’s Arctic Vogue may have to be look out party for the men’s squad of the ultimate club, as they reached the quarterfinals before falling to Indianapolis 13-7. The Irish opened the season with a convincing 17-2 victory over Northwestern and followed up with a close win over Hope College, 12-10. Victories over Cincinnati, 11-9, and a club team 15-10 moved the team in the quarters. Stanford Hall’s sophomore tandem of Sean O’Neill and Jess Moore played well all weekend on both sides of the disc, as the Irish continue to build team depth.

Equestrian
The equestrians competed at Purdue this weekend in separate Saturday and Sunday meets. On Sunday, the Irish’ Molly Kopacz earned high point rider honors as she took first in Intermediate Flat and Intermediate Fences. Many riders had outstanding performances as Quin Swiney captured first in novice fences, and Meganne Hoffman and Jill Godbout placed second in open fences and novice fences respectively. Callie Willis earned third in novice flats as did Erin Hughes in advanced walk/trot/canter. Godbout’s fourth in intermediate flat was complemented by Mary Barter and and Kelly Gentine tying for sixth in the event. Barter also placed fourth in open fences.

In Saturday’s meet, Quin Swiney took second in both novice flat and novice fences, while Meganne Hoffman took third in open fences and fifth in open flat to pace the Irish. Kristen Jones and Barter placed fifth, sixth in open fences and Kopacz and Godbout took third and second in intermediate and novice fences respectively.

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Twenty-four schools, including national powerhouse St. Olaf, St. Thomas, Gustavus, Minnesota, Northern Michigan, Michigan Tech and Marquette, faced off at the Vermont Continental Classic at Marquette, Mich. In Saturday’s slalom, the Irish men captured 11th place, as the four skiers earned points for their team. Joe Payne led the Irish with a 32nd place showing, followed closely in order by Dan Block, Wes Jacobs and Eric Hanson. Jason Leucht and Susie Wlr narrowly missed the top four, while Marc Pribacz, who had a first place run at Downhill, was unable to finish his first run on the hard-packed snow.

The women’s squad, missing start Molly Munsterer to JPW. finishing 15th as Danielle Clements finished first on the squad in 11th place. Also garnering points for the women were Ellen Block, Lauren Dacey, and Leslie Schmidt. Alisa Muria Hernandez and Caitlin Wolf both finished, but out of scoring.

In the giant slalom on Sunday, both squads finished 11th. Block, Payne, Leucht, and Jacobs finished seventh in the scoring for the men, while Clements Block, Dacey and Schmidt gained points for the women.

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Irish ready to top Mountaineers

By KATIE McVOY  
Associate Sports Editor

At 8 p.m. on Saturday things were questionable for the Irish. On a court where they have a bad history without their go-to player, the Irish were unsure how they would play against the Rutgers Scarlet Knights. However, tonight as the Irish take their home court to face off against the West Virginia Mountaineers, the mood will be more settled.

After winning one game without leading scorer Jackie Batteast, it looks as if an Irish team that was unstable without Batteast early in the season has progressed enough that it can bring home the win even without her.

"I think the rest of the team, everybody's doing a little more," said head coach MUFFET McGRAW. "I think they all want to do well."

Batteast, who will be out again on Tuesday due to a partially torn knee ligament, may find it difficult to watch from the sidelines, but she's confident in her teammates' abilities to carry the team.

"They're capable of stepping up and now people actually have to. People did."

Jackie Batteast  
forward

"I really thought [Flecky] played well," McGraw said. "She and Teresa played so well together, they're going to play a lot together."

Freshman Allison Bustamante may also get to see some more playing time in the wake of the Irish injuries. With junior point guard Jeneka Joyce sidelined again because of an Achilles' tendon injury, Bustamante may see some extra time at point guard, a position she started in against Seton Hall two weeks ago.

"Like Coach said, it's a great opportunity for a bunch of people to step up and show what they can do," Bustamante said. "I think we will do that."

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Lasorda pleases crowd

Former Dodgers coach speaks at baseball dinner

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Former Los Angeles Dodgers head coach Tommy Lasorda unofficially opened the 2002 Irish baseball season with a speech to Irish players and fans in the Joyce Center Monday night.

Notre Dame's season does not begin until Friday but the "ballpark style" dinner gave Notre Dame fans a chance to see the team before it travels to New Orleans to face Missouri in the first game of the season.

Lasorda cast a light-hearted tone on the evening, telling humorous stories from his many years in baseball with the Dodgers.

The legendary coach and Olympic gold medal winner entertained the crowd of fans with numerous stories about baseball, Italians and Catholics before moving on to the more serious part of his speech.

"I've been to a lot of affairs throughout these great United States and I love to meet people because when I leave I always feel so much richer, and I know when I leave here I will feel so much richer," Lasorda said.

Lasorda spoke to many of the young people in the audience about what he considered important.

Grow leads Irish to Big East title

By DAVE COOK
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Track and field is an individual sport. From start to finish, the individual is in total control of the outcome of a race.

But for senior sprinter Liz Grow, teamwork is most important.

It is what won the Big East Conference meet for the Irish this weekend.

"This is my team, I've done it for four years, I love it. I love it so much to see how far we've come, and to watch these girls give it there all for this team. It's unbelievable," said Grow.

Freshman hurdler Tiffany Gunn feels the impact that Grow has on this team this year.

"She's awesome. She's one of those captains where if you're down, she'll put you on your back. But if you're not giving your 100 percent she'll chew you out. She's one of those people that if you're not performing your best, she's not going to be happy. She makes sure that I'm giving it my all, she leads by example," said Gunn.

Grow's success on the track at the Big East Conference championship was equally important as her impact on the team.

Grow was in three events totaling five races on the weekend en route to setting a school record in the 500-meter and scoring 15 points for the Irish.

"[Grow] is probably the best pick for captain that [Irish head coach John] Millar has," said Gunn.

Grow took second in the 500 and eighth in the 200, and was on the mile relay team that took third place.

"I wish I would have won the 500. I really wanted those two points, I scored eight points where I would have scored 10 if I won," said Grow.

Gunn was probably the biggest surprise of the meet.

A freshman 60-meter hurdler who was ranked eighth going into the meet, Gunn snuck into the finals and took a fourth place finish for the Irish.

"I've kept improving each weekend. It helps practicing alongside Tameisha King," said Gunn.

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