Senate opposes ban on in-hall dances

Resolution unanimously passes and will go before CLC today

By ANDREW SOUKUP
News Writer

Claiming residence life would be damaged if dances were forced out of the hall, the Senate unanimously passed a resolution Sunday opposing the proposed ban on in-hall dances and criticizing the decision-making process used by the Office of Student Affairs in revising the alcohol policy.

The resolution will now be presented at today's Campus Life Council meeting, the same meeting where Father Mark Poorman, vice president for Student Affairs, is expected to formally announce the proposed changes to the University's alcohol policy. While the resolution said in-hall dances, commonly called SYRs, should be allowed to continue, it did not directly address the Office of Student Affairs' proposed ban on "hard" alcohol in undergraduates' dorms or the revisions to the tailgating policy.

"The other two were brought up, but right now our biggest concern is SYRs," said Dillon Hall Senator Jim Ryan, who helped draft and revise the resolution along with Lewis Hall Senator Jennie Flannery and Student Body Vice President-elect Trip Foley. According to the resolution, the proposed alcohol policy threatens to negatively alter or eliminate memorable campus traditions by forcing dances to be moved out of the residence hall. Senators listed 14 campus traditions, such as Alumni Hall's Wake, the Fisher Regatta and the Lewis Crush, that would be affected by the changes.

The resolution also said the University recognizes the tradition of in-hall dances through an appeal for donations sent by the Annual Fund to alumni. The advertisement asks for money to "ensure that the next generation of students has the opportunity to enjoy the richness of campus traditions." The resolution said the council will consider the announced changes, but it did not directly oppose the changes.

Leaders hope for student support at CLC meeting

By JASON McFARLEY
News Writer

Student government officials plan to mount a public offensive today against proposed changes to the alcohol policy as University administrators formally introduce the changes to the Campus Life Council.

The push follows an emergency Student Senate meeting Sunday where members rushed passage of a resolution contesting the recommended ban of in-hall dances. Brooke Norton, student body president and chair of the CLC, said the council will consider the resolution during its 3:30 p.m. meeting in the Notre Dame Room of LaFortune Student Center.

Nortott, who last week organized a student rally protesting the announced changes, also has arranged for CLC members to address the council.

Smc junior dies in car accident

By SHEILA EGTS
Saint Mary's Editor

Saint Mary's junior and South Bend resident Misty Sloom, 29, died in a one-car traffic accident early Saturday morning on Ridgedale Road, police said.

The car was traveling south on Ridgedale when Sloom failed to negotiate a turn in the road. The car veered off the roadway and struck a tree, police said.

Sloom was wearing a seat belt, and the car's air bag also deployed, police said. She was pinned in the car and pronounced dead at the scene from internal injuries. Sloom was the sole occupant of the vehicle.

The South Bend Police Department is still investigating the fatal crash. Sloom, of the 900 block of East Fairview Avenue, died about 4:30 a.m. near her home on the city's south side.

Hair dryer sparks Welsh Hall fire

By HELENA PAYNE
News Editor

A fire forced residents of Welsh Family Hall to evacuate their dorm minutes before 9 a.m. Friday but caused no serious injuries.

The fire, caused by sparking hair dryer in Room 303 of the women's residence hall, was quickly contained after sprinklers turned on and firefighters arrived, officials said. One of the roommates finished using her hair dryer Friday morning, placed it on a high shelf of a plastic storage unit and left the room shortly before the second roommate walked in to find sparks and smoke coming from the dryer, according to Rex Rakow, director of Notre Dame Security/Police. Rakow said campus police soon received a call from the second roommate, who thought the fire had been put out, but when police and firefighters arrived, the fire was still burning.

"There was a lot of smoke and not much damage," said Security/Police spokesman Fred Riddle.

Residents of Welsh Family Hall sift through soaked items in the hall lobby searching for personal belongings after a fire on Friday morning. The fire was contained by overhead sprinklers.

Scene shares a taste of local delicacies in a review of various South Bend cuisines.

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**INSIDE COLUMN**

**Snowballs**

Before I came to college, I hadn't owned a scarf or gloves for ten years. My family moved to Arizona when I was 12. It was then that I lost the snow and everything that came with it.

Not to say that we didn't have snow in Arizona, we get it every once in a while in the mountains. Snow in Arizona is always a beautiful thing, and even more beautiful is it when it is all gone by noon. It is picture-perfect, never black and never very white. I remember in junior high when we had a snow day, but by afternoon, the snow was gone and we were back riding side bikes. I love the cacti, the sunshine and the dry heat. I love wearing sandals everyday of the year and never having to pack away winter sweaters. I love Arizona in its entire splendor, but my love for sun doesn't stop me from having fond memories of snow from my childhood.

I grew up in Arlington, Va. Each winter, I remember piling on clothes so I could go outside and remain unaffected by the cold. I remember playing in the snow with my little brother when we were younger. I was always the one who would initiate the snowball fights. I was the one who would shove handfuls of snow down his pants. I was the one who ended up laughing the most. I also had fond memories of the snow — until this year. This is the first time in my life I am experiencing snow. Ten years later, I am back in the snow. And now, my little brother is here with me. And we’re back in the snow together, with one problem: Justin’s a little wiser, a lot bigger and seeking revenge.

So far, I have experienced this revenge over a dozen times. Seems like Justin just loves to sneak up on his poor defenseless sister. Unlike childhood, when we would dress up and prepare to go outside and play in the snow, these attacks come without warning. I cannot prepare. I cannot escape. I am always on my toes if you happen to see me running, followed closely by a large man with a handful of snow, don’t laugh it off as simple sibling rivalry. There was a time in New Jersey when I had to supply his revenge for years. I mean, a handful of snowstorms as children is nothing compared to two more years of walking in constant fear.

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The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

**BEYOND CAMPUS**

**USC combines student cell phones with credit cards**

LOS ANGELES

University of Southern California researchers are set to begin market tests on a system in August that may use Nokia phones to order things in place of credit cards.

By summer’s end, students selected in the pilot study, which will distribute 500 to 1,000 phones, will be allowed to purchase items from USC’s dining venues and possibly the bookstore.

A full-scale study involving more students will begin after the pilot ends. The study is the first of its kind in the United States.

USC was asked for permission to conduct the study by South Korea’s Harex Infotech, which will finance the research through subsidiary Zoop International, the company developing the software.

But while the infrared payment system developed by Harex has been wildly popular in South Korea, researchers working on the three-year project in the United States are skeptical about the possibility of duplicating that success.

Such success could not be replicated because of social and cultural differences in the United States, said Francis Pereira, the director of the program.

But Mike Watson, senior vice president of Zoop International, said he was more optimistic.

“Everywhere in the world you go, there is slightly different payment culture,” he said. “One of the purposes of this trial is just finding out the human needs and the key functionalities in the process in the U.S.”

Pereira’s fears may initially be found true, however. Nearly 60 percent of 40 students surveyed said they would not be interested in the new technology.

“Everything’s about efficiency now, and we want to carry less, but I can still stick my credit card in my back pocket,” said Talia Ziedel, a junior majoring in business administration. “That’s easier than having it in a cell-phone.”

**SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY**

Grad students endorse unionization

The Graduate Student Organization Senate approved a motion Thursday night supporting efforts to unionize graduate assistants at Syracuse University, adding to growing tensions between graduate assistants and administrators about the issue. The motion, which endorses the concept of unionization without specifically advocating a particular union, comes less than two weeks after Chancellor Kenneth Shaw sent a letter to graduate assistants advising against unionization.

Though it was approved, the endorsement did not receive the unanimous support of all 450 members present. Several major universities have recently experienced pressure from graduate employees for unionization, including a successful union bid at New York University earlier this school year. GA’s at Syracuse argue that unionization is the only way to address issues regarding fringe benefits, health insurance and office space, and excessively arduous workloads that interfere with scholarly work.

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Speaker advocates peace

By KIFLIN TURNER
Assistant News Editor

Achieving peace through violence is not the solution, but it is an unfortunate reality, said Colman McCarthy, founder and director of the Center for Teaching Peace in Washington D.C., and journalist for the Washington Post.

As the keynote speaker of the Notre Dame Undergraduate Peace Conference last Friday night, McCarthy questioned the conventional methods of attaining peace and how to best become a part of the peacemakers.

"Peace is a result of love," said McCarthy, who pointed to prayer, service and non-violence as the path to a peaceful future.

The peace advocate said that prayer and spirituality, regardless of the faith, are necessary in practicing the essential tenets of peace through forgiveness and non-violence.

Decreasing someone's pain and increasing someone's peace through a small act, McCarthy said, is of real importance.

"Eighty percent of the lawyers we work with 20 percent of the people," said McCarthy. "Very few of us are called on to do great things, but all of us are called to do simple things." McCarthy asked the audience if it were possible to teach peace in an institutional setting. At an inner-city high school in Washington D.C., McCarthy organized and implemented a volunteer course on radical non-violence but noted that very few programs in the country exist in peace studies, saying people graduate "peace illiterate."

"Peace is not abstract," he said. "It's something we're living with," said McCarthy. "We live in a violent society."

McCarthy said every day the U.S. Congress gives the Department of the State, referred to as the "Department of Killing" by McCarthy, $800 million a day for the military budget that is four times the budget of the Peace Corps. He said this amount is also three times the budget for Teach for America (a program that encourages college graduates to teach in public schools) annually allotted to both programs.

McCarthy named the United States as the largest seller of weapons in the world that initially provides the means for violent conflict among nations that occur in third world countries.

"This is all wars are — the poor killing the poor," said McCarthy. The word "war," said McCarthy, has become so denationalized that it is no longer an adequate expression to denote the level of true suffering.

"We use it so much, it doesn't have any impact," he said. "I call it slaughter.

This legal violence, according to McCarthy, is injustice in its purest form. "We have encouraged Mccarthy. "The answers that say it ends with violence that is not seen does not dispel it from being violence nonetheless. McCarthy identified two types of violence that exist, hot and cold.

"International violence in the World Trade Center. You saw it, you felt it, it was visceral," said McCarthy.

"We don't believe in forgiveness, or otherwise we would have," said McCarthy. "It'll be a long time when we have a democratic government that respects human rights.

McCarthy urged students to take advantage of the peace studies program at Notre Dame and Saint Mary's because of its rare presence in higher education.

"Question the answers," encouraged McCarthy. "The answers that say it ends with violence.

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Midnight Madness

Saint Mary's juniors hold their hands behind their backs and shove their faces into bowls in a frantic attempt to win the orange Jello-eating contest at Midnight Madness Friday night.

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2002 Arts & Letters Departmental Follow-up Sessions

As a follow-up to the Majors & Program Fair, the departments listed below are holding informational meetings for prospective majors.

CAPP:
Monday, March 25 at 6:00 p.m.
in room 207 DeBartolo.

Sociology:
Sociology Majors' pizza party is scheduled for April 2, from 5:00 - 6:30, in 824 Flanner Hall.

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members to speak against the policies and hoped for large student turnout to the meeting. The biweekly meetings are open to the public.

"We want a strong showing from students," Norton said. "We hope to pack the meeting and let administrators see that this is an important issue to students."

More than 600 students attended Wednesday's rally, eventually marching to Main Building, where Father Mark Poorman's office is housed. Poorman, vice president for Student Affairs, will officially present the policy changes he announced to students a week ago. The changes — the first to the University alcohol policy in 14 years — require revisions to the student handbook, du Lac. Ordinarily, Bill Kirk, assistant vice president for Residence Life, proposes du Lac revisions to the CLC.

"I thought the alcohol changes were so important that I wanted to do them myself," Poorman said.

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Rakow

Officials weren't releasing an estimate of how much the damages cost, but second-floor rooms beneath the site of the fire also suffered some water damage. Many of the residents' belongings were cleared out immediately after the fire so that it could dry. It had been wetted by overhead sprinklers in the room.

The two sophomores who occupied the one-room double were treated at the scene for smoke inhalation along with one University maintenance employe.

"It has been absolutely amazing how these girls have come together," said resident assistant Elizabeth Cryan, who lives in the section where the fire started. Cryan left the hall Friday around 8:30 a.m. to work on a thesis and came back in the dorm around 11 a.m. after the fire had been extinguished. The RA said she found dorm residents as well as outsiders helping to clean up the room.

Student Body President-elect Libby Bishop was one of the students that volunteered to help tidy the room.

"Everything was soaked," said Bishop, who lives on the dorm's fourth floor. "You really had enough stuff you actually have in your room when you're going through it by hand."

Cryan said her primary concern Friday was to make sure everyone affected by the fire was safe.

"Right now, we're all just so thankful for everyone to be safe," said Cryan.

Both residents moved to a different room in Welsh after the fire.

"They're doing well," said Cryan. "They're definitely really leaning on their friends and family.

The residents of the Welsh room were unavailable for comment.

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Koreas to reopen dialogue: South and North Korea have agreed to resume dialogue and exchange special envoys moving to ease tensions in one of the world's most militarized regions. The agreement was reached after a series of secret talks between the two governments at the North's Diamond Mountain resort and third countries, officials said. The mountain is a tourist attraction that has been open to South Koreans since 1998.

Serbs rally against NATO: Supporters of Slobodan Milosevic marked the third anniversary of NATO's air war on Yugoslavia Sunday. Carrying Serbian flags and chanting "NATO we will exterminate," some 7,000 Milosevic supporters rallied in Belgrade to condemn the 1999 bombing and to protest the former leader's war crimes trial in The Hague.

Ridge will not testify in Congress: Homeland Security Director Tom Ridge stood firm Sunday in his refusal to testify before Congress about the White House's anti-terrorism budget, saying his appearance would violate the constitution's separation of powers. Ridge said he will continue to meet informally with lawmakers, but he has no intention of testifying because he is an adviser to the president, not a Cabinet member obliged to appear on Capitol Hill.

States continue to fight Microsoft: The nine states suing Microsoft for antitrust violations still think they can persuade the court to impose far-reaching penalties on the company. The states want Microsoft to divulge its blueprints for its competitors' features. The states also want to curb Microsoft's influence with lawmakers, but he has no intention of testifying because he is an adviser to the president, not a Cabinet member obliged to appear on Capitol Hill.

Indiana News Briefs: Official apologizes for comments: A county official has apologized for using the words "trailer trash" in an e-mail about tax changes affecting mobile homes. The memo from Diane Hawkins, director of Tippecanoe County's Management Information Technology Services, was distributed to some county employees and mentioned a change to the property tax program the department was using. Hawkins said she used the word "trash" as a pun to refer to a difficult, time-consuming software program the department was using.

News analysis: Afghanistan: The security chief of Khost province, Sur Gul, escaped injury in the attack, the latest in a series of incidents in the area involving rival groups, according to Hakratuddin, intelligence chief of Khost. Hakratuddin said the assailants opened fire on Gul because he had tried to disarm them a day earlier in the Khost public market.

Afghan government said the assailants were believed to have been allies of the United States and took refuge in the Americans' fortified airport compound. There was no confirmation from U.S. forces. The security chief of Khost province, Sur Gul, escaped injury in the attack, the latest in a series of incidents in the area involving rival groups, according to Hakratuddin, intelligence chief of Khost. Hakratuddin said the assailants opened fire on Gul because he had tried to disarm them a day earlier in the Khost public market.
Senate leaders elected

By NATALIE BAILEY
Now Writer

Saint Mary's students elected Friday the 2002-2003 new leaders for Student Diversity Board and Residence Hall Association. A record number of students participated in the SDB election. Sarah Mahoney and Nila Ahmad ticket won the RHA election for the 2002-2003 new leadership.

"Getting rid of SYR very seriously impacts the community at school," Ryan said. "Some of the biggest events each dorm has are in the dorm." Senators also disagreed with the process through which the policy was implemented. They said the proposal will go before the University's key officers without the approval of the CLC Task Force on Alcohol Policy. Several senators claimed less than 80 students were involved in the focus groups POorman said were consulted prior to his recommending the change. "I think most students are upset students weren't involved in the writing of the policy," said Carroll Hall Senator Jesse Flores, who is also a member of the CLC Task Force on Alcohol Policy. During the decision-making process, Flores said the data from the 28 focus groups, which he said were composed of a broad spectrum of people, was compared with data from a study on college binge drinking conducted by the Harvard School of Public Health. "[The administration] was looking to see if the focus groups matched up with the numbers," he said. "It turns out they did." Most of the half-hour debate revolved around making sure the resolution was factually correct. Senators eliminated a clause saying more students attended in-hall dances than out-of-hall dances and argued about what figure should be used to represent the number of students involved in focus groups before settling on saying "less than 80 students" were involved.

"The CLC is going to look to pick it apart," Saint Senator Pat Hallahan said. "We need to make sure it's tight." The Senate resolution will be presented for CLC approval at this after­noon's meeting. If adopted by the CLC, the resolution will be submitted to the Office of Student Affairs. Although the office is not obligated to comply with the resolution, it typically incorporates CLC resolutions into its decision-making process. "This is not the only step," Ryan said of the Senate resolution. "It is not the end-all-solution." In other Senate news:

- Senators tabled a resolution to increase the percentage of funding allocated to the Club Coordination Council. The CCC sought to increase the percentage of money they received from the Financial Management Board from about 37 percent to 40 percent. With the extra money, they hoped to implement a collaboration fund to streamline events sponsored by clubs. "This would reduce redundancies and create more efficiency between clubs," said Brian Ciameney, CCC Academic Division chairman. "Rather than having two clubs sponsor two small events, we could have one big event." But senators expressed concern at simply giving more money to the CCC because they were unsure how exactly it would be distributed.

"I'm not sure it's really productive to funnel money if we don't know where we're going to use it," Flores said.

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Library adds rare letters to collections
By LAUREN BECK
News Writer
Notre Dame alumnus Robert O'Grady and his wife Beverly presented Friday a rare collection of Latin American liberator Jose de San Martin's letters to the Hesburgh Library.
San Martin wrote the 45 letters during his military campaigns in Latin America from 1814 to 1821. The letters document his liberation of Chile, Argentina and Peru. Most of the correspondence is to Chilean General Bernardo O'Higgins, reporting on military progress, coordinating troops and requesting supplies.
O'Grady, an Argentine native and 1963 Notre Dame graduate, said the letters were an important reflection of San Martin's character.
"San Martin is enormously inspirational. He was an individual at a level of the very best, up there with George Washington and the other Founding Fathers," he said.
History professor Ivan Jaksic considered San Martin an heroic leader in a time of confusion and civil war.
"San Martin left a beautiful legacy. He was a man of true integrity, a leader who refused to shed unnecessary blood." - Jennifer Younger, director of University Libraries
The letters, which will reside in the library's Department of Rare Books and Special Collections, are invaluable primary resources, said Jennifer Younger, director of University Libraries.
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Jaksic said faculty members and students alike would benefit from the donation.
"The letters are important for teaching because they show the texture of history and give us the elements we need to convey history," he said.
Students may consult the letters for research.
Beverly O'Grady said she hoped the letters would interest students of all disciplines. "They provide a wide base for people whose interests are anywhere in this field — politics, literature, economics," she said.
The San Martin letters added to the O'Grady Collection, which features other rare Latin American books, poetry and letters that the couple has acquired from book dealers.
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The blind leading the blind

Mike Marchand

In the last month, three programs ran that have pushed the boundaries for what we can watch. There was the CBS documentary "9/11," an uncensored look at one fire house's response to the terrorist attacks; ESPN's "A Season On The Brink," which ran on the same night, but was much more buttoned up; and basically a vehicle for Brian Dennehy to swear a Hoosier-reek near every sentence; and FX's new cop drama "The Shield," which is so raunchy that it makes "NYPD Blue" look like "CHiPs."

What do these have in common with the new alcohol policy? It's called the law of unintended consequences. Those three TV programs would never have made air 10, five or even three years ago. The only reason we can watch them now is because the networks that broadcast them clearly put the "M" label on them, wanting to preserve the aura of mature content. So in an entertaining irony, the labels that were swathed on shows to make television safer for children resulted in more adult content than ever before.

Last week, the Office of Student Affairs handed down its holy decree that henceforth, students shall not possess hard liquor in dorm rooms and there shall be no enjoyment of the Screech Thou-Roommate festivales and bars, where the long arm of the University law doesn't have jurisdiction. That leaves a massive loophole where all the people who would ordinarily be getting wasted in dorms will flee through in a mass exodus. It solves nothing, and in fact makes the problem worse. But the new policy is blind to such unforeseen outcomes.

A student who lives on campus has friends, resident assistants and residents who can deal with a hazardous situation. There are no such safeguards outside the Notre Dame bubble. Who will help when a student that no one knows passes out at an off-campus bash? Who will take the keys from a plastered partier when he or she decides to drive home? Who will make sure that person gets back safe? Instead of assuming control of the situation, the University decided to wash its hands and hope that strangers, the South Bend Police Department, cab drivers or God knows who else takes care of it for them. Some "in loco parentis."

Furthermore, even in dorms, if someone engages in abusive drinking, the problem could go unreported and unanswered. Theories have been proposed, with some logic to them, that the University's negative attitude toward sexual relations contributes to an aura of silence about rape. Victims are reluctant to come forward because they don't want to admit that they had sex, or became intoxicated to the point where they were taken advantage of. If, under these new alcohol rules, a student hosts a party where someone gets hammered to the point where they need assistance, will they tell their RA? Or their rector? Even if the host is 21 and only beer was served, the stigma of the new rules could impair the judgment of even someone who hasn't drunk a drop.

Lastly, if you want to stop a problem, you have to identify what it is and stop the only measurable actions to stop it. If underage drinking is the problem, increase the fines for minors who are caught drinking, and start punishing harder those of legal age who either supply them the house or fake IDs to buy it. If binge drinking is the problem, punish the binge drinkers. Perhaps RedLife could set up "alcohol probation" for repeat offenders.

In sum, the new alcohol policy is flawed because it won't force the heavy or underage drinkers to stop, and those students who do drink legally and responsibly suffer because they can't have their choice of drinks they can keep in their living space. Once more, the University has put the "locus" back in "in loco parentis." By deciding on a new policy that's the equivalent of using a neutron weapon to flatten an ant hill, being blind to both the fallout and the collateral damage it causes. There are ways to fix problem drinking without stopping all over the toes of responsible students. Start there first.

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Letters question administration’s intent

Changes in alcohol policy focus on improving campus life

Would it surprise you to learn that for the last 10 years your peers at Duke University have been fighting a losing, rear guard action against comprehensive plans to improve the quality of their campus life by limiting on-campus abuse of alcohol and invigorating other dimensions of campus life?

The last two Duke University administrations have made massive and positive alterations in campus housing policy, changed the status of freshmen and started a variety of new programs to enhance the integration of academic and campus life. With faculty cooperation, they have made efforts to bring faculty back to campus in the evening and on the weekends and increase the number of faculty and faculty families resident on campus.

The tired refrain, “We work hard, therefore we play hard,” uttered in a context where everyone knows that “hard play” actually interferes with good work, is just a fast start on a lifetime pattern of self-defeating behavior. If your next jobs, or the next level of your educations, actually involve easier work, Notre Dame has failed you.

I’m not sure it’s the handwriting on the wall, but for a glimpse of a possible better campus life for a “new Notre Dame,” check the following:


Ed Manier
professor of philosophy
March 25, 2002

Opportunistic Federalist Society ignores Catholic social justice

In her March 21 column, Christine Niles related the purported “highlight” of the latest unholy conclave of the Federalist Society. Contrary to her claims, Gary Lawrence’s innuendo seems quite credible evidence that discussions were neither witty nor respectful. Questions of taste aside, this Federalist Society ignores Catholic social justice.

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Now we’re getting to the practical way that this system works. While I don’t wish to impugn her personally, Niles is no doubt aware that her organization isn’t exactly hurting her career prospects. And for those less less disinterested and less scrupulous lawyers out there, the Federalist rolodex is the fast lane of careerism. It just so happens that this “philosophy” inordinately benefits those with the most money (and least interest in real democracy) in America today. Unfortunately, judging by the growth of the Society, the many inconsistencies within its platform seem less compelling than the convenience of the meal-ticket dimension. Just so long as selling your soul and selling out your country (not any lawyers, of course) aren’t big problems, it must be a tempting choice.

Who should care? At least those of us who think that America should allow its judges to practice Catholicism, perhaps. Incredibly, Scalia (a nominal Catholic) has proffered a trans-Atlantic revisiting of the Test Acts (by which Britain once excluded Catholics from holding political office, etc.). He recently suggested publicly that Catholic judges who follow Church teaching on the death penalty aren’t fit to practice “any Catholic jurist (with such concerns)... would have to resign.”

Not surprisingly, he hasn’t spent much time denouncing pro-life judges despite their comparable conservatism, in agreeing with Scalia they seem to meet the true test of the “law.” How long before the 39 Articles of the Federalist Society become a prerequisite for sitting on any American bench?

In the same moment, this confident justice moved beyond his usual, bizarre interpretations of the U.S. Constitution to mediate God’s will to the Church. After “serious thought,” claims Scalia, “No authority that I know of denies the 2,000-year-old tradition of the Church approving capital punishment... I don’t see why there’s been a change.” Of course, Scalia neglects several traditions within the Catholic Church over the last 2,000 years that have spoken against the death penalty. But this is a rather typical instance of the sloppy “historical” practice that rationalizes his Federalist ideology — the mantra better known as “the framers’ intent.”

Similarly, there is less interest in the discovery of intent than in mining for selective “evidence” to support preconceived positions that coincidentally benefit society’s most fortunate. This “reinterpretation” frequently comes at the expense, for one, of Catholic principles of social justice such as the preferential option for the poor. In so many ways, enough never seems to be enough for some people. Despite Niles’s reassurances, we should all be concerned.

Tim Campbell
class of ‘00
March 24, 2002
Bon appetit in the Bend ~ The Vine offers fine foods at a fine price

By AMANDA GRECO
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Opened in November of 1998, The Vine is an attempt at mimicking swank wineries such as Webster’s in Chicago. The attempt is rather successful.

Roasting a wine list larger than its dinner menu, a bar, a cigar lounge and an outside patio, The Vine appeals to anyone looking for a high class dining experience within a reasonable budget.

The average cost for an appetizer is approximately $6, entrees range from $6.50 for the gourmet salads to $12.50 for the creamy Cajun shrimp pasta and wine averages $5.50 a glass or $20 for a bottle. The sheer length of the wine menu can be rather daunting for those accustomed to drinking their wine from boxes. Servers are very knowledgeable for guests seeking recommendations regarding the wines available.

The Vine encourages customers to have a free-taste of wines before selecting a glass or bottle to accompany a meal. Flights of wine are available for purchase, providing an aesthetic display of several wines within a given type: white or red, dry or sweet, etc. The wine menu at The Vine is frequently added to and updated.

Next to the extensive wine menu, the appetizers offer perhaps the most varied selection, and none are disappointing.

The simplest appetizer, the cheese flight, is ideally accompanied by a glass of wine. The cheese flight offers an assortment of fresh cheeses and crackers with grapes.

The baked Brie appetizer brings cheese one step closer to gourmet. In the center of a baked pastry lies the Brie, melted for spreading on the small, delicate loaf of white bread served alongside. Also on the appetizer menu are a variety of equally delicious dips: crab served with garlic bread, spinach with focaccia bread triangles and artichoke, also served with focaccia bread. The dips are all fresh and creamy, with no large chunks of meat or vegetable to wrestle onto the bread. The crab dip reigns high as the restaurant's most popular appetizer.

Any of the appetizers would be well suited by a light, sweet white wine, such as the Menage a trois. If red wine is preferred, try the Bogel zinfandel, which has a deep, earthy aftertaste.

The dinner menu offers entrees in several categories: pasta, specialty pizzas, gourmet salads and sandwiches. A side soup and/or salad may be ordered at an additional price. While the menu categories may be basic, the portions are large and the entrees are each a detailed combination of flavors and ingredients.

Various preparations for the pasta include the bowtie pasta, which comes served in a white wine sauce, garnished with sun-dried tomatoes, tomato basil chicken breast and asargo and parmesan cheeses.

Also appearing on the list of pastas is the large mushroom. This isn't Chef Boyardee ravioli, however. Each pasta is filled with portabella mushrooms, served in an alfredo sauce with green onions and sliced mushrooms. The creamy Cajun shrimp is available served over a choice of pastas. The jumbo shrimp are sautéed in The Vine's special Cajun butter with mushrooms, red and yellow peppers, and are then served with a splash of cream and parmesan cheese.

The Vine's pizzas are each a masterpiece of sorts. Pizzas offered range from the traditional Italian favorities, La Margherita, to a Meatza Peatza, stacked high with ham, pepperoni and Italian sausage, to a few newer creations from The Vine's kitchen. The Tuscany pizza features a creamy alfredo sauce on a garlic butter crust, topped with fresh spinach, sliced mushrooms, spices and two cheeses.

For those seeking a lighter fare, try one of the six gourmet salads. But beware — these salads are large meals! Most salads are available with or without an accompanying meat, either chicken, shrimp or bacon. The dressings for each salad are "homemade" at the restaurant, along with the freshly baked croutons. Each salad is served with fresh garlic bread.

The last stop on the food menu is the sandwich section, where diners can select a sandwich made to order. In the vegetarian arena, the portabellas mushroom sandwich offers a filling alternative to meat alternatives. The large mushroom is baked and served on focaccia bread with cheese and an olive oil/oonion relish topping. Other sandwiches include the grilled chicken breast served on French bread, the turkey breast served with asparagus, bacon and cheddar and the roast beef and cheddar croissant.

While guests with a sweet tooth generally venture next door to the South Bend Chocolate Factory for dessert, The Vine does offer several cheesecakes and coffee to finish your meal.

The Vine is a cozy, small restaurant that offers good food and a great atmosphere for its guests. The staff is courteous and knowledgeable, and their lack of a uniform adds to the comfort of the dining experience. The Vine is a successful recreation of a big city feel, tucked away in downtown South Bend.

The Vine is located at 122 S. Michigan St. Call The Vine at 224-WINE for reservations (though not required) and carryout, or to find out about wine tasting events and prize giveaways.

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The wet eyes of both senior sabre captains knew they blew a golden opportunity to win the national title in their final meet.

At the NCAA Fencing Championships this weekend, Notre Dame finished third with 186 points. Penn State won their sixth title in seven years, finishing with 195 points. Defending champion St. John's took second with 192.

"The team had the talent to win it this year, but talent is not everything. 90 percent of it is work," said junior foil captain Ozren Debic. "I don't think we prepared well for it."

After the women's competition was completed Friday, the Irish stood in second with 97 points. The Red Storm was in first with 110 and the Nittany Lions were three behind the Irish with 94.

"The girls did really well. Before this, everyone was like 'If the girls do well we're set,'" said freshman Derek Snyder. "So I think (Saturday) we were a little kind of cocky. We dropped a lot of bouts we shouldn't have. If we had fought harder, we definitely would have won. We have a better team than most of the people here. We definitely had a shot."

The confidence quickly left the Notre Dame after the second round of Saturday's competition. In men's foil and sabre, the Irish went a combined 1-7, giving the Nittany Lions 12 points, a lead they would not relinquish the rest of the weekend.

"I kind of hoped that we were going to fence them later," said Snyder. "It was tough. It was intense. We had the whole Penn State team there cheering. Notre Dame was there as well. I don't think Oz (Debic) and I fenced nearly as well as we could have."

Combining its poor performance against Penn State with other subpar records in the other rounds, Notre Dame fell to third place with 148 points. Penn State was in first with 152.

However, the team felt it could make up that difference with a better showing on Sunday. At a team meeting Saturday night, Debic thought Aurillo killed any hopes of a comeback.

"He basically told us that we're not going to win and that we screwed up the first day," Debic said.

"I think that had a huge impact on our team. We didn't fence well the first day, but we were still down by seven bouts. We could of pulled it off. He really killed our momentum."

In the first two rounds on Sunday, the Irish continued their inconsistent performance from win on Saturday and combined with senior captain Andre Crompton to give the Irish 27 points in men's foil.

Sophomore Kerry Walton won the women's epee title in her first NCAA Championships. She defeated defending champion Emsse Takacs 15-12 in the semifinal and Penn State's Stephanie Elm 15-12 to claim the title. Debic finished fourth in men's foil to give the Irish four first-team All-Americans, the most in Irish history.

Since women's sabre was added in 2000, Notre Dame's point total of 186 would have won the competition in 2000 or 2001. Last year, the Irish finished third with 153 points.

Next year, St. John's, who only qualified 11 of the maximum 12 fencers this year, and Penn State look to improve further and push the point totals higher. The Irish need to make many improvements if they hope to contend for the national title.

"We need to get a lot, more than we're going to get," said junior epee captain Jan Viviani.

"When you look at some of the other teams we are going up against they have pretty amazing guys. All the guys on [Penn State] are practically from other countries, national teams. There's Olympians on other teams."

"We're gonna have to do some work."

Notre Dame returns 10 of its 12 qualifiers next year. The Irish only lose two sabre fencers Crompton and McCullough.

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Walton one-ups her family with epee win

By MATT LOZAR  Spokes Writer

MADISON, N.J. Irish sophomore Kerry Walton, right, lunges toward Penn State's Stephanie Eim during the 2002 women's epee championship Friday. Walton won the bout 15-12.

Irish head coach Yves Auriol (right) argues with Penn State head coach Emmanuil Kaidanov about the clock during the women's epee championship bout Friday. There's a championship miss—perhaps a coaching résumé. A dark spot on an otherwise shining career.

Auriol remains the same to the end

I t's just another tournament. It's important for the team and everything. It's just another step.

In team competition, Kerry finished third with an 18-5 record. Her most dramatic victory came against Ariene Stevens of St. John's, when Kerry scored the winning touch with four seconds remaining in overtime.

Kerry's semifinal match was against Emese Tackas of St. John's, the defending women's epee champion. With the score 9-8, Kerry won four straight points to take control of the match. She defeated Tackas 15-12 and moved to the final.

In the final, Kerry found Stephanie Eim of Penn State, who finished pool play with a perfect 23-0 record. However, Kerry came ready to win the title.

Kerry led by two after the first and second periods. In the third, Kerry never let Eim pull even and she won the title 15-12. Kerry was very satisfied with her victory over Eim.

"I didn't fence her in a while. I lost to her earlier actually, 5-4 in the pool," Kerry said. "So I was a little nervous. She is probably the best fencer here in my opinion and she always does excellent in all the tournaments she's entered."

"I was a little nervous coming in but I had some good advice from [head coach] Yves [Auriol] and [assistant coach] Janine [Bednarz] as well."

Even though he is in Europe studying architecture, Forest sent his team some support in their quest for the national title. He e-mailed the whole team," said Kerry. "He said he's so sorry he can't be there for [us]. Kick butt for me."
**Untouchable**

Kryczalo adjusts to life in America, dominates on the fencing strip

By MIKE CONNOLLY
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MADISON, N.J.

In the dining hall after fencing practice this fall, freshman Alicja Kryczalo felt out of place. The Polish fencer who had never spent a significant amount of time in the United States before August was lost amid the quick tongues and slang that characterize a college dinner conversation.

"After practice when we went to dinner, I didn't understand anything. I was sitting and felt so out of place. The language barrier," Kryczalo said. "Sometimes even now, I don't understand what people are talking about."

But as lost as she felt in American culture, she was right at home on the fencing strip as she finished her freshman year with an undefeated NCAA championship and the individual foil title.

"I was sure I could do it, but I knew that it was very hard to do it," Kryczalo said. "I can't say I'm surprised, but I'm really glad because it wasn't easy."

Kryczalo said her championship wasn't easy, but out on the strip, she made it look easy. She never had a bout closer than 5-3 and was never in the lead at any point. Her opponents only landed 15 touches — less than one per bout.

"It was a miracle," men's foil assistant coach Janusz Bednarski said about Kryczalo's performance. "I don't think that will ever happen again.

Kryczalo's undefeated streak included two wins that averaged her only losses of the season — St. John's and the defending NCAA champion, Notre Dame.

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Although four Notre Dame fencers earned first-team All-American honors, the most in Irish history, it wasn’t enough to bring home a team title. Eleven Irish fencers earned All-American honors — either first, second or third team — also an Irish record but it still was not good enough to top either champion Penn State or runner-up St. John’s. All three teams surpassed the previous high-point totals for six weapons at this year’s championship. Several Notre Dame fencers said the 2002 Irish team was the best in years — they were right. But the bar was set a little higher this year and the Irish couldn’t measure up.

INDIVIDUAL TRIUMPHS NOT ENOUGH

Senior sabre captain Andre Crompton lunges for an attack against Richard Frank of Drew University on Saturday. Crompton lost the bout 5-4 but won 18 bouts overall to finish fifth and earn second team All-American honors.

Carl McCullough celebrates one of her 12 victories Friday. In her third NCAA, the senior earned her first All-American honors by finishing 12th and making the third team.

Irish freshman Andrea Ament celebrates her 5-2 win against St. John’s freshman Irina Khouade. The victory avenged a regular season defeat to Khouade. Ament lost only one bout in the round-robin tournament to teammate Alicja Kryczalo. In the Final Four fence-off, Ament again defeated Khoede in the semifinals 15-13 before losing to Kryczalo in the finals.
LaSalle Grill falls short of high expectations

By AMANDA GRECO
Associate Scene Editor

To review a restaurant that has won as many awards as LaSalle Grill has is nearly superfluous; but someone needs to keep the restaurant on its culinary toes.

For the past 11 years, LaSalle Grill has been pleasing South Bend’s fine dining connoisseurs and consistently winning recognition in various publications as the best restaurant in all of Indiana.

From the moment a guest enters the restaurant, the dining room’s atmosphere is apparent and pleasant. Lining the walls are works by various artists, both locally and nationally acclaimed. The kitchen is open to the restaurant, allowing guests the opportunity to watch each process in the preparation of their meal. The table is set with fresh silverware at each course of the meal. The restaurant’s staff is courteous without snobbery, an attitude almost expected in so heralded an establishment.

Expect to pay a little more for your meal at LaSalle Grill. The average price of appetizers is $8.50, salads average $4.50, entrees generally run around $22 and desserts are $5.50. Expect also to spend a long time enjoying your meal. Servers take a bit of time asking for orders and delivering food; a dinner for two on a Friday night, complete with dessert and coffee, can last at least three hours.

First-time diners will be served a special slice of LaSalle’s elegant menu, such as lobster bisque with mac-carpote and chives, compliments of the chef. A basket of warm breads and dipping oil is also brought to the table.

The featured menu at LaSalle Grill changes frequently; the menu at a given meal will be dated for that visit. Menu items include first courses (appetizers), salads, soup, main courses and hardwood grilled steaks.

First courses served represent an eclectic mix of ethnic dining. Choose from gazpachau and Portobello mushroom gratin, spanakopita, crab and prosciutto free form lasagne, woodland mushroom and chicken liver pate, escargot and ahi sushi rolls.

The sushi rolls, served with a strong soy sauce and vinegar flavor generally noted in sticky rice, they are served with fresh lemon juice; however, the salty zing of lemon that brings out the flavor in escargot is nearly undetectable.

LaSalle Grill features five different salads as a prelude to the main course. The Caesar salad is topped with shaved grana padano cheese, but the dressing served on the romaine is scant. The dressing served on the romaine is scant. The vinegar taste expected in a vinagrette is minimal, however. Other salads served include the classic wedge, served with creamy bacon and blue cheese dressing, a baby spinach and radicchio salad with a mignonette vinaigrette and the pickled beets and frisee salad served with coconut cheese.

Several interesting soups are available on the menu, including a caramelized onion and sweet pepper stew with chopped scallion and a Peruvian lime bean and pancetta potato chowder served with cheddar cheese croutons. The soups are a strong complement to the main course entrees.

Main courses offered feature a variety of meats, including pork tenderloin, rack of lamb, chicken, duckling and several varieties of fish, such as salmon, walladied pike, tilapia and sea bass.

The salmon is served lightly broiled, accompanied by a small serving of calico rice pilaf and a sweet side of dried papaya and currant chutney. The meat is tender, juicy and flakes nicely, and the papaya and chutney complement the fish very well. Green beans are also served, tender and fresh with a light buttering and a salty seasoning.

Finally, LaSalle Grill features a large dessert and after-dinner drink menu, complete with homemade ice cream, a cheese course, various cakes and an assortment of coffees and cappuccinos, served with or without alcohol.

When in doubt while ordering at LaSalle, it is recommended that servers be asked for suggestions. The wait staff knows the menu better than most, and can direct a guest towards a meal complete through all courses, accompanied by the proper beverages and topped off with the most appropriate desserts.

LaSalle Grill continues to provide an enjoyable dining experience with a menu challenging to undertake and adventurous in its scope. It is advised, however, that the restaurant not rest on the laurels of its past success and persist in attempting to deliver the finest dining experience in South Bend.

LaSalle Grill is located at 115 W. Colfax in downtown South Bend. The restaurant also has a banquet hall on the second floor and a club on the third floor that features live performers throughout the week. The restaurant is open for dinner Monday through Thursday, 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. and on Friday and Saturday from 5 p.m. to 11 p.m. Call 288-1155 for more information, or visit the restaurant’s Web site at www.LaSalleGrill.com.

By AMANDA GRECO
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LaSalle Grill provides a pleasant atmosphere in which to dine. Some of the art showcased within the restaurant comes from area artists.

The kitchen in the LaSalle Grill is open, allowing dining room guests to view the entire meal preparation process. The LaSalle Grill has a variety of certified chefs on staff.

The hardwood grilled filet mignon is a tender cut of beef; having never been frozen, the meat’s texture and flavor is well-preserved. Served on a bed of new potatoes LaSalle with tobacco onions and a Jim beam bourbon-pecan butter, this entree brings together a myriad of flavors, topped with the smoky overtones from the fire.

The much-hailed kitchen at LaSalle Grill with its certified chefs is not infallible; steaks are not always served as ordered. For the high price paid (each steak on the menu is over $25) guests are advised to send improper orders back. While waiting for an order to be prepared again, guests will be provided a complimentary bowl of soup to occupy them while others at the table continue to eat. It is with much regret and profuse apologies that the chef personally brings the now-free order back to the table. No one can accuse LaSalle Grill of having a poor sense of customer service.

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The band No Redeeming Qualities (NRQ) played a spirited set featuring classical, hard rock sounds and high energy.

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Evolving from the late '70's on-campus music scene, Notre Dame's battle of the bands, or "NAZZ," gives student groups the chance to showcase their talent amongst peers and fellow music lovers.

Every year, the Student Union Board-sponsored event promises a good show for the students, and this year was no exception.

On Friday, the 14th annual NAZZ competition took the Alumni-Senior Club by storm.

Thirteen bands and six solo acts were included in this year's battle, while celebrity host Jason Mewes or "Jay" ("Malstrats," "Clerks," "Dogma" and "Jay and Silent Bob Strike Back") directed traffic and introduced each band.

Performing fun as people in the packed crowd, band members and Notre Dame's party scene, Jay's humor gave the night a relaxed feeling.

At 8 p.m., the first band, Updog, took the stage. Performing unique renditions of Alice DJ's "Better Off Alone" and the Cure's "Boys Don't Cry," the apologetic band closed with an insane medley of pop covers.

With hits like "Bootylicious," "I am #1," "World's Greatest" and finally 'N Sync's "Pop," Updog was a definite crowd pleaser.

Different Folk was next on the line up. The quartet of skilled musicians, with obvious influences from the Grateful Dead and Phish, filled their extended jams with hard and soft interludes. A funky beat and a smooth, jazzy sound best describe this band, which was quick to get the crowd moving.

The band Again, an emo band with heavy guitar riffs and powerful vocals, led the way for Station One with their explosive mix of reggae, ska and funk. Consisting of Peter Miller on drums, David Miller on guitars, Mike Maimone on keys, Zee Eley on bass and Lawrence Santiago with lead vocals, the group opened the set with Sublime's "5-4-46."

With amazing range and freestyling skills, Santiago sang over the funk-laced beats created by the band. Singing their three originals, "Everybody Get Down," "Breaker-Breaker," and "Goodwin," and closing with a great version of Sublime's "Santeria," it was clear it would take a lot to defeat this band.

Clark gave the most energetic performance of the evening. Bassist Pat Bayliss and guitarist Mike Beaton jumped and leaped around the stage while merging heavy basslines and wailing guitar riffs. Drummer Ryan Partridge provided a hammering beat as Bayliss and Beaton shared screaming vocals.

The powerful performance from Clark gave way to the Joneses with a laid back vibe of more classical pop rock. Mostly performing covers like John Maye's "My Stupid Mouth," The Doobie Brothers' "Long Train Runnin'" and Denver's "Country Roads," the group gave a solid showing.

The Skammunists, last year's winners, took the stage next. An unusual line up that combines a sax, trumpets, trombone, drums, guitar and bass, the Skammunists are true masters of their genre. With a volatile version of Catch 22's "12341234," the crowd was so involved that a mosh pit formed and a lone crowd surfer was elevated.

Broken up by security, the event was threatened as the microphones were taken away. After a short delay, the band concluded their set and NAZZ continued.

Other acts included Lester's pop rock and punk, No Redeeming Qualities (NRQ) spirited showing of more classical, hard rock and The Alpha Bet's vocal harmonies and hand clapping.

NIHM won second place at this year's NAZZ battle of the bands. With an upbeat performance, NIHM received a good crowd reaction.

The powerful performance of the Beatles' "Hard Day's Night." NIHM took the stage around midnight and the talented guitarist Neil Carmichael led the group through a bluesy jam of Steppenwolf's "Magic Carpet Ride" and Phish's "Slave to the Traffic Light." With a clear electric sound and a great vocal jam, NIHM (as in "the rats of") finished on a high note.

Like The Skammunists, Wild Bill's Bluegrass Brigade brought some untraditional college music to NAZZ. A bluegrass quintet with a guitar, banjo, bass, mandolin and fiddle, WBBB's

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Actor Jason Mewes, from "Dogma" and "Jay and Silent Bob Strike Back," hosted this year's NAZZ and infused the evening with comedy.
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Senior stars led the way, strug­
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**Men's Tennis**

No. 7 Irish Overcome Losses, Top Hoosiers

By Joe Lindsey

Sports Writer

Despite losses by its top singles player and doubles team, the seventh-ranked Notre Dame men's tennis team decisively held off Indiana 6-1 at Bloomington on Saturday afternoon.

The match started off with seniors Javier Taborga and Casey Smith, ranked fifth nationally in doubles, losing to Indiana's Zach Held and Ryan Recht by a score of 8-3. Fortunately for the Irish, they were able to quell the momentum the Hoosiers gained by that upset victory and Notre Dame secured the doubles point before going on to win five of six singles matches.

After Taborga and Smith lost, senior Aaran Talarico and freshman Brent D'Amico gave the Irish their first victory of the day, as they defeated the Hoosier duo of Milan Rakvica and Ari Widlansky, 9-7. Then, seniors James Malhame and Ashok Raju clinched the doubles point as they won 9-7.

"Doubles was going to dictate what was going to happen in the match," Taborga said. "And it did." Indiana was winning and we thought we were going to lose the doubles point. Then we came from behind and won it, so we kind of broke their spirit," he added, referring to the victories of Talarico-D'Amica and Malhame-Raju.

"Doubles gives us a lot of momentum," Taborga said. "If you win the doubles point, you know that you only have to win three singles now, instead of four, and that's a big advantage." The other duo had to deal with a big mental burden after Smith and Taborga's loss.

"It's always a little disheartening when your best duo loses [to a non-ranked team]," said Talarico, who said having Taborga and Smith lose was a little nerve-wracking. He credited the team's mental tenacity with its ability to not let that initial loss prevent them from winning more matches.

"I was pleased more with the mental performance. Pretty much we had to win, and we did," said Talarico, who also defeated Zach Held in singles, 6-4, 1-6, 6-2. "The doubles point is only one out of seven, but it's probably the most important. It is usually the deciding point in a lot of matches.

Taborga and Smith have not been pleased with their doubles play lately.

"I thought that they came out a little bit stronger than we thought they would [but] we really played bad doubles," Taborga said. "[Casey and I] are not doing things right. It's been the third match we've played like that.

"We have to work hard on [our play] this coming week so we are strong for Kentucky and SMU who are the top doubles teams.

One of the duo's weaknesses, Smith believes, is the trouble they are coming from behind.

"I think that's a problem Javier and I have had over the last five or so matches. Whenever we get a lead, we play really well, but it's really tough to play catch up," Smith said. "That's something [Irish coach Bob Baylis] talked to us about. We need to come out and assert ourselves right off of the first point.

"[Held and Recht] are a good team, but we've played teams that are ten times better. We are really not converting our opportunities. We are not finding ways of winning the close games and that's what's costing us right now," said Taborga, who also gave up Notre Dame's only singles loss when he was upset by Rakvica, ranked 109th nationally, in straight sets, 6-4, 6-4. Taborga is currently ranked 11th, and this loss ended his 11-match singles winning streak.

"I think we dominated in every court [of singles] except for my match. It wasn't a good day for me. I wasn't playing that well," he said. "In the past I found ways of winning, but this time I just didn't have the chances. I just couldn't turn the match around, but I'm confident that this is going to help me realize that I still have a lot of weaknesses." Taborga's doubles partner fared well in singles though.

Smith upset No. 63 Jakub Prahlis, 6-4, 6-2, breaking Prahlis' nine-match winning streak as well as achieving his fifth win over a ranked opponent this spring.

"That was probably the best two sets I've played this year," Smith said. "I've struggled a little bit being aggressive. I don't know if it's expected that I place on myself or what. That was the first time that for two straight sets I was really aggressive."

In other singles play, Matt Scott, ranked 64th nationally and playing at No. 5, defeated Ryan Recht by scores of 6-3, 6-4, improving to 26-3 for the season. Lain Haddock-Morales improved to 14-4 as he defeated Tommy Baghato 6-2, 5-7, 6-4. Andrew Laffin, who has now won 29 of his last 32 matches, handed a loss to Ari Widlansky, 7-6, 6-1.

Taborga believes that although Indiana was not ranked, this match was a tougher situation than playing a ranked opponent.

"These are the kind of matches that you have to get up for. It's really easy to play Illinois or Duke or those matches where they are ranked high and you can gain a lot from winning," he said.

"Indiana is ranked no. 10, really doesn't have that much to offer us as far as the ranking goes. It's hard because you are in a situation where you can only lose. For the team to get [pumped up], it's harder than normal."

Notre Dame will play No. 40 Michigan at Ann Arbor on Wednesday.
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the second half, waiting patiently for the prime scoring chance. Notre Dame made some key defensive adjustments at halftime and came back on the field much more aggressive. Irish freshmen defenders Guadran Guarna-Dottori and Candace Chapman kept the speedy Dominguez away from the ball in the second half.

"I was really happy with the way our defense played in the second half," said Irish coach Randy Waldrum. "Our defenders did a great job of keeping two-world class forwards away from the ball. You won't find two forwards as fast as Dominguez and Mora in the college game."

The Irish defenders held off an offensive onslaught from the Mexicans in the final 20 minutes of the game. Mexico's best scoring chance in the second half came in the final minute of the game when Mexico's Iris Mora missed a one-on-one opportunity against Irish sophomore goalie Lauren Kent. Kent forced Mora to alter her shot and preserved the victory for Notre Dame.

"I'm really pleased with the way we played tonight," Waldrum said. "Our young defenders played great tonight and our offense really passed the ball well tonight. What we hope to gain from these spring games is to gain some valuable experience heading into next season. It was a great opportunity for us tonight to play against the Mexican National Team."

Mexican National Coach Leonardo Cuellar was extremely impressed with the Irish. "They are a very good team. They had the best opportunities to score," said Cuellar. "It was a very physical game."

It will help both programs in the future.

Friday night's game marked the first of seven spring exhibition games for the Irish. Notre Dame will next travel to Evanston, Ill. on April 14, Notre Dame will travel to Lincoln, Neb. to take on Nebraska and Southern California.

The Irish will then host two games on April 20 against Evansville and Illinois. Notre Dame will finish out the exhibition season the following Saturday with a home match against Missouri.

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singles wins with a victory against Madura, 6-3, 6-0.

Following the win, the Belles are looking ahead to another successful MIAA season.

"It was our first conference match of the season, and obviously there's a little bit of pressure being conference champions, so we want to continue to do well," Annie Knish said. "Allison is one of the stronger teams in our conference, and we had to go in and give it our all."

Spriggle said, "It was a great way, especially the score being as it is. It helps our confidence as we move forward in the season."

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MEN'S LACROSSE

Irish drop to 1-5 after 15-5 loss to Hofstra

By JOE LICANDRO
Sports Writer

Saturday was not a day to remember for the Notre Dame men's lacrosse team. The Irish suffered their worst defeat of the season — a 15-5 romp at the hands of visiting No. 12 Hofstra.

After losing their previous two games to No. 3 Loyola and No. 4 Virginia by only one goal in each contest, the Irish never had a chance against the Pride. Hofstra held the ball for nearly the entire game, while Notre Dame's offense failed to create prime scoring opportunities. Behind a balanced scoring attack in which six players scored at least two goals, the aggressive Hofstra offense confused the Irish defense throughout the contest.

"We showed a lot of hustle out there today," said Hofstra coach John Danowski. "Our goal is to be unselfish on offense. Everyone on our team needs to be a threat on offense for us to be successful.

Hofstra jumped out to a quick 1-0 lead only 35 seconds into the game on a goal by Scott Dooley, who led the Pride with three goals and one assist.

Notre Dame tied the game early at 1-1 on a goal by freshman Chris Richez, but then the Pride took over the game for good. Hofstra scored five unanswered goals to take a commanding 6-1 lead midway through the second quarter. Notre Dame sophomore attackman Dan Berger finally responded with his team-leading eleventh goal of the season.

Both the Pride and the Irish would each tack on two more goals by the end of the first half, making the score 8-4 in favor of Hofstra heading into halftime.

The third quarter was a defensive battle. Scott Dooley scored the lone goal of the quarter for the Pride just past the nine-minute mark.

The fourth quarter was a nightmare for the Irish. The Pride offense completely dominated the final stanza, scoring six straight goals to take a 15-4 lead.

"We've underachieved up until this point," said Danowski. "We showed a lot of hustle out there today. We seemed to scoup up all the loose balls and that made the difference.

Notre Dame's senior captain Devin Ryan added a late goal with 31 seconds remaining for his ninth goal of the season. Fellow senior John Flandina had two assists in the contest for his team-leading eight assists on the season.

With the win, Hofstra improved its season record to 4-3. The loss dropped Notre Dame's record to 1-5. This marks Notre Dame's first three-game losing streak since 1999.

The Irish can take solace in the fact that their losing record will not prevent them from qualifying for the NCAA Tournament. Their record within the Great Western Lacrosse League will determine their postseason chances.

Notre Dame begins league play on Saturday when they visit the University of Denver. That game will mark the first of four straight road games for the Irish. They do not return home again until April 21, when they take on Fairfield.

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Heather Mattingly, shown during the Big East Championships, earned All-America honors with an eighth-place NCAA finish.

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Austin, Auburn defeated defending champion Georgia for the NCAA crown with 474 points.

While tallying an undefeated record during the dual-meet season and adding the sixth Big East title to its list of achievements in February, the Notre Dame squad spent much of the season aiming for a top-10 finish at the national meet.

But failing to qualify the top freestyle relays for the meet handicapped that goal.

"Going in, it's going to be pretty hard to be in the top without having that freestyle relay qualify," Weathers said. "The reality of the thing was that it was a super-fast meet. By far, it's the fastest NCAAs in the history of college athletics."

Two Irish athletes came out of the meet with individual All-America honors. Senior diver Heather Mattingly became the first Notre Dame diver to earn All-America honors in diving with an eighth-place finish on the 3-meter board Saturday. Mattingly finished the event with 517.90 total points.

Senior sprinter Carrie Nixon wrapped up her swimming career with an All-America finish in the 50-yard freestyle (22.53 seconds) Thursday. Nixon's 100-yard freestyle Friday in 49.47 earned her a 10th-place finish and honorable mention All-America status.

Senior backstroker Kelly Hecking, competing in her fourth national meet, earned the highest finish of her NCAA career in the 200-yard backstroke. Hecking placed 12th in the event, finishing in 1:57.90 and breaking the Notre Dame school record in the process. Hecking also finished 28th in the 100-yard backstroke (55.93).

Sophomore butterflyer Lisa Garcia broke the Notre Dame school record in the 200-yard butterfly, finishing in 1:59.28 and 17th overall in the event in her first NCAA Championships.

Also competing in their first NCAA Championships, freshmen Kristen Peterson and Kelli Barton added strong performances for the Irish. Peterson finished 41st in the 100-yard backstroke in 57.19, and 37th in the 200-yard backstroke in 2:02.34. Barton earned a 29th-place finish in the 1,650-yard freestyle in 16:48.91, and 56th in the 500-yard freestyle in 4:59.61.

Sophomore Marie Labosky was 25th in the 400-yard individual medley, after an 11th-place finish in 2001. Senior Allison Lloyd was 41st in the 100-yard breaststroke in 1:05.05.

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The Notre Dame track and field team wanted to make this weekend in setting the bar high for itself to begin its outdoor season.

With most of the team resting in South Bend, 18 short-distance and field event members of the Irish team traveled to the Baldy Castillo Invitational in Tempe, Ariz., and set 20 Big East qualifying times and several NCAA provisional times.

Senior Derek Dyer set the tone for the weekend, throwing a personal best 53 ft, 11 inches in the shot put en route to a fifth-place finish. Dyer, who holds the Notre Dame school record in the shot put, also took sixth place in the discuss with a throw of 156 feet, 10 inches.

Joining Dyer with impressive showings in the field events were Tom Gilbert and Mike Madigan. Both Gilbert and Madigan qualified for the Big East Outdoor Championships, with Gilbert jumping 7.09 meters in the long jump (sixth place), and Madigan throwing the javelin 56.25 meters (12th place).

In the field events for the women, the Irish were represented by pole vaulters Jamie Volmeyer and Jull Van Weelden. Both women tested their skill with vaults of 10-11. Volmeyer also took third in the triple jump with a jump of 39-2. Of Notre Dame’s 14 top-five finishes, four were attained by the Irish hurdle contingent, led this weekend by freshmen Selim Nurudeen and Tiffany Gunn. Nurudeen took fourth in the 110-meter hurdles, while Gunn finished eighth in the 100 hurdles and fifth in the 200-meter hurdles.

Junior Tameisha King, who competed in the long jump at the NCAA Indoor Championships two weekends ago, joined Gunn in the 100 hurdles, taking third with a time of 14.15 seconds.

"We did really well," King said. "Selim ran a great time. Tiffany, after a day before running the 400 hurdles, was able to pull out a good time in the 100 hurdles. I was sick this weekend, so to run 14.1 (seconds) was pretty good. I used this race to familiarize myself with the 100 hurdles again."

Also having an impressive weekend were the core of the Irish women’s sprinting corps. Three of the four girls who make up the nationally-ranked mile relay team of Liz Grow, Kymia Love, Ayesha Boyd and Kristin Dodd took four top-five finishes in five races.

Leading the way was Boyd, who took third in the 100-meter dash in 11.76 seconds and second in the 200-meter in 24.45. Boyd, who ran the 200 at nationals two weeks ago, set a 100-meter personal best on an outdoor track with her effort this weekend.

Dodd took fourth place in the 200 meters with a time of 24.45, and All-American Liz Grow took second in the 400 with a time of 53.61. The four women are coming off a ninth-place finish at the NCAA Indoor Championships, and Boyd thinks a strong showing at this weekend’s invite provides a good boost for them to start the outdoor season.

"The whole purpose of this past weekend was to see where we were as far as training and what we need to work on," Boyd said. "And from this past meet, I think everyone did pretty well, and now we know our strengths and weaknesses, and so we know what we need to work on."

Love did not compete this weekend because of last-minute sickness, but she expects to race next week at the Florida Relays.

Completing the Irish squad this weekend were Pat Conway, Kevin Somok and Eric Morrison, who were the only distance runners to travel to Arizona. All three runners only competed in the 1500-meter run, where senior Conway led the way with a fifth-place time of 3:53.11. Somok was seventh in 3:51.90 and Morrison finished 16th in 3:56.39.

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**WOMEN’S SWIMMING AND DIVING**

**Mattingly, Nixon earn All-America honors**

Irish finish 19th at fastest women’s championship meet ever

By NOREEN GILLESPIE  
Sports Writer

In a meet in which 11 American records fell, the Irish women’s swimming and diving team managed a 19th-place finish at the NCAA Division I Swimming and Diving Championships this weekend.

The National Championship meet, which posted more record-breaking performances than the 2000 Olympic Trials, was the fastest NCAA women’s swimming meet in history.

"I don’t think anybody could have predicted that," said Irish head coach Bailey Weathers. "Olympic Trials only come around once every four years, and I don’t think we’ve had as many records fall in the last two Olympic Trials. It’s pretty unusual just how fast that meet was."  

The Irish qualified eight swimmers and one diver for the meet, held at the University of Texas.

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**WOMEN’S TENNIS**

**Belles start title defense with victory**

By KATIE MAVOY  
Assistant Sports Editor

The Belles let everyone know that they were not going to easily give up last season’s MIAA title as they kicked off the conference season this weekend with a strong victory against the Albion Britons.

Saint Mary’s, who took a 7-2 victory, fought for every point in the match but made sure those fights left them on top.

"The Britons are just competitive players, and they’re pretty consistent," said senior Annie Knish. "They all have pretty strong inside strokes," said sophomore Kris Spriggle. "We had to be the more consistent player and the more patient player.

Spriggle took home wins in both of her matches, posting a 6-4, 7-5 win against Emily Dumas in No. 4 and 6-4, 6-3 victory against Emily Radner and Corey Madura with partner Angie Sandner at No. 3 doubles.

"My singles match was pretty difficult," Spriggle said. "They had a lot of hard strokes. I had to step up my game and try to make a break.

Knish dropped both of her matches in close sets against Albion’s Aimee Greene. Greene forced a close first match in No. 1 singles, defeating Knish in the tiebreaker before taking the second set 6-2 to post the win. Knish paired with younger sister Jeannie to face Greene and Karen Dumas in No. 1 doubles and suffered the same fate. After taking the second set 6-4 to tie the match at one win apiece, the Knishes fell 6-2 in the third set, for a two-sets-to-one loss.

"Greene’s a senior and she was a good player," Annie Knish said. "She moved me all around the court. I lost the first set in a tie-breaker.

The rest of the Saint Mary’s team cleaned up the court to bring in the final five points. Jeannie Knish won at No. 2 singles, defeating Karen Dumas 6-2, 6-3. Kaitlin Cutler took home wins in both of her matches winning No. 3 singles 6-4, 6-3. Kaitlin Cutler and Ryan won at No. 2 doubles, defeating Karen Dumas 6-2, 6-3. Kathleen Must win at No. 1 doubles and Gutrin, last season’s leading goal scorer, followed Carpenter’s effort with a goal of her own in the 28th minute. Dominguez would then strike again for Mexico with her second goal of the game in the 31st minute. The Irish offense held possession of the ball for most of the game down with my right foot. I took a few dribbles and just shot it to the right corner of the net."

The game was a fast-paced affair with both teams pushing the ball up the field for numerous scoring opportunities. Mexico’s world-class forward Maribel Dominguez struck first with a goal in the 14th minute. Notre Dame then answered with a goal by sophomore midfielder Kim Carpenter in the 22nd minute.

Guertin, last season’s leading goal scorer, followed Carpenter’s effort with a goal of her own in the 28th minute. Dominguez would then strike again for Mexico with her second goal of the game in the 31st minute. The Irish offense held possession of the ball for most of the game down with my right foot. I took a few dribbles and just shot it to the right corner of the net."

**Irish earn 3-2 win in first exhibition game**

By JOE LICANDRO  
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame women’s soccer team started off its spring exhibition season on the right foot with a 3-2 victory over the visiting Mexican National Team in a frigid Friday night contest. With just under 20 minutes left in the game and the score tied 2-2, Irish forward Amanda Guertin crossed the ball out to teammate Melissa Tancredi, who sped past the Mexican defense and shot the ball in the lower left corner of the net for the game-winning goal.

"Amanda made a great pass. She crossed the ball all the way from the other side of the field," said Tancredi. "I was running down the side line, and I brought the ball down with my right foot. I took a few dribbles and just shot it to the right corner of the net."

**Irish win as College Cup dream remains alive**

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**Irish women’s basketball leaves ACC tourney with split**

The Notre Dame women’s basketball team finished the Atlantic Coast Conference tournament with a 78-66 win over Pittsburgh Thursday and a 75-60 loss to second-seeded Duke Saturday. With the win, the Irish earn a spot in the NCAA tournament and a date with 15th-seeded Temple in the first round.

**Irish get three points in incredible finish**

Senior Carrie Nixon finished her career with a tenth-place finish in the 100-yard freestyle on Friday to earn an All-America honor.

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**Irish women’s lacrosse vs. Delaware, Tuesday, 4 p.m.**

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**SMC Softball vs. Goshen, Tuesday, 3 p.m.**

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