

Commemorates Right to Life Day

Hesburgh offers Mass for unborn

by Valerie Zurblis
Staff Reporter

"The mystery of life is the heart of our concern—it is a gift so magnificent that no one but God had the rights over it. He gives abundantly and doesn't abuse it." Father Theodore Hesburgh, University President, said these words at a special mass for the right to life yesterday. The concelebrated mass was held on the second anniversary of the Supreme Court decision of Roe vs. Wade which enables woman to receive abortion on demand.

Hesburgh stressed that humans do make mistakes. He made reference to the Plessy-Ferguson Supreme Court case where blacks were declared equal but separate. This was reversed in 1954 in the Brown decision.

50-year wait

"We had to wait 50 years for a regression of what was done," Hesburgh said. "We will not wait 50 long years to do something about it, we had best be more strategic than we have been today and do something about it," he continued.

Examples of Hitler's incineration of millions of Jews during World War II was the law then and everyone under him prescribed to it. "Yet they were extremely wrong in the name of the law. Today the Supreme Court says abortion is legitimate and we can do it, but



HESBURGH: "We will uphold the Right to Life everywhere we go in everything we do."

with reflection it can be seen as extremely wrong," Hesburgh noted.

The promise of a human being

Hesburgh argued that once life begins it moves along a path and becomes what it is created to be—in this case a human being. "It is fruitless to argue when precisely a human can be defined because we know that at the end there is the promise of a human being," Hesburgh explained.

Hesburgh feels that it is wrong for someone to take the omnipresent power of God to decide which humans will live and which will die. "We were brought up to respect the law, but if we thing decisions should be refuted we must refute them," he said.

The University president brought up the women's libber philosophy that it was a woman's right to have an abortion if she wants it. "I believe in woman's liberation but I cannot believe in abortion being a fundamental right of it," he said. "I think women have no more right over life than anyone else."

On sex attitudes Hesburgh said that there was much today that dehumanized the concept of sex which, to him, is life created on a human scale for God to create a mortal soul. "Sex gives God the greatest gift—the power to give life and for man to collaborate with him," he stated.

Respect for life

Hesburgh also stressed that if Catholics showed their respect for life in the unborn child, they should show it across the board—the old, young, diseased, deprived, starving and racially different should all be respected with the right to live.

"Speaking one's respect for life and closing his eyes on others in the world today disqualifies us to say anything at all," commented Hesburgh.

To convince Americans that Catholics really respect



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the right to life, Hesburgh urged that we have to change our judgements from the beginning of conception to the end of life.

"What I am, you were"

"I think it is a terrible thing that all over the world life is degraded for unborn people and for people born and doomed to die very soon. If we really want to convince the world and our country that we have respect for life, we had better start showing respect for life and the justice should attempt the promise if life for every human being in the world—black or white, western or oriental, rich or poor, young or old. We are for the right to life and to its flowering, not just its' birth. We will uphold the right to life everywhere we go in everything we do and will vindicate that right even if a personal sacrifice might call upon us," Hesburgh commented.

He then related a story about when he was in Hong Kong and saw a sign above a cemetery entrance which read, "What you are, I once was. What I am, you soon will be." Hesburgh transcribed that for the unborn, as if they say to us, "What I am now, you once were. What you now are, I shall somehow sometime hope to be."

The mass, which was attended by a large crowd, was concelebrated by Father William Lewers, provincial of the Holy Cross Brothers, Archbishop Lawrence Graner, who spent some time in Bangladesh, Father William Toohey and Father Edmund Joyce.

After clothes store robbery

South Bend gunmen escape with hostage

SOUTH BEND, Ind. (UPI)—Two gunmen vanished with a 17-year-old girl prisoner Wednesday after freeing five other hostages in a deal with police for two getaway vehicles and a promise that they would not be pursued.

The bandits, one carrying a sawed-off shotgun and the other a pistol, were trapped by police while robbing a clothing store Tuesday night. The men originally took six persons hostage in the store, but released two of them later Tuesday.

Keep girl employee captive

During a chase by police helicopter and cars Wednesday, they released three more, keeping captive only Loucindy Sherman, a high school student employed at the clothing store. A van and a car provided by police were found abandoned later in a northwest area of South Bend, and police converged on the section in the belief the bandits were holed up there.

Police Chief John H. Walsh refused to reveal if the police knew the identity of the gunmen or to give their descriptions. He said only that they and Miss Sherman were black.

The two men were trapped in Rosenbaum's Clothiers Tuesday night by police who had answered an alarm. They grabbed the six hostages as protection from police fire and bargained for a getaway van, which was provided and then later exchanged for a sedan.

Police in squad cars and a helicopter kept surveillance on the van as it traveled through South Bend, into Michigan and then back to South Bend.

The chase began at about 10:55 p.m. when the van headed west on Western Street and turned north on Walnut.

Police pursue gunmen

The van was temporarily lost by pursuing police units but was then found. The chase continued as the kidnapers drove on Elwood to Angela.

Turning south on Eddy St., the vehicle wound through the northeast sector of town before stopping for about 10 minutes on Sorin near Eddy.

The van then headed into Michigan, travelling in the vicinity of the Michiana Regional Airport. Finally, it returned to South Bend.

The gunmen later agreed to take two policemen who volunteered to substitute for the hostages. Then

holding the two patrolmen, the wife of the store owner and Miss Sherman as captives, the gunmen drove off in the van. A few hours later after zig-zagging north to a spot near Niles, Mich., and then heading back to South Bend, they demanded that police quit tracking them and that they get a car instead of a van.

Police agreed to the deal in exchange for release of all hostages. During the vehicle exchange, two captives

were released. Later, one of the two remaining hostages was left in car in a parking lot and the gunmen escaped on foot with Miss Sherman, police said.

The kidnapers and Miss Sherman still have not been located, and police believe that they are still travelling together. Earlier yesterday afternoon, police obtained a warrant to search a house on the West Side, but nothing turned up.

Mardi Gras plans outlined

by Maureen Flynn
Staff Reporter

Mardi Gras chairman Dan Sullivan commented last night on the financial aspects of Mardi Gras and outlined the security system which has been set up to prevent loss of revenue due to cheating.

"We have more booths this year than ever before," said Sullivan, "and each booth has more windows, tables, and games. This means we'll be able to handle a larger crowd and realize more profit."

"We hope everyone sold their books of raffle tickets," he added. "We will be in dire straits if the raffle falls through. Years ago it was the raffle that carried the carnival, but in recent history the carnival has had to carry the raffle."

Sullivan said that the Mardi Gras will recommend cancellation of the raffle for next year's event if sales are "as miserable as in the past."

"We have offered to pay the halls \$5 per book sold if they reach their quota," explained Sullivan. "This amounts to approximately \$25,000 with no strings attached. This has never been done before and its at far as we can go."

"We're more than splitting the profits

with the halls," he continued. "They get half and we get half, but we pay all the construction expenses, etc. It's quite a deal."

In order to qualify for the \$5 rebate on each book sold a hall must sell a number of books equal to 90 percent of its population.

"We don't know yet what's been sold," Sullivan pointed out. "Maybe a large percentage have already been sold. We'll know on Friday. We'll also have a list of who sold how many books of tickets, so we can distribute Mardi Gras admission buttons."

Sullivan explained that each student who sells one book is entitled to a Mardi Gras button which admits him to the activities at Stepan free.

Sullivan does not anticipate that Mardi Gras will incur any debts. "If the enthusiasm of the small band of workers who are here every night constructing booths for the halls is indicative of the feelings of the general student body," he stated, "then the carnival should be able to bail out the raffle if necessary."

Sullivan does not expect the losses in revenue which resulted from dishonesty and misunderstanding last year. He hopes that these will be

prevented this year by the Dealers' School and the security system.

"This year Mardi Gras has instituted its own Dealers' School," explained Sullivan. "In past years the committee trained the hall chairman and he then trained his own dealers. We found this resulted in a great loss of revenue because dealers from different booths had different understanding of the rules. This time all dealers will be following the same standard set of rules."

Sullivan admitted there were some problems last year with crooked dealing and expressed the hope that the Dealers' School would weed out the potential cheaters. If not, Security Chairman Dean Laurich has devised a security system employing both uniformed and plainclothes officers to act as a deterrent for dishonest dealers or patrons.

"The booths are responsible for their dealers," said Sullivan. "If a dealer is caught cheating, his booth could be fined or temporarily closed. He himself will be turned over to the Dean of Students, as will any dishonest patron."

"We regret having to use such strong methods to insure integrity," Sullivan stated.

world briefs

WASHINGTON (UPI)—The Treasury Department announced Wednesday it will borrow a record \$28 billion in the next six months to finance the growing red-ink deficits of the federal government. The massive incursion of the government into the capital markets will squeeze the amount of available money and could give an upward push to interest rates.

WASHINGTON (UPI)—Appointment of a civil rights coordinator with authority to enforce school desegregation in Boston and elsewhere was recommended to President Ford Wednesday by the U.S. Civil Rights Commission.

CONCORD N.H. (UPI)—The New Hampshire Legislature Wednesday was expected to approve legislation inviting the U.S. Senate to call a rerun of history's closest Senate election. Gov. Meldrim Thompson said he would sign the measure within two hours of passage.

VANDENBERG AFB, Calif. (UPI)—An earth resources satellite, hailed as the prototype of the most useful spacecraft yet devised, was launched Wednesday to join a sister ship scanning every portion of the globe with cameras and sensors.

WASHINGTON (UPI)—The government reported Wednesday that a record 970,200 persons joined the rolls of unemployment insurance applicants in the week ended Jan. 11, signalling another sharp increase in the nation's overall unemployment rate.

PARIS (UPI)—Bishop Roger Tort, 56, died of heart attack in or near a hotel used by prostitutes in Les Halles section of Paris six days ago, the second high ranking Roman Catholic prelate in France to die in such circumstances within nine months, police said Wednesday.

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8:00 pm - lecture, "apartheid, christianity and liberation: church vs. state in south africa", in room 1201, mem. lib.

8:00 pm - dance program, "the all-american jazz dance party" featuring the gus giordana dance co. in wash. hall.

8:00 pm - recital, student piano recital by jeanne norell, in little theatre.

Visitors desert Darby's Place

by Marianne Schulte
Staff Reporter

The new semester has brought about a drop in attendance at Darby's Place, acting manager Bob Bode said yesterday. The number of visitors to the "clean, well-lighted place" has fallen from its average of 200 people per night to approximately fifty or less throughout the course of the morning.

Darby's Place was established early last semester by University Chaplain Father Griffin who recognized a need for a place for students to go during the early morning hours in order to casually socialize or to continue their studying after the library had closed.

Since its opening, Darby's Place, located in the basement of LaFortune Student Center has enjoyed a steady stream of insomniacs, ambitious students, and social die-hards who prefer to stay up and talk with old friends and make new acquaintances rather than catch up on their sleep. Others just drop by to say hello to the proprietor, Father Griffin, and his faithful companion and dog, Darby O'Gill, after whom the place was named.

Bode expressed his concern over the fall in attendance, but attributed the decline to the fact that very few students have tests to be studying for as yet. He also suggested that the colder weather might be giving students second thoughts about coming over to Darby's.

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Violence continues

British, IRA cut off peace talks

By FRANK JOHNSTON
BELFAST (UPI) — The British government said Wednesday it was breaking off indirect contacts with the Irish Republican Army until the new outbreak of violence in Northern Ireland ends.

The message was conveyed at a meeting Wednesday between two representatives of Northern Ireland Secretary Merlyn Rees and two members of Sinn Fein, the legal political wing of the IRA. It was the second such session in four days.

A statement issued by Rees said the meeting had been called to discuss arrangements to guarantee that there would be no breakdown of any new IRA cease-fire like the one that ended Jan. 16 after 25 days.

"My officials also have made it clear," the statement said, "that as long as violence continues in the way it has in the last few days there can be no point in detailed discussion of such arrangements."

Four persons have been killed in Northern Ireland since early Tuesday in the worst period of

bloodshed since the holiday truce began Dec. 22. The latest victim, found near the border with the Irish Republic, was hooded and police said apparently was the victim of an IRA execution squad.

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Views differ on SMC candidates

by Sue Nelson
Staff Reporter

The results of the search for a new president at St. Mary's has met with varied reactions from administrators, faculty and students on the campus.

Five candidates were submitted to the Corporate Board of the Sisters of Holy Cross by the Presidential Search Committee, thus concluding a 10-month search for a new president that began with the March 1974 resignation of Dr. Edward L. Henry. The search committee was composed of members of the Board of Regents, faculty members, administrators, and a student. Over 250 applications for the post were reviewed by the Search Committee.

"The candidates for President

should have had more exposure to the student body, in fairness to the candidates, as well as for student benefit," said Mary Lou Bilek, sophomore Class President at St. Mary's and Student Board of Governance member, in reaction to the selection of candidates for President of the College.

Tess Lehman, student representative on the Search Committee said, "I definitely feel that the candidates chosen were the best of all the people who contacted the College."

Lehman added that the Search Committee was the best method possible for selecting Presidential candidates, as it was comprised of representatives from every facet of the St. Mary's community.

Lehman noted however, that she "would have liked to have seen

more students on the Search Committee." She felt that the committee was imbalanced in favor of Board of Regents members, and felt that an equal number of students should have been present.

Mary O'Donnell, Sophomore Class Vice-President, noted that "students should have had more of a say in the decision. It would have been nice to know the qualifications of these men - I mean, we didn't know who was up for the job until the Observer article came out."

Interviews with a random sampling of St. Mary's students showed that most agreed with this view. "We don't know who these men are - and one of them will be making decisions on our behalf. I think the students should have been

able to meet them" one student noted.

Lehman noted that all members of the Student Board of Governance were allowed to meet with prospective candidates. She added that an attempt was made for some kind of interaction between St. Mary's students and prospective presidential candidates, perhaps through an informal coffee house. Plans had to be cancelled, however, because of interference with Christmas vacations. Some candidates also

gave specific requests that their applications be handled confidentially, Lehman added.

Among faculty members, there was a general agreement that the Search committee had done an excellent job in handling the task set before them. "I know the Committee has selected the best candidate for the position, and I hope the Corporate Board of the Sisters of Holy Cross will choose as wisely - and promptly," commented Dr. Rita Cassidy, Chairman of Faculty Senate.

On February 2

ND plans anti-hunger day

by Gregg Bangs
Staff Reporter

The Notre Dame World Hunger Coalition is sponsoring a day of prayer, action, and education in observance of the worldwide concern over the hunger situation on Sunday, February 2. The entire Notre Dame community is invited to participate in the day's activities which include a mass celebrated by University President Theodore Hesburgh, C.S.C., and rice and tea meal.

The mass will be celebrated at 4:30 Sunday afternoon in the Athletic and Convocation Center. In his sermon, Hesburgh will emphasize the significance of the hunger issue and the importance of awareness, sacrifice and prayer.

From 5:30 to 6:30, members of the Notre Dame community have a chance to show their concern over the hunger situation by participating in a tea and rice meal at the A.C.C. The University will contribute seventy five cents to the Christian Organization for Relief and Rehabilitation (CORR) for every student who passes up his regular dinner and partakes in the rice and tea meal.

This is the second such meal presented to the Notre Dame community by the Hunger Coalition. As a result of the last rice and tea meal held the Tuesday before Thanksgiving, a total of \$1117.00 was raised to begin a fund for the relief of the hungry.

Bouffard resigns managing posts

by Lonnie Luna
Staff Reporter

Don Bouffard has announced his resignation as ticket manager and assistant business manager of Notre Dame. The resignation will not become official until March 1.

Bouffard, a Notre Dame graduate, took the job as assistant business manager the day after he graduated in June, 1966. He remained an assistant until March, 1969, when he was promoted to ticket manager. Bouffard was offered a CPA (Certified Public Accountant) position with a South Bend firm.

Bouffard was the center of controversy early in the fall of last year. The issue was over the 100 percent increase in the season basketball tickets. It seems as if neither student body had received notices of the price increase. Bouffard said that any delay in mailing the application was caused when Pat McLaughlin, student body president, and Fr. Edmund Joyce were mulling out the price compromise for Notre Dame students. Bouffard was also accused of discrimination because of the high prices and separate sections for St. Mary's students.

In regard to his resignation, Bouffard said, "It was a hard decision. I really hate to leave Notre Dame but I had to think of my family's future. The new job should prove to be a challenge."

The last time this meal was held, pledges were circulated before meals at both the north and south dining halls. The result was successful. However, a large number of the students who pledged to partake in the meal failed to do so. The University only gave seventy five cents to the fund for every student who showed up at the meal, so the final amount raised did not live up to previous expectations.

In order to improve upon the number of people attending this meal, the pledges will now be brought to the ND-SMC community on a dorm to dorm basis. Mike Davis, head of community service directors, is spearheading this campaign, which began last night. Students can expect their respective dormitory's community service directors to visit their room within the week.

Mary Ann Roemer, a member of the Coalition, hoped that the directors would be able to emphasize the students' attendance at the meal. "By sending the directors to the students, we can explain to the students that their presence at the meal is required to procure the seventy five cents that the University vowed to give for each student giving up his normal meal," she explained.

Roemer added that off campus students are welcome to attend. However, they must pay a dollar and a half at the door, half of which will go to CORR.

CORR is a relief organization

located in Bangla-Desh. It's president, Richard Timm, C.S.C., is a native of Michigan City and a graduate of Notre Dame.

Working hand in hand with the CORR on this anti-hunger day is the Notre Dame Hunger Coalition. Reverend Frank Gartland, the newly appointed director of the coalition, has organized its members into five task forces to coordinate the event. They include food services, media, faculty, liturgy and Cooperation groups.

One of the guests attending anti-hunger day activities is Senator Richard Clarke (D-Iowa) a leader of the world hunger cause in the Senate.

Senior survey gets extension

Due to a problem with survey distribution and mailing, the deadline for returning the Senior Ball surveys has been extended. The surveys can be submitted to the Morrissey Loan Fund office anytime before this Sunday, January 25, at noon. Because of a mailing mix-up and some address changes, some seniors did not receive the questionnaires until yesterday. However, the Committee must have all surveys by Sunday, since final tabulations and decisions must be made as soon as possible. All seniors are urged to fill out the form and return it by Sunday.

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For SMC seniors

New career program planned

by Kathy Skiba
Staff Reporter

Karen O'Neil, director of St. Mary's Career Development Center, announced a major development program to be held for seniors on Wednesday, January 29. The program, labeled, "It's Not Too Late: Let's Talk About Your Future Now," will be presented in the basement of Regina Hall from 6 until 10 p.m.

Featured will be, "information on the specifics of life and career planning relative to academic background and past experience," according to O'Neil.

The program will be open to all senior women of St. Mary's and Notre Dame, "who are looking for jobs, applying to graduate school, getting married, or uncertain as to their future plans," she said.

Several stations will be set up in the basement of Regina, each dealing with one of the various aspects of career and life planning. Each of these stations will be staffed by a senior or a community member well-oriented to the particular area.

Areas to be presented include: the value of a liberal arts education; the business opportunities for liberal arts graduates; the job outlook in

today's economic situation; getting established in a new city; and retaining identity in or out of marriage.

In addition, booths will be set up for various fields including government, community organization, health, art, and education. Also featured will be booths on post-graduate studies and non-teaching jobs for teachers.

There will be a general information booth for registration with the Career Development Center for those who haven't done so as yet, and a resource station with books, pamphlets, and other general career planning information. O'Neil noted that the latter would be "a good place to start for those who don't know just where to start."

Another booth will provide assistance with the technical skills of writing a resume, and completing an interview. O'Neil noted that both group and individual attention would be provided in these areas.

O'Neil stressed, "It's not too late for seniors to start thinking about what they want to do. We hope that it will be an informal evening with a lot of discussion, and that the program will provide a lot of support, a lot of encouragement, and hopefully a lot of answers."

Noting that the presentations would not be geared solely towards job counseling, O'Neil explained that "the program will deal with all the options available to graduates, including graduate work, marriage, travel, etc."

Although the program is being held for seniors, similar programs are being planned for all class levels by the development center.

St. Mary's room selection undergoes policy change

by Cathy Busto
Staff Reporter

The basic room selection procedure for this spring at St. Mary's was outlined by SMC Housing Coordinator Nannette Blais yesterday.

Under the new policy, a student can "freeze" her room and remove it from the lottery, but a room cannot be reserved unless all of the present occupants in the room state that they wish to remain in it. "If anyone does not wish to 'freeze' the room, or if any one of the occupants does not wish to remain a resident student, then all of the occupants must enter the lottery," Blais explained.

Anyone who has not reserved a room will pick a class lottery number, she added.

A quota of beds per wing will also be set aside for freshmen under the new policy. "All of the wings in all

of the halls (where conducive) except the Southwest and Southeast wings of LeMans will have a quota of beds set aside for freshmen before room picks take place for the upperclassmen of the upcoming year," Blais noted. Priority of room Selection will be according to class lottery number.

"A quota of beds per wing means setting aside a certain number of beds per wing, not setting aside specific beds in a wing," Blais continued.

Blais emphasized that a detailed outline of the procedures will follow in the next three weeks and will be publicized campus-wide within three weeks. Anyone wishing to discuss the policy after publication of all the details can set up an appointment to discuss it.

The housing office will also have an ombudsman telephone service one week before room picks to answer questions about the new policy.

Unemployment spirals; continued inflation seen

by Richard Hughes
UPI Business Writer

A record number of Americans are receiving unemployment benefits, the Labor Department said Wednesday. Large and small companies closed plants, and Treasury Secretary William Simon said a high inflation rate will continue for years.

The reports of deepening recession and Simon's prediction of more years of rising prices came as President Ford and Congress clashed over ways to solve the nation's economic and energy problems.

One economist who attended a White House briefing on Ford's package told UPI he came away convinced Ford and his advisers don't expect or want their proposals to be enacted, notwithstanding public statements of support.

"In my opinion," he said, "I don't even think they want a tax cut that would bring large budget deficits—plus inflation."

The economist, who asked not to be identified, said he got the "clear impression" the administration's proposals for a tax rebate and for \$30 billion in higher fuel costs were

part of a "game plan" to outmaneuver Congress, force a stalemate and delay enactment of any program.

The upshot of the strategy, he said, would be to allow time for regular market forces to work—allow the recession to run its course without pump-priming that could worsen inflation.

Junior parents' reservations due

All parents planning to attend the Junior Parents' Weekend program should have their reservation forms returned by February 1, J. Patrick Boyle, Parents' Weekend committee chairman said yesterday. This will allow the committee to mail tickets and confirmations by Feb. 15.

"There is still plenty of time to forward invitations to parents who may not have gotten them due to postal difficulties," Boyle said. Any Junior whose parents have not received invitations should contact Boyle at 289-2521.

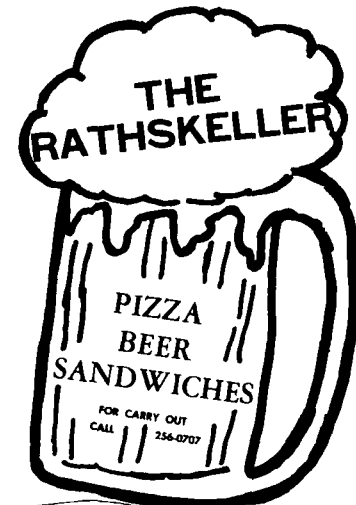
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homosexuality - a separate experience

by andy praschak

Editor's Note: This is the second in a series of three articles dealing with the question of homosexuality at Notre Dame. The series will continue today and Friday.

The South Bend Gay Scene

For members of the gay community of South Bend, as well as a number of Notre Dame students, the majority of interaction takes place at the two gay bars in the heart of the city.

A few members of the Gay Students of Notre Dame who have been to the bars tried to describe them to the reporter as best they could but suggested that the only way to write about gay bars is to actually experience a night there.

The reporter decided to take their advice and get a taste of the South Bend gay life. Hoping to spend the night strictly as an outside observer, he asked a girlfriend, Judy, if she'd be willing to join him in an evening of investigative reporting. She complied and they were soon on their way.

The first bar the two visited has a reputation for being more quiet and con-

servative than most gay bars. "You may not even be able to tell that it is a gay bar," Tom warned.

When the couple first arrived, the sparse crowd turned and seemed to be checking them out as they made their way to the table. However, this seems to happen in any bar and they found nothing unusual about it.

The decor of the bar was the same as that found in any neighborhood bar: a pool table, a well supplied bar, high ceilings and an aging bartender.

For the first hour, the outsiders sat alone at the table with no interaction with any of the patrons. The bar, however, was getting crowded and occasionally one of the "regulars" would make an entrance and shower his friends with hugs and kisses.

It soon became obvious that they were being watched and sometimes even blatantly stared at. The stares, however, were not hostile but rather ones trying to send a message that someone was interested in one of them.

On my way to the juke box, one of the bolder members waited until the reporter passed and said, "You're pretty hot, baby." Being at a loss for words, all he could think to do was turn around and say "Thank you."

After a while, the forward one came to the table, introduced himself, apologized for his actions and asked if he could join the table. They obliged.

The next question was, "Are you gay?" Wishing to neither discourage him nor lead him on, the reporter simply replied, "Whatever..." He seemed to interpret the answer the way he wanted and was soon asking the reporter to go home with him, if for only an hour.

His friends eventually began to filter over to the table and join in the conversation. Most were courteous but there were a few who were obviously experienced hustlers. It was made clear that the reporter was not leaving with anybody and the crowd around the table eventually began to thin out. However, four or five guys left matchbooks with their names and addresses and instructions to look them up if he changed his mind.

Nonetheless, the persistent "trophy hunter" refused to be discouraged and was now bargaining for only a half hour alone. "I can't leave Judy here alone," the reporter said. He simply replied, "Bring her along, we can find her a friend too." He finally got the message and left the table, leaving only his calling card, the infamous book of matches.

The crowd at the table soon dispersed and all that were left were Judy, Donnie and the reporter. Donnie had been quite shy all evening and spoke up only occasionally.

Meanwhile, the all male customers seemed to be loosening up. They began to dance, sing, embrace and compete for the attention of the crowd.

Somehow, the reporter and his guest felt that Donnie wanted to talk and they were the only people he could talk with. He explained that he came to the bars often but hated the whole scene. Naturally he was asked why he kept coming if he hated it. "There's just no where else around that I can be with other gays," he replied.

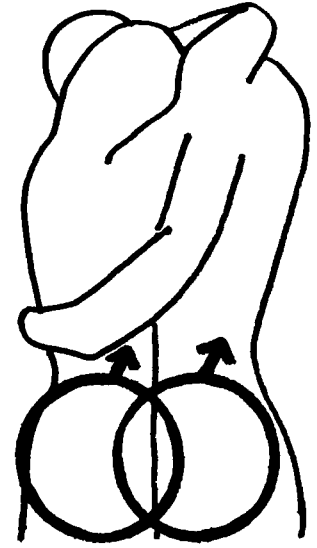
When asked why he disliked it so much, he said that he was tired of always being hustled and used only for sex. He said he was just looking for someone who could understand and love him. "But that's just not possible in this environment and where else do I have to go?" he said.

He then proceeded to tell of his loneliness and the lack of stability in all his relationships. The reporter began to feel guilty about deceiving Donnie and using a mental notebook to record everything he was telling in confidence. The journalist debated with himself and then decided to tell him why he was really at the gay bar.

"I'm relieved to hear you're straight," he said. "I was beginning to really value our relationship but I was afraid we would mess it up with sex in the end," he confessed. From then on he said he would cooperate as best he could and offered to take the reporter to the other gay bar.

The next bar differed greatly in appearance and atmosphere, although the clientele seemed the same. The decor included the basic posters, blacklights and background rock music. The mood seemed to be more relaxed and the dance floor was very crowded. The number of amorous couples also increased.

Donnie pointed out who the "big studs" were and where the latest romances were seated. He was eventually thanked for his



help and told the reporter that he would have to leave soon. Donnie asked if the reporter would do him a favor, "Let me tell everyone we are 'tricking' (leaving together)." He obliged and they walked out together, with Judy following behind. "That will teach those bitches," Donnie laughed.

In the interview with Tom, the grad student, he admitted that he had once frequented the bars that had been visited but that no longer was "his scene." "I don't consider those people my peers," he noted. "Those people jump around and act crazy because it is the only damn time they can be themselves," he said.

He went on to explain that one of the main purposes of The Gay Students of Notre Dame is to overcome this problem by providing an outlet so there's not so much of a shift from a person's everyday life to the gay life.

Other members of Gay Students of Notre Dame were explicit in stating that the gay life of the people in South Bend was much different from theirs and exhibited the problems they are attempting to overcome.

... his loneliness and his lack of stability in all his relationships...



an artist's fascination with people

by janet denefe

An exhibition of Douglas Kinsey's recent paintings opened Sunday, January 19, in the University Art Gallery. Kinsey, a faculty member in the art department, will display his work until February 25.

A full and unique environment exists in the gallery. Large and small paintings break up the wall space, and three painted screens, each six feet tall, dominate the center of the room. Most of the paintings employ human figures, but there are two flower arrangements and five watercolor still lifes.

On a trip to Africa, Kinsey was horrified by human starvation, and his concern for this problem is evident in his work. "Heroism of Modern Life" is a study of Bangladesh refugees waiting in a food line. There are countless people, pressed together in a crowd, each one with an individual appeal. The theme of this painting is the one and the many.

"Children of Affluence," hanging next to it, has this same scene depicted in the background, except that it appears in muted tones of grey. The addition is three figures in the foreground, lounging comfortably, unaware of the hungry people so close to them.

Kinsey feels strongly that we cannot survive as a human race unless we think of ourselves as one large group sharing the same problems. He is helping by contributing the proceeds of his painting sales to the American Friends Service Committee for Famine Relief.

Along the same lines, the artist also is fascinated by people and their relationships with one another. He paints people lost in solitude, people reaching out to one another, and people together who are indifferent to one another's presence. "Red Screen" is taken from a photograph of the Woodstock festival. It is a frightening painting, a wasteland image of people who are together but unaware of each other. Although they could reach out and touch each other, they have no connection with anyone else. The



colors are low in intensity, which casts a weird unreal light on the figures.

"Listening" reflects the artist's concern with human relationships. It depicts three people sitting together in a bare living room, one boy touching another's shoulder in a gesture of despair. The effect is one of desolation amid community.

Kinsey feels that people touching one another is a very basic kind of subject matter. "Blue Screen" shows two people embracing one another, a boy and a girl, and next to them is a solitary person. The colors are blended in such a way that the painting glows warmly.

Kinsey is intrigued by color luminosity. He recently began working with low-intensity colors, to the point of being dull, yet using light and shadow in such a way as to achieve a luminous effect. The result is a bleached-out, faded color area that has a sheen to it, and also the effect of sobriety.

One of the ways in which Kinsey achieves this particular result is by grading the intensity of a certain color. Colors gradually blend into much darker shades on almost all of his paintings. the back of "Red Screen"

is divided into three areas of color - maroon, gold, and blue-grey - and Kinsey considers each area a painting in itself. All of the colors are graded from light to dark, thereby comprising a study in luminosity.

"Winter's Flight" employs luminosity richly. It is an oil screen of a tree growing in the back yard of faculty member Bill Kremer. Kinsey sat outside in the pouring rain for an hour with his sketchbook, trying to capture winter before it melted into spring.

Another idea which intrigues Kinsey is the triptych, or the division of a surface into three segments. "Heroism of Modern Life" has two lines which divide it, one of these is due to the fact that the photograph from which it was taken had a crease in it, and

Kinsey like the effect. Consequently, he used lines on many of his paintings, such as "Misty Flats," until he decided that it was too artificial, and what he really wanted was to paint on three paneled Japanese-like screens.

None of Kinsey's paintings are simplistic. "Ancient Stories" has four sections, two are painted of flood refugees, one depicts Cain slaying Abel, and the last is Narcissus staring at his reflection in a pond. All of these are themes of destruction: a flood creates damage, fratricide is self-hate, and narcissism is self-love.

Kinsey's show is more than an exhibition of his paintings; it is also a demonstration of his concern with humanity as a whole and with humans as individuals.



Tonight at 8:00 p.m. the Gus Giordano Dance Company will present a jazz dance concert on the O'Loughlin stage. Tickets are \$1.50 per person and available at the door.

Only library jobs affected

Budget cut forces dismissal of student help

by Martha Fanning
Staff Reporter

Several student positions were recently discontinued by the library. This action was attributed to a cut in the budget.

Maria O'Meara, one of the students effected, said, "When I went over there to fill out my schedule at the beginning of the semester, they informed me that I couldn't work there anymore."

O'Meara also said she was surprised at this action since, at

the end of last semester, there was no indication that she would lose her job.

Another student affected, Damian Leader, stated, "I was told that they couldn't keep me on due to a budget cut."

Most of the students were unaware of the cutback in jobs until they returned from break.

Joseph O'Brien, Director of Personnel, said he learned of the lay-offs last week. The explanations he received were that the budget was cut and that the library had "overextended itself

during the holidays." Extra people were employed to enable completion of necessary work before second semester.

Most students effected, however, had worked there all semester. Some stayed on an extra two weeks during the Christmas vacation but this was understood at that time to be temporary work.

Many of the students involved in the lay-off are part of service credit program. They work a certain number of hours and a deduction is made in their tuition payment. Jobs for students in this

program are guaranteed.

"These students will not be hurt by the cutback in jobs. If another job is not immediately available, they will still have the deduction from their tuition, and every effort will be made to find them a new job," stated O'Brien.

The library is the only department that has been discontinuing jobs, O'Brien added.

Currently there are over 1400 campus jobs occupied by students. Included are 720 employed in the service credit program, 620 employed at hourly rated jobs, and 100 hourly rated jobs are occupied by those in the work-study program.

"The employment rate at the university has remained fairly constant," stated O'Brien, "but as the economy changes the number

of applicants varies each year." When assigning jobs to student applicants, certain priorities are observed. A list from the financial aide office is used to determine the need of an applicant.

The priorities are: 1.) financial need; 2.) students in service credit program; and 3.) all others.

Gary Marmontello, manager of employee relations, food services, commented on jobs in food services. "Many students who had jobs last year remained in them this year so there was very little turnover." No decrease in the number of jobs is expected, he noted.

"No change is anticipated in the overall number of student jobs that will be available next year versus this year," concluded O'Brien.

Head Start looks for volunteers for 600 South Bend pre-schoolers

by Anna Monardo
Staff Reporter

The South Bend Head Start program is seeking student volunteers to work with culturally disadvantaged pre-school students.

According to Lucy McCulloigh, a Head Start spokesman, there are over 600 children in the South Bend community who are in need of friendly, concerned students to take an interest in them, to talk to them, to make them feel important and sure of themselves. Head Start is attempting to fill that need with a child development program to give pre-school children from economically and culturally disadvantaged backgrounds the benefits of which they should not be deprived.

The program offers medical services, social services, nutrition, and an educational program involving the child and his parents and family.

Head Start is designed to prepare pre-school children from disadvantaged homes to enter school on a more equal footing with their more fortunate classmates. By developing a climate of confidence for the child they make him want to learn. The child is helped in his emotional and social development, thereby encouraging self-confidence, self-discipline and self-expression. Parents play a large part in the program which allows a deeper understanding and a stronger unit to be formed within families.

There are 17 Head Start centers in the South Bend area and all are

badly in need of volunteers. Approximately 31 volunteers are needed each day to assist the teacher in the classrooms.

Other volunteer services include supervision of outdoor activities and field trips; taking part in musical activities, indoor creative play, crafts and storytelling; bringing children to and from the center; assisting in parent education; serving of meals; serving as librarians working on newsletter staff; serving as photographer and projectionist; acting as case aide to Social Service Worker and talking with the children about everything they do in a way which will help them to learn.

Students with interests and skills touching on any of these areas are asked to consider spending a few hours a week, from 8:30 a.m. to noon, Monday through Friday, with the community's Head Start program.

The student volunteers of last semester contributed a great deal of time and effort, according to Lucy McCulloigh of Head Start. "I wish to thank all those who volunteered. We greatly appreciate all their work."

Working hours can be flexible, and students can choose from among the 17 centers located throughout the city, McCulloigh noted. Men and women are needed and orientation sessions will be arranged for all volunteers.

Any student wishing to volunteer should contact Mike Foley, 326 Howard, Phone: 8256, for additional information.

Anti-abortionists demand constitutional amendment

WASHINGTON (UPI) — Anti-abortionists rallied on the icy steps of the Capitol Wednesday and urged Congress to establish a constitutional amendment banning abortion.

Police estimates of the crowd ranged up to 25,000.

Carrying roses and placards — with slogans such as "Kill inflation, not babies" and "It's not nice to fool with mother nature" — the predominately young demonstrators gathered at the west front of the Capitol to hear congressmen and clergy speak out against abortion.

Sen. James L. Buckley, R-N.Y., long-time advocate of anti-abortion measures, received the loudest reception from the crowd when he announced he would introduce a constitutional amendment banning abortion in the Senate Thursday.

"If America is to be the land of the free," Buckley told the gathering, "American children must be free to be born."

Wednesday's demonstration marked the two-year anniversary of the historic Supreme

Court decision that struck down restrictive abortion laws in many states.

Sen. Jesse Helms, R-N.C., a co-sponsor of Buckley's amendment, called that Supreme Court decision "a complete reversal of our moral tradition."

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Students' rights upheld in court

By JAMES A. KIDNEY
WASHINGTON (UPI) — The Supreme Court ruled 5 to 4 Wednesday that public school students facing suspension have a constitutional right to defend themselves at a hearing with administrators.

Justice Byron R. White said students have a substantial "property and liberty" interest in attending public schools which requires special protection under the "due process" clause of the 14th Amendment.

The court affirmed a decision by a three-judge court requiring the Columbus, Ohio, public school system to advise a student why he was being suspended and offer him a chance to defend himself.

White said these procedures could be delayed until after a suspension only when the misconduct posed "a continuing danger to persons or property or an ongoing threat of disrupting the academic process."

The decision was hailed as a

G. Gordon Liddy knocks the press

DANBURY (UPI) — G. Gordon Liddy, brushing aside a reporter and his question Wednesday, knocked the man to the ground as he surrendered to begin serving a 6 to 20 year sentence as the architect of the 1972 Watergate burglary.

Liddy made no comment. A cameraman was jostled, but did not fall.

The incident occurred when Liddy, minus his beard, arrived at the Federal Correctional Institution accompanied by his lawyer, Peter Maroulis.

A guard at the main entrance directed Liddy to a door where prisoners are routinely admitted for processing. As he walked to the door, which turned out to be locked, the newsman blocked his path and asked him a question.

Liddy's shoulder came in contact with the reporter, and the man fell.

Warden John Norton said Liddy will go through regular admission and orientation procedure like any other prisoner for the next several days and then be assigned to a prison program.

He had been free pending outcome of his Watergate appeal, which was turned down by the Supreme Court. The 21 months Liddy has already served is the longest of any Watergate defendant.

landmark by civil libertarians, who said it established students' right to defend themselves against arbitrary decisions by administrators.

The Children's Defense Fund, Cambridge, Mass., which filed briefs in the case on behalf of nine students who were suspended during racial flairs in 1971, said the decision should cut down the number of suspensions for minor infractions.

CDF attorney Sandra Levinson said, "The most important fact by far is that relatively few suspensions come for acts that are violent. Common causes are merely tardiness, walking in the halls or smoking and there is no need to suspend the student."

White said the due process clause "requires, in connection with a suspension of 10 days or less, that the student be given

oral or written notice of the charges against him and, if he denies them, an explanation of the evidence the authorities have and an opportunity to present his side of the story."

Justice Lewis F. Powell Jr., a former member of the Richmond, Va., school board, dissented. He was joined by Chief Justice Warren Burger, William H. Rehnquist and Harry A. Blackman.

"The decision unnecessarily opens avenues for judicial intervention in the operation of our public schools that may affect adversely the quality of education," Powell said.

He concluded that brief suspensions are not significantly harmful to warrant constitutional controls.

"As it is difficult to think of any less consequential infringement than suspension of a junior high school student for a

single day, it is equally difficult to perceive any principled limit to the new reach of procedural due process."

The court also ruled 6 to 3 Wednesday that a Georgia law allowing a creditor to freeze a debtor's bank account without a

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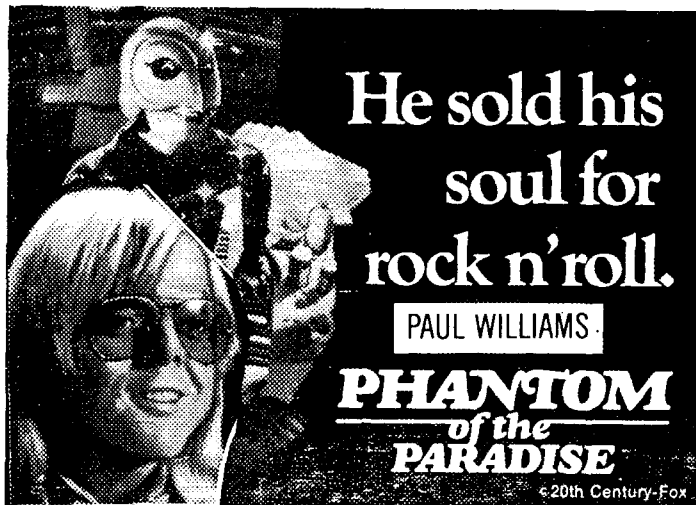
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12 perfect in Interhall free-for-all

by Fred Herbst

Interhall basketball resumed play this week after the Christmas break. Through Tuesday, 12 of the 52 teams remained undefeated.

Off-Campus III (4-0) led by Mike Bonifer and Frank Allocco continued its domination of League I by coasting past Alumni II 60-15.

In League II Sorin I leads the pack with a perfect 3 and 0 record.

Pangborn and Holy Cross II share the lead in League III, each with 3 wins and no losses. The undisputed leader will be determined in the January 23 showdown between the two teams.

League IV sees Morrissey I (3-0) on top. The leaders are paced by Jim Hummer. Despite their perfect record, Morrissey I still has to contend with the rapidly improving Dillon III squad.

Undefeated Howard I (4-0) holds a slim lead over Off-Campus V (3-1) as the two head toward their January 24 meeting. This encounter will greatly affect the race in League V.

While Keenan I and Flanner II have an equal number of victories in League VI, Flanner II has an all important loss on their slate.

Stanford I and Off-Campus VI are deadlocked for the league in League VII with perfect records.

Reigning above League VII is Cavanaugh II with an unblemished 3-0 mark.

Grace IV is coasting through League IX as its nearest rival is a distant game and a half off the

pace.

League X is led by an impressive Grace I team. Cavanaugh I is trailing the leaders by a game and could make things interesting before the season ends.

Sundays action saw Howard II batter Alumni I 68-53, Keenan III setback Flanner V 39-34, Off-Campus V handle Off-Campus VI 48-41, Dillon II edge Morrissey III 59-58, Off-Campus II roll by Morrissey II 58-35, Pangborn II beat Holy Cross I 45-33, Cavanaugh

I knock off Off-Campus IX 50-39, Howard I defeat Fisher I 53-44, Off-Campus III thrash Alumni II 60-15, Grace I put down Stanford III 58-43, St. Ed's I pin Flanner I 61-48 and Grace IV get by Stanford II 49-38.

Tuesday, Off-Campus VI beat Flanner III 63-46, Grace II edged Zahn III 49-45, Flanner II got by Grace V 49-42, Zahn II set down St. Ed's II 47-41, Grace II rolled over

Keenan II 75-42, Cavanaugh II and Dillon IV won on forfeits, Grace IV beat Off-Campus VIII 56-51, St. Ed's I set down Stanford II 48-35, Holy Cross II put down Off-Campus I 54-32 and in the evenings top game Dillon III upset Off-Campus IV 45-44 in overtime.

Dillon III rallied in the second half to overcome a large Off-Campus IV advantage.

Leading the comeback for Dillon III were Jim Guthrie, Steve O'Connell, Vince Lang and Jeff Thompson. In the end it was the heads-up play of Thompson that proved to be the difference.



Interhall basketball action is again in full swing with 52 teams in ten leagues battling for playoff spots.

Thompson led all scorers with 15 points including the winning bucket at the buzzer.

Interhall organizer Jim Ambrose noted that the outstanding teams at this point of the season appear to be Off-Campus III, Keenan I, Pangborn I, Stanford I and Grace I.

Play continues in the ten leagues through February 6 with the playoffs to follow.

Shumate returns for UCLA rally tonight

Though they won't be carrying an 88 win streak, an undefeated season, or "peanut butter sandwich" Bill Walton, the UCLA Bruins invade the ACC this Saturday big and bad as ever. In

anticipation of their arrival, Notre Dame coach Digger Phelps' co-captains Pete Crotty, Dwight Clay, and special guest John Shumate will highlight an "Upend the Bruins" pep rally Thursday night at 7:00 p.m. in the auxiliary gym of the ACC.

The Irish, who lost to UCLA 85-72 December 21 in Los Angeles, hope to start the weekend off properly with the return of Shumate, last year's All-American captain and giant-killer. Presently recovering from a blood clot and doing color commentary for the Phoenix Suns, Shumate called Phelps last night and promised, "I'll definitely be there. And I perform best in front of large crowds."

Wrestlers fall to Montclair

by Rich Odioso

A Notre Dame comeback bid fell short as highly-regarded Montclair State (N.J.) turned back the Irish wrestlers Tuesday night in the ACC's Auxiliary Gym 19-11.

Montclair State jumped on top 9-0 scoring decisions in the first three matches. Notre Dame got on the board as freshman Pat McKillen at 142 stayed unbeaten in dual matches with a 4-3 win over the Indians enraged Kevin Welter. The frustrated Welter cost his team a penalty point by throwing his headgear at the end of his match. The Irish therefore cut the gap to 8-6 when Dave Boyer scored a heady 3-1 win over Greg DiGiacchino. Notre Dame remained two down when stringy Mike Padden and the Indians Bob Woods battled to an interesting 3-3 draw.

The 167 match proved to be the evening's key match as ND's Mike Kemp took on Montclair's national title aspirant Dante Caprio. The match was tied with a minute left when Caprio scored a decisive takedown. A riding time point gave Caprio the match 7-6 despite a penalty point and an escape by the aggressive Kemp in the final ten seconds.

After Bob Dreger lost at 177, Joe Pszeracki, looking better with every match, scored his first win of the season 4-2 over Jeff Jostema. With Notre Dame trailing 16-11, Irish heavyweight Ken Dike needed a pin for a team win but squat Steve Caldwell maintained control throughout in scoring a 3-1 victory.

The Irish now 4-2 travel to Philadelphia Saturday for a quadrangular with Temple, Penn and Kentucky before returning to the A.C.C. next Wednesday afternoon for a triangular with Valparaiso and Evansville.

OBSERVER SPORTS

Swimmers sink Oakland 63-50 on relay

by Ernie Torriero

The Notre Dame swim team defeated Oakland University of Rochester, Mi. in a dual meet held at the Rockne Memorial Pool last night, 63-50. The meet was a closely contested one, with the final relay determining the winner.

The undefeated Irish, 4-0, burst out of the starting blocks in winning the first event, the 400 Yard Medley Relay, in a record setting time of 3:42.2. Bob Thompson swam a record first leg (0:57.3) in pacing the Irish to victory in that event. Quickly Notre Dame found itself in the lead, 7-0.

The Irish stretched the lead to 31-21 by virtue of the fine diving of Joe Caverly. Caverly posted excellent scores in all three of his dives on his way to totaling 225 points.

But Oakland hung tough and after the 200 Yard Breaststroke the Pioneers led, 49-48. But the clutch diving of Bob Ebel, who scored a meet record of 264.30 points in the

Three Meter Diving, put the Irish up top, 56-50.

The stage was now set for the dramatic final event, the seven point 400-Yard Freestyle Relay. The team that captured this event would also claim the meet. The relay was close until the final leg. It was here that Notre Dame captain Jim Kane, with a sensational swimming performance, sealed the victory as Notre Dame set a Rockne Pool record with a time of 3:16.1.

In all, five Rockne Pool records were broken, four of which were by the Irish. In addition to the three relay records, Notre Dame's Bob Wardell set a record in the 200-Yard Breaststroke (2:19) and Oakland's All-American Paul Karas was a record breaker in the 200-Yard Freestyle with a time of 1:45.5.

Coach Dennis Stark takes his undefeated tankers to Peoria, Ill. to face Bradley University this Saturday at 4:00 p.m.

Women's swimming set

An organized group of Notre Dame women interested in swimming met for the first time Monday night, January 20th in the Rockne memorial.

Twenty-seven women attended the meeting and expressed interest in competitive speed swimming, synchronized swimming, and diving. Others came just for the enjoyment and exercise.

Regular coached lessons will be held every Monday and Wednesday evening from 7 to 8, except for days of men's swim meets. In

addition, the Rockne Memorial will be open to womenswimmers on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 8 to 9.

Astrid Hotvedt, physical education instructor and coach for the group, hopes to have Notre Dame representatives in some women's swim meets, but said final details on this are not available.

All interest groups are still welcome and can contact Hotvedt at the weekly meetings or by calling her at 6222.

The Irish Eye

Women's hoops

A week from today Notre Dame's basketball team opens its 1975 schedule with an away game against the Spartans of Michigan State.

This should come as quite a surprise to Digger Phelps who'll swear that his squad has been in action for the better part of two months. But the "other" Irish basketball team is the women's version and this will be their first year of competition.

The women's basketball team attained club status this year mainly through the efforts of Sally Smith and Mary Clemency last spring. Both girls corresponded with Dominic (Nappy) Napolitano during the summer and managed to get things partly organized. This fall Clemency "found" graduate student Jeanne Earley to coach and Nappy managed to get the team \$700.

"As far as cooperation from the Athletic Department is concerned they've all been great to us," said Earley, who received her undergraduate degree in Physical Education from Indiana University. "Rich O'Leary (Director of Club Sports) has just been super. They've helped us very much."

"We've tried to help the women as far as getting equipment, setting up times they could use the main arena, and any organizational advice they may need," said O'Leary. "I think it's a real good thing for all the women involved."

There are fifteen girls on the women's team, enough for a varsity and junior varsity squad. "Sixty girls tried out for the team," added Earley, "and we'd have liked to take more. But with our budget we decided that we ought to limit the number to fifteen."

The women open at State and then play the University of Toledo on February 1, cross-road rivals St. Mary's on Feb. 6, Ball State on Feb. 8, and Kalamazoo on Feb. 13 before travelling to Louis University in Illinois Feb. 15 and Lorain County College in Ohio on Feb. 20. The girls close their season with a rematch against St. Mary's on Feb. 22.

"I did most of the scheduling myself," said Earley. "I just kept writing different schools over the summer. It was kind of difficult at first since most of the schools already had their schedules made up. Next year I hope to get the team into the regional tournament, but right now, things are turning out a lot better than I had expected."

The girls practice five days a week on the Convo floor after Digger's squad is finished and although most of the girls played high school basketball none has ever experienced college competition which, in the midwest, is high-calibre.

"Everybody's pretty excited about it," said Clemency, who along with sophomore Patty Coogan captains the team. "I think that there's enough enthusiasm so that it'll continue."

The enthusiasm could very well generate to the 10,000 or so fans who regularly pack the ACC to watch Digger's varsity. The women's first home game is scheduled for right before the Xavier contest, and the Feb. 8 meeting with Ball State is slated for immediately after the South Carolina game.

"I think things are moving pretty fast with girls sports," added Earley. "I'm pretty pleased with it."

"Here at Notre Dame they've given us the same treatment as they would give a guy's club sport. They've made us a club sport until we can prove that the interest is there. That's more than fair since that's the way it is with the guys."

And who knows, someday they might even upset UCLA.

Greg Corgan