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Glendon 'honored' to address ND graduates

Principal speaker compared to USN&WR peers

By GWENDOLYN NORGLÉ
Assistant News Editor

Chosen as the keynote speaker at Notre Dame's 151st Commencement exercises, Harvard law professor Mary Ann Glendon says she is honored and excited to address the class of 1996, their teachers and their families.

But although their graduation speaker is an esteemed lecturer, writer and advocate of social reform, many Notre Dame students were surprised by the announcement of Glendon as speaker. Some students expected President Bill Clinton to be the speaker this year, considering that in the past Notre Dame has had the incumbent president speak at the University in a presidential election year: Carter in '80, Reagan in '88, and Bush in '92.

"I am enormously honored," Glendon said of the University's invitation to have her as the commencement speaker. A friend of Notre Dame's President Emeritus Father Theodore Hesburgh, a colleague of the faculty and an admirer of the students, Glendon, who has



The Observer File Photo
President Bush was the keynote speaker for Notre Dame's 1992 commencement exercises.

strong ties to the Catholic Church said she was "so awed by the honor" to speak at Notre Dame.

In accepting an appointment by Pope John Paul II to lead a 22-member team to the United Nations' Fourth World Conference on Women last September in Beijing, Glendon became the first woman to lead a Vatican delegation to a major world conference.

An experienced lecturer, Glendon has given numerous commencement addresses at law schools and universities around the country, including Brigham Young University, where she spoke in front of

University of Notre Dame Commencement Speakers

1992 - George Bush
President of the U.S.
1993 - Tom Brokaw
Network Journalist
1994 - Albert Reynolds
Prime Minister of Ireland
1995 - Condoleezza Rice
Provost at Stanford
1996 - Mary Ann Glendon
Harvard Law Professor

25,000 people, her largest audience thus far.

Though a veteran of commencement addresses, Glendon said she is looking forward to speaking at Notre Dame, partic-

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Top 20 Universities and their Commencement Speakers

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| 1. Harvard | Vaclav Havel President, Czech Rep. | Undetermined |
| 2. Princeton | University President | University President |
| 3. Yale | Kurt Schmoke Mayor of Baltimore | Henry Winkler Actor, Director |
| 4. Stanford | William Perry Secretary of Defense | Mae Jemison First Black Woman Astronaut |
| 5. MIT | Hanna Gray Former Pres. U. of Chi. | Undetermined |
| 6. Duke | David Gergen Political Analyst | Jane Alexander Actress |
| 7. Cal. Tech. | Gordon Moore CEO of Intel | Robert Inman Navy Admiral |
| 8. Dartmouth | Bill Clinton Pres. of U.S. | Undetermined |
| 9. Brown | Shimon Peres Israeli Prime Minister | Undetermined |
| 10. Johns Hopkins | George Bush former pres. of U.S. | Barbara McCloskey U.S. Senator |
| 11. Univ. of Chicago | Kenneth Polonsky Professor of Medicine | Ted Koppel Nightline Anchor |
| 12. Univ. of Penn. | Jane Alexander Actress | Cass Sunstein Professor of Law |
| 13. Cornell | University President | Tom Brokaw NBC Anchor |
| 14. Northwestern | Henry Bienen University President | University President |
| 15. Columbia | University President | Undetermined |
| 16. Rice | Bill Bradley U.S. Senator | Undetermined |
| 17. Emory | Henry Louis Gates Harvard Professor | Undetermined |
| 18. Notre Dame | Condoleezza Rice Stanford Provost | Mary Ann Glendon Harvard Law Professor |
| 19. Univ. of Virginia | Unavailable | Unavailable |
| 20. Washington | John Danforth Retired Senator | Undetermined |

source: US News and World Reports

ND faculty probes infallibility

By MATTHEW LOUGHRAN
News Writer

Nowhere is the office of Pope listed among the officials of the Vatican, nor is the doctrine of infallibility listed among the job descriptions of any of those officials.

With this point, Father Thomas O'Meara, William K. Warren chair in theology, opened a controversial discussion last night about infallibility, papal authority and the ordination of women.

The discussion, which was sponsored by the Committee on Notre Dame's Position on the Ordination of Women, Student Advocates for Inclusive Ministry, and the Department of Theology, was so heavily attended that it had to be moved from the Hesburgh Library Lounge to the adjacent auditorium.

O'Meara focused his speech on the office of the pope and the structure of the Vatican. "In many ways he is an administrator," O'Meara said, "making decisions about such things as what color a room should be, and should in no way be considered infallible."

O'Meara indicated that many of the major decisions on theological questions are made by congregations. These congregations issue their own documents that are sometimes unseen by the pope. "The pope is Bishop of Rome," O'Meara said. "His power to teach and define Catholicism outside of his diocese comes mainly from tradition."

Father Richard McBrien, pro-



The Observer/Katie Kroener
Father Thomas O'Meara (above), Father Richard McBrien and Catherine Hilkert last night debated several issues facing the Vatican, including infallibility, papal authority and the ordination of women.

fessor of theology and Crowley O'Brien-Walter chair, added that the pope is not always infallible. "The first Vatican conference set up the three classic conditions under which the pope may be infallible," said McBrien. "The first is that he must be speaking formally as the earthly head of the church. Second, the issue must be one in the realm of faith or morals. Finally, he must clearly intend to bind the entire church by the proclamation."

McBrien said that infallibility is a "negative gift from the Holy Spirit, given to the entire church." "Infallibility," he explained, "only guarantees that a teaching is not wrong. It may not say much or even say it well."

He added that there are two other ways that a teaching may be infallible. "The first," he said, "is an exercise of the Or-

dinary Universal Magisterium of the entire college of bishops. The second is a consensus of the faithful."

Catherine Hilkert, visiting associate professor of theology, used these criteria in her speech, which dealt with recent statements by the Congregation on the Doctrine of Faith on the possibility of the ordination of women.

"The Congregation," said Hilkert, "in answer to recent doubts about [the Apostolic letter released by the pope on female ordination in April 1994], reaffirmed the decision and claimed it to be the universal tradition of the Catholic Church, and therefore infallible."

"The universality of the consensus is in question here," she said, "there is a great doubt that all of the college of bishops

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SMC play explores cultural diversity

Senior urges understanding, open minds

By LAURA SMITH
Assistant Saint Mary's Editor

Imagine being surrounded every single day by people who did not look like you and did not understand you. This is reality for the African-American students at Saint Mary's College, who make up only one percent of the Saint Mary's student body.

Being one of this minority group is what prompted Saint Mary's Senior Alia Paige to write a play about the feelings and concerns of African-American students at Saint Mary's College. Paige's play "A Place At The Table" was performed by members of The Sisters of Nefertiti Monday night as part of The Spirit of Blackness Week at Saint Mary's.

"The focus of the play is a lack of understanding of other cultures," according to Paige. "I believe we can bridge the gap by understanding each other. This can solve problems, not only in the Saint Mary's community, but in society as a whole."

"I thought the play was great," said Saint Mary's Junior Bronwyn McAuliffe. "It really opened my eyes to

the way things are on our campus. We need to be more educated and open-minded. The best way we can do that is to attend multi-cultural events on our own campus."

"I was pleased with the play and its outcome," said Erica Williams, an African-American student at Saint Mary's and a junior member of the Sisters of Nefertiti. "The people who came to the play were open and ready to learn. We had a great discussion following the play."

Some of the issues that were brought out in the discussion included the subtle racism on campus and the unwelcome feelings many black students at Saint Mary's experience.

"Recently, a professor told me that some girls in the Education Department were complaining because education majors are taught from a multi-cultural perspective," said Williams. "This really hurts me because I am an educator. You cannot call yourself an educator if you are unwilling to learn." "The women who complained will be doing the children in their classrooms a grave injustice. It is wrong to be unwilling to learn other people's cultures in a multi-cultural world."

"It makes us feel unwelcome at Saint Mary's when our culture is not represented

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■ INSIDE COLUMN

Highlights in March

Around South Bend, where winter seems to run right into summer—and vice-versa—with little transition, these early months of the calendar year tend to get jumbled together. If it weren't for bank statements and credit card bills, many of us probably would not notice the changing months during the spring semester at Notre Dame. But the end of February is upon us—with Leap Day less than a day away—and March is ready to play its part in the calendar year.

With the glaringly obvious exception of spring break, there are several reasons to celebrate in the coming month. Back in kindergarten, we were taught that "March comes in like a lion and goes out like a lamb." In South Bend it comes in like a smelly wet dog and goes out like, well, a smelly wet dog. Since there is no climate change to get all giddy about, here are just a few observances throughout the month to look forward to. (Saint Patrick's Day is not included because everyone knows it's coming, though few will remember it when it has passed....)

March 2, 1962—Wilt Chamberlain scores an NBA record 100 points in a single basketball game. He then celebrated by scoring with 100 different women before his next game.

March 3, 1959—A Harvard student by the name of Lothrop Withington, Jr. (really) becomes the first American to swallow a goldfish. He presumably became the first American to, um, pass a goldfish as well.

March 9, 1981—The Department of Agriculture declares ketchup a vegetable. However, no organization has attempted to classify a hot dog by restricting it to a single category. "Food" is stretching it as it is.

March 10, 1967—The first official documented octuplets are born in Mexico. She could have been an episode of "ER" herself.

March 14, 1860—The baseball cap is invented. Of course, back then they understood the purpose of the bill was to keep the sun out of their eyes.

March 15, a long, long time ago—The Ides of March. Brutus kills Caesar and high school students are condemned to read about it for centuries to come.

March 16, 1944—My dad, Joseph, is born. As a result, you have this column. He was the most famous person to come out of South River, New Jersey, until that Theismann guy came along.

March 20, 1980—The first "official" Elvis Presley sighting in Butte, Montana. There's no word on whether or not John F. Kennedy, Adolph Hitler, or Marilyn Monroe were with him.

March 22, 1990—New Kids on the Block and Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles doll sales top \$1.8 billion. Seeing "NKOTB" in the same sentence as "sales" and "\$1.8 billion" is a real reason to fear for the future of our country.

March 30, 1945—Eric Clapton is born. Within thirty years, no one could ever look at someone with the name "Layla" the same way again.

Hopefully these anniversaries will help get you through the harsh month of March, which is followed by the wet month of April, which is followed by finals. But don't kid yourself: it won't go by that fast. It'll go faster.

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

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■ WORLD AT A GLANCE

Nine die in devastating pile-up on European freeway

BRUSSELS, Belgium
In the second massive pileup in Europe in two weeks, at least nine people were killed and over 60 injured Tuesday after 120 trucks and cars crashed in thick fog on a busy freeway.

For several hours after the accident, rescue workers frantically probed through the charred, soot-covered wrecks seeking survivors.

Mangled vehicles were spread out at all angles for a mile along the blocked highway near the northern city of Ghent.

"It's a catastrophe the likes of which we have never seen," said Herman Balthazar, the governor of East Flanders province.

The mid-morning accident occurred on the E-17 freeway at Eke-Nazareth outside Ghent, 35 miles northwest of Brussels. It apparently started when a truck slammed into a car, blocking the road in the thick fog.

It was one of Belgium's worst road accidents ever, and officials said an increase of heavy truck traffic on the highway was a contributing factor.

"A great many big trucks were involved in the acci-



dent, and it made the catastrophe much worse," Flanders State Secretary for security Jan Peters told BRTN radio.

A roaring gas-fueled blaze ignited after the pile-up, hampering rescue efforts.

Authorities at first said 15 were killed, but later lowered the death toll to nine.

"It was clear weather until we hit a wall of fog. It looked like the end of the world," survivor Danny Ameye told BRTN. "The worst was the sudden fire. Because of it, all help came too late."

Firefighters from six towns headed for the scene and medical services in the region were put on emergency alert.

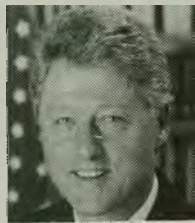
Fog is frequent at this time of year on the damp, flat lands of Flanders.

In a separate chain collision Tuesday, at least a dozen more people were injured in a 100-car pileup on the busy highway between Lille, France and Ghent.

Eleven people were killed Feb. 12 in a chain-reaction crash involving 300 vehicles in northern Italy.

Clinton clamps down on Castro

WASHINGTON



Under attack from critics who say the United States isn't getting tough enough with Cuba, the Clinton administration today defended its response to the downing of two unarmed U.S. civilian planes off the Cuban coast. "We took additional measures yesterday which are effective and will increase the pressure on Castro's government," said Undersecretary of State Peter Tarnoff in an interview with CBS. "It's exactly what's warranted at this time." President Clinton announced a series of actions Monday designed to retaliate against Fidel Castro's government for the incident Saturday over the Florida Straits that left four occupants of the planes missing and presumed dead. Another plane from the Cuban-American exile group Brothers to the Rescue escaped Cuban MiGs and returned safely to the United States. Congressional Republicans said Clinton's actions are welcomed but don't go far enough.

Imprisoned U.S. Marine released

LEAVENWORTH, Kan.

Former Sgt. Clayton Lonetree, the only U.S. Marine ever convicted of espionage, was released from prison today after serving nearly a decade. Lonetree, 34, was driven in a closed van from the U.S. Disciplinary Barracks. After a stop at the drive-up window of a nearby bank, he got into a car with an unidentified man and was whisked away without responding to shouted questions from reporters. A woman believed to be Lonetree's mother stood outside the van while the banking transaction was completed. Asked by reporters for a comment, she said, "My son is a victim of Ronald Reagan's cold war." Lonetree, who is from St. Paul, Minn., was stationed at the U.S. embassy in Moscow in the early 1980s when he met and fell in love with a Ukrainian woman who worked as a translator in the embassy. She introduced him to a Soviet agent, known only to him as Uncle Sasha. At his 1987 court-martial, Lonetree confessed to supplying blueprints of the embassy building.

Court charges bishop with heresy

WILMINGTON, Del.

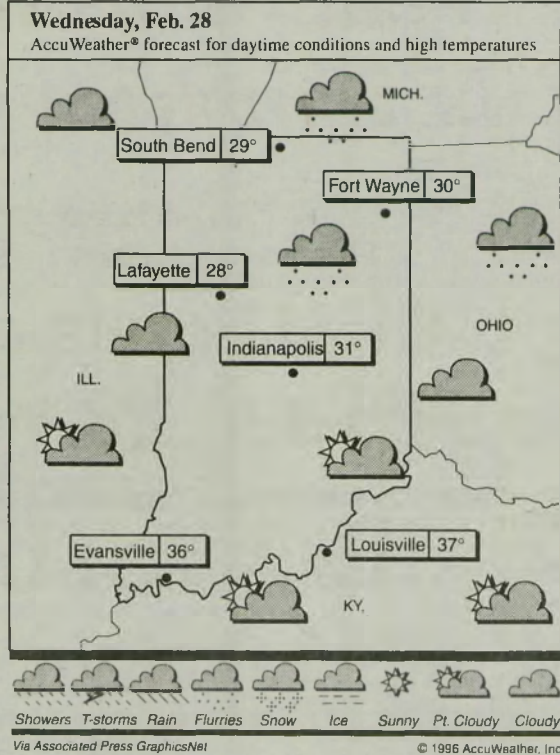
A nine-bishop Episcopal Church court was urged to put a stop to "lone rangers" among its clergy Tuesday by making a bishop stand trial for heresy for ordaining a gay man. "This case is about order and the need for order in this church," said A. Hugo Blankenship Jr., a lawyer for the 76 bishops who brought the charge. The court is expected to decide this week whether Walter Righter should stand trial in May. Righter is only the second Episcopal bishop to face a charge of heresy in the U.S. church's 206-year history. If found guilty, he would no longer be able to perform priestly duties. In 1990, while Righter was assistant bishop in Newark, N.J., he ordained Barry Stopfel as a deacon. Stopfel has since been ordained a priest by another bishop; Righter, 72, is retired and lives in Alstead, N.H. The church allows the ordination of married heterosexuals, celibate single heterosexuals and celibate homosexuals. Righter knew Stopfel was a non-celibate gay man. Blankenship said the heresy charge was a last resort made necessary because this issue is tearing the church apart.

Vietnamese palace gets face lift

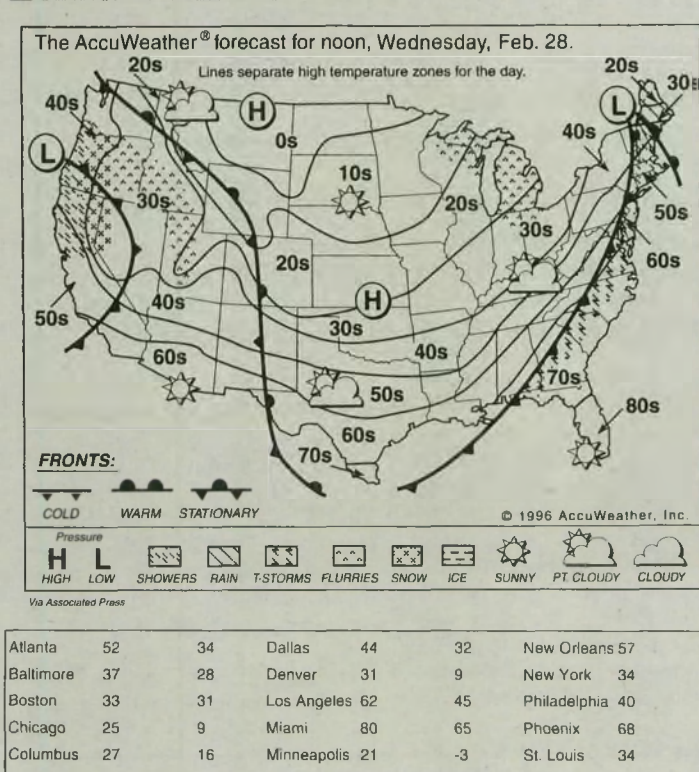
HANOI, Vietnam

The imperial palace in Hue, a lavish home for emperors reduced to rubble by war, will regain its former glory under a \$70 million restoration plan announced by the Vietnamese government. Hue, a sleepy, coastal city 400 miles south of Hanoi, was the capital of Vietnam's last dynasty, the Nguyen. They reigned from 1802 until 1955, when a referendum sent Emperor Bao Dai into exile in France. The dynasty's founder, Emperor Gia Long, modeled his palace on the imperial palace in Beijing, creating a walled expanse with more than 100 buildings in the classical Chinese style. During the 1968 Tet offensive, North Vietnamese forces seized Hue for 24 days and dug in at the palace. South Vietnamese and U.S. forces drove them out with grenades and hand-to-hand combat, leaving the palace in ruins. The U.N. Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization placed the Hue palace on its list of world cultural heritage sites worthy of preservation.

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Series spotlights friendship

By MAUREEN HURLEY
Saint Mary's News Editor
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News Writer

Taking a new spin, as it integrates lectures with discussions throughout the residence halls through a program co-sponsored by the Center for Spirituality and Campus Ministry, the Lenten lecture series, "Friendship as Holiness," opens at Saint Mary's College this afternoon.

"This is a new adventure—we are unsure of how these will be received," said Judy Fean, director of Campus Ministry.

According to Fean, there have been group discussions in the residence halls dealing with

how students view friendship, leading up to the weekly series, opening today.

"The series is meant to be the occasion for conversation about the values and sacredness of friendship," said Religious Studies Chair Keith Egan, who is the series coordinator and this afternoon's speaker.

"Friendship is often lost in today's society. People are so busy that we don't take the time to develop relationships," said Egan, who describes friendships as "religious experiences."

Immediately following the Wednesday lectures, the presenters will be available for discussion in residence halls. Students can sign up for these lun-

cheons at the halls' front desks.

"The luncheons provide students with the ability to discuss the topics more in depth," said Egan.

Students view the lecture series topic as relevant to the campus. "Friends are important because they're our family at school," said Regina Hall sophomore Angela Ginex. "There are strong bonds here because of the school's size."

This afternoon's presentation, "Friendship: A Sacred Tradition," will take place at 12:15 p.m. in the Stapleton Lounge. The luncheon will follow at 1 p.m. in the McCandless Hall lounge.

The series runs every Wednesday through April 4.

Keys: Papal UN address joins morality, politics

By GREG BURLIN
News Writer

In his October 5 address to the United Nations, Pope John Paul II attempted to synthesize the best in political traditions while combining contemporary sensibility with classical grounding, said Professor Mary Keys, who commented last night on the pope's speech, in which he called for a "common effort to build a universal civilization of love."

Keys began with a summary of the pope's speech, in which he called for an awareness of today's present political situation in terms of morality and

the need to begin relations from a common foundation or "common moral core." He stressed the "respect for difference" and the "fundamental right to exist as a nation." John Paul II described the role of the United Nations as one of "transcendence" and that of the "true moral center of a family of nations," as Keys stated.

Keys' commentary highlighted parts of the speech and stressed the connection between this address of the pope and previous works that he has written, specifically the encyclical "Splendor of Truth" and the recent book "Crossing the Threshold of Hope."

Keys noted that in "Splendor of Truth," John Paul II points out the need "to begin from some common basic premises," just as he does in his speech to the United Nations.

Keys also focused on the argument about culture. Today, many people say that only people within a culture can understand it, but the pope takes a different stance. The pope says that not all cultures are essentially equal, but that the individual rights of nations should be respected and observed provided they are not infringing on the right of any other nation, according to Keys.

Despite the present state of the United Nations and the world, John Paul II is still optimistic about the future. With a change of heart, the pope believes that the future can be significantly better, Keys said.

To illuminate the optimism of the pope, Keys quoted from "Crossing the Threshold of Hope" in which John Paul II states that "hope is ultimately grounded in hope in Christ." The ultimate solution to a better society, according to the pope, lies with "fear of God" and finding a "common moral core," she said.

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ularly to the class of 1996. Her speech, she said, will be appropriate for the occasion and for the audience. Having attended numerous commencements, both for her three daughters and as a faculty member, Glendon, an acclaimed writer, social critic and advocate of social reform, said she knows the importance of a personalized address.

"How often do you remember what a speaker has to say?" she asked. Not often, according to Glendon, who says her most important speaking rule is that the speech should be for the graduates and the parents, and that it should not be concerned merely with matters relevant only to the speaker.

Despite her sincere intentions and although her address may be well-received, Glendon faces the high expectations of a student body who was hoping for a president. A look at its peers' commencement speakers reveals the company Notre Dame's choice shares.

In recent years, Notre Dame commencement speakers have included network journalist Tom Brokaw in 1993, former prime minister of Ireland Albert Reynolds in 1994 and Stanford Provost Condoleezza Rice last year. But comparable institutions have fared just as well, or even better.

The following are the "Top 25 Best National Universities," according to a 1995 U.S. News and World Report survey. Their respective recent commencement speakers have been classified accordingly:

•Political leaders - Harvard University's (1) speaker last year was Vaclav Havel, president of the Czech Republic. Cal Tech's speaker this year is Robert Inman, Navy admiral and Secretary of Defense nominee. Dartmouth University (7 - tie) had President Bill Clinton

last year.

Although Brown University (9) asks elected student speakers to address their graduating class, the school invites speakers on the Saturday before graduation. Last year, Israeli Prime Minister Shimon Peres spoke at Brown.

At Johns Hopkins University's (10) general assembly address, Sadako Ogata, United Nations high commissioner for Refugees spoke. In an undergraduate ceremony at Johns Hopkins last year, former President George Bush addressed the graduating class. This year's speaker at the larger assembly at Johns Hopkins will be U.S. Senator from Maryland Barbara McColskey.

Last year, Rice University (16) invited former U.S. Senator from Missouri Bill Bradley to speak at its commencement ceremony.

•Academic leaders: Massachusetts Institute of Technology (5) had as its speaker Hanna Gray, former president of the University of Chicago. At Emory University (17), Henry Louis Gates, Jr., a Harvard University professor, spoke last year.

•Noted journalists: Last year,

Duke University (5) invited David Gergen, the political analyst who anchored the Gergen & Shields portion of the MacNeil/Lehrer News Hour. This year, Johns Hopkins invited "Nightline" anchor Ted Koppel to speak at its undergraduate ceremony.

This year's speaker at the University of Pennsylvania will be Tom Brokaw, noted journalist of the "NBC Nightly News."

•Entertainers: This year's speaker at Duke will be Jane Alexander, actress, producer and chair of the National Endowment for the Arts. Actor Jack Klugman spoke at Carnegie Mellon University (23) last year.

•Business professionals: California Institute of Technology (7 - tie) had Gordon Moore, the CEO of Intel, as its speaker last year.

•Alumni: During Yale University's (2 - tie) commencement last year Kurt Schmoke, mayor of Baltimore, a graduate spoke. This year's commencement speaker is actor, producer and director Henry Winkler, known for his charac-

ter "The Fonz" on television's "Happy Days." Winkler is a graduate of Yale Drama.

Stanford University (4) had as its 1995 commencement speaker William Perry, secretary of defense. This year's speaker will be Mae Jemison, the first black woman in space, who is also a medical doctor and engineer. Both Perry and Jemison are graduates of Stanford.

•A university's own: Some institutions of higher learning rely upon noted academic figures from within their own walls.

For example, Princeton University (2 - tie), Columbia University (15) and Cornell University (13 - tie) have always had their university presidents speak to their graduating classes. In recent years, the speakers have been George Rupp and Harold Shapiro, respectively.

At Vanderbilt University (22), the chancellor always speaks at the commencement ceremonies. Recently, the speaker has been Chancellor Joe Wyatt. "For more than 25 years, we've had no outside speakers," said Jean Moore, of the university's Public

Affairs Department. "The philosophy behind that decision is that commencement is a day for the graduates. We don't want the speaker to upstage the graduates. We want the focus on them."

The University of Chicago (11 - tie) also has a tradition of having commencement speakers come from within the university, according to Michael Clark of the University of Chicago's department of Special Events. "Since the '30s, we have almost exclusively had University of Chicago professors as convocation speakers," Clark said.

Among the top 25 universities in the nation, Georgetown University (21), which is ranked lower in the report than Notre Dame, has had a number of prestigious speakers address its graduating classes. In 1995, Juan and Sofia Carlos, the king and queen of Spain, spoke at a commencement ceremony for Georgetown's School of Foreign Service.

Associate News Editor Brad Prendergast contributed to this report.

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HALL PRESIDENTS' COUNCIL

McCarthy: Trustee reports need input

By DEBORAH SCHULTZ
News Writer

There can be a greater student voice heard by the Notre Dame Board of Trustees, according to Student Body Vice President Dennis McCarthy, who spoke at the Hall Presidents' Council meeting last night in Knott Hall.

This semester, student government would like to have more student input in its Board of Trustees report, which is submitted to the Board when it comes to campus for its regular meeting each semester.

"We would like to get a feel of what students' experiences have been, whether it is RAs concerned with the curriculum or Hispanic students with a certain concern," McCarthy said. "It doesn't necessarily have to be anything bad.

People might really like something, or hate something. We are hoping to get input from students across the campus."

Student government is speaking at organizations such as HPC because it is easiest, but all students, whether or not involved in groups, are invited to participate. An informational meeting will be held Thursday at 7 p.m. in the Notre Dame Room in LaFortune Student Center.

"After the meeting we will have an application process, and then we will pick an issue that we would like to work on. This is a great opportunity if you would like to voice a concern to a higher power, because the Board of Trustees are the final say in a lot," McCarthy added. "I'm not sure how this will work this year, but hopefully it will work well in the future. It is definitely

much better than simply handing the Board a fifteen page summary report."

In an effort to publicize the eating disorder committee that the Women's Resource Center has started, the Center's Kathleen McManus spoke at the meeting. The Center is hosting a seminar entitled "How to Help A Friend with an Eating Disorder."

"It is a really great program where we show videos and talk about the Notre Dame environment and how conducive it is to eating disorders. We have already hosted one at Pasquerilla East and we were very happy with the turnout," McManus said.

Anyone interested in organizing a seminar can call the Center to set one up, said McManus, who added that male dorms are especially invited to organize a seminar.

Faderman provides history of lesbianism

By DEREK BETCHER
News Writer

History confirms that women are capable of loving other women, according to Lillian Faderman, professor of English at California State University at Fresno.

In her lecture, "Naked Amazons and Queer Damosels," Faderman detailed the historical development of lesbian consciousness to a full audience in DeBartolo Tuesday evening. She also touched upon redefining lesbianism and the universality of lesbian love.

"I've been studying lesbian history for the past twenty years. I've worked with a passion because the time has been right to create what lesbians never had, a history," Faderman opened.

"It was clear to me from the

beginning that fiction and scholarship were always angled to reflect the ideologies of the dominant group. As I saw it, I was setting the record straight, or perhaps setting it unstraight," Faderman continued.

By scouring sixteenth, seventeenth and eighteenth century fiction, diaries, and letters, Faderman was able to find the background she was seeking.

"History confirms that women are capable of loving other women. I wanted to normalize and universalize this love by giving it a historical background," she explained.

Faderman went on to emphasize that homosexual intercourse was not a primary consideration for discerning lesbians, that only intensely intimate feelings or erotic behavior directed toward other women was essential.

These redefinitions entered 'romantic friendships' common to past eras into Faderman's history. Emily Dickinson, Jane Adams, Willa Cather, and Eleanor Roosevelt were lesbians, according to Faderman.

"We have a particular right to claim these American heroes for the young people in our community looking for role models," Faderman explained.

"The kind of history I wrote is what I would have liked to have read in 1956 when I came out. A history not just of odd girls and twilight lovers, but of a diverse, embattled, and brave community," Faderman added.

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in any way, shape, or form," added Paige. "College is not easy anywhere, but I couldn't honestly tell another African-American student to come to Saint Mary's where she would be in such a small minority."

Not all black students at Saint Mary's feel as strongly as Paige. "I don't present a negative view of Saint Mary's," said

Williams. "But I am honest. If they are interested in the education, I would encourage them because it is a quality education. But I would have to be honest about the obstacles we face as black women at Saint Mary's."

Another important issue discussed was the lack of African-American professors and administrators at Saint Mary's. "I have attended predominantly white, Catholic schools all my life," said Saint Mary's sophomore Ann Hermes. "It was only when I joined The Sisters of

Nefertiti and got to know the black women on campus, that I realized I have never had a black professor before."

"We should take a step in the right direction at Saint Mary's and hire a black professor. The African-American students need to see someone who looks like them and can be a role model for them," added Hermes.

Finally, the audience and the actresses discussed the steps which should be taken to increase understanding on the Saint Mary's campus.

"If there was an easy solution, it would have been implemented long ago," said Paige. "We need to increase education and dialogue between members of different cultures at Saint Mary's."

According to Hermes, "We are all women here. We share a common bond. It's not about black women and white women. It's about all of us working together as one."

"The answer is not to be color blind," said Paige. "If you don't see color, you don't see me. We need to recognize people for their differences, but not judge them by that difference."

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could have possibly been consulted on this issue." She indicated that there was, in fact, no evidence that a consensus had even been attempted.

Hilkert said that the problem of ordination of women was a relatively recent issue. "It is not whether the church erred in the past, but that new evidence has come about," she said. "There are precedents where the church has changed its teaching in the light of new data."

"There is no positive tradition against the ordination of women," O'Meara added. "There just isn't a lot of discussion about it. Any heretical groups that ordained women were attacked for other reasons altogether."

When asked what was behind the recent drive to exclude

women from the clergy, the panel offered three answers.

"The ethos of Western Christianity is the problem behind it," O'Meara said. "It has developed around a monastic male image which would all change if women were ordained. I could comprehend the end of the world, but I could not see the ethos of Western Christianity changing so drastically."

According to Hilkert the root problem was that of female sexuality. "There is a patriarchal bias here that needs to be named and faced," she said.

McBrien's opinion drew some gasps and some applause from the crowd. "If you look at the two religions which oppose women clergy there are two," he said, "Catholicism, which has a celibate clergy, and Orthodox Christianity, which has a celibate hierarchy." "End celibate clergy," he continued, "and [ordination of women] will cease to be an issue."

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Trinidad's diversity may cause strife

By DEREK BETCHER
News Writer

The United States has good cause to fear violent ethnic strife in its own backyard — conflict that could become as bitter as that which has recently plagued the Balkans or Rwanda. Citing the abrupt political transition in Trinidad's recent election, Professor Ralph Premdas spoke yesterday of the fear that the south Caribbean nation's delicate ethnic situation could easily fester into armed fighting.

"There has been a very significant election in Trinidad," Premdas, a professor at the University of the West Indies, said, elaborating, "This has implications involving not only Trinidad, but the larger canvas of the western world."

Premdas underlined the significance of Trinidad's potential problems by explaining, "As a threat to all, modern hate has

superceded nuclear war. Nearly all states in the world are polyethnic, and this cultural pluralism has allowed ethnic strife to emerge unchecked. We now have on our hands an ethnic nuclear explosion."

The island nation's notable petroleum reserves and key south Caribbean location give it strategic importance to the United States as well, Premdas added.

Despite these attributes, Trinidad's particularly diverse population and its abrupt post-electoral transition have made the island nation a prime target for social strife, Premdas explained.

Rising from former imperialistic demands for plantation labor, Trinidad's current population is an eclectic cultural mix dominated by large African and Indian sub-continental groups. Premdas also noted significant concentrations of residual Europeans, Chinese, Syrians, Lebanese and a distinct inter-

mixed group with its own identity.

"Add these together and you can see a deeply divided society. Separate residential clusters and occupational cleavages arose," Premdas said. "The African group dominated the urban, skilled, and civil service areas, while the Indians were confined to more rural occupations."

It is the recent unexpected displacement of the African group from decades of political control that has him worried, Premdas said.

"The Africans will have to relinquish their benefits. Their wariness of this, and even their fear of being returned to near-slavery complicates matters, especially because the army and police are largely staffed by the ousted group. Will they allow it, and will the new government be allowed to stabilize?" ask Premdas, focusing on the key uncertainties of the Trinidadian situation.

"While reason should propel us to share power, reason isn't what motivates people during crises. Trying to maintain neutral ground means getting shot at from both sides," Premdas said.

Many of these problems lie within the political system itself, according to Premdas.

"The existing electoral system is a provocation of the ethnic-cultural rift. The competitive electoral machinery installed years ago by the British makes political leaders exacerbate divisions between cultural groups," Premdas said, noting that Trinidad's parliament is divided by purely ethnic political parties.

ND grad: Brown case short on effectiveness

By MAUREEN HURLEY
Saint Mary's News Editor

Separate but equal was a legal myth, according to John Borkowski, a civil rights attorney and partner in the New Orleans law firm Hogan & Hartson who spoke yesterday on "Contemporary Legal Issues of Race In Public Education."

In the second of a six-part series entitled "Separate but Still Unequal: The Persistence of Racial Segregation in American Life," Borkowski spoke about his experiences litigating school desegregation cases, while citing historical examples that address the need to tackle the issue of equality in the public school systems.

"While Brown v. The Board of Education was the beginning of the end of apartheid, it resulted in neither the equality or integration of education," he said. "The promise of the Brown decision has not been fully realized in this country. That promise comes down to equality and quality in education, no matter what race, ethnicity or gender."

In the past 20 years, there has been a great deal of state court legislation to establish equality under state constitutions, according to Borkowski.

Currently, school districts face two major questions: how to get out of court order, and what to do once that is achieved. "This urgency is the way to attract attention to something that we should have paid attention to all along,"

According to Borkowski, the

late 1960's to early 1970's brought rise to the most dramatic progress in integration. However, despite those changes, problems still exist in school systems today.

"Predominately minority schools end up with the short end of the stick in terms of resources and facilities constantly, affecting the results of student achievement," Borkowski said.

In addition to promoting "genuine equality in education," Borkowski said, "as our country becomes more diverse, there is an intrinsic benefit of children learning together and being exposed to different ethnic and racial backgrounds."

"It is important that we recognize the value of diversity, and promote it in our schools."

Borkowski said he remains optimistic for the future. "I have incredible hope, and reason to believe that we can achieve equal opportunity for all students," he said. "With courts stepping out of the arena, it is up to us to make sure this promise is revealed."

Borkowski graduated from Notre Dame in 1984 and received his law degree from Northwestern University.

The 1996 Henkels Visiting Scholar Series, commemorating the centennial of the landmark Plessy v. Ferguson case, will continue when Douglas Massey, Professor of Sociology at the University of Pennsylvania, will speak on "America's Housing Apartheid Past, Present, and Future" on March 19 at 4:15 p.m. in the Center for Social Concerns.

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■ IN MY NEIGHBORHOOD

Generation X: The dead generation?

I wonder sometimes if our student body is a bit too apathetic. I wonder if we really care about what goes on at this campus, especially the administrative decisions that affect our well-being, and our rights. It's funny how at Notre Dame, activism is expressed as writing a letter to the editor or asking the officers of this University to maybe, if they had the time, listen to a suggestion we have, if it wouldn't be too much trouble.

Christiane Likely

Are we a dead generation like the media likes to label us? The non-opinionated, non-progressive, apathetic mob of Internet-addicted morons? Sometimes, I tend to think so, but I would hope not. I spent my weekend talking, learning, laughing, and reflecting with a true revolutionary, Kathleen Neal Cleaver. Cleaver is the ex-wife of Eldridge Cleaver, a former leader of the Black Panther Party for Self Defense, but a leader in her own right. I must say that I was thoroughly impressed by what she had to say, and more importantly how she said it. Now, I have met a lot of Black leaders, from Khalid Muhammed to Jesse Jackson, from Kwame Ture (Stokely Carmichael) to Kazembe Adisa, and she alone has spoken so true and clear to me that not only did I spend the whole weekend questioning myself, but also my path and choices in life.

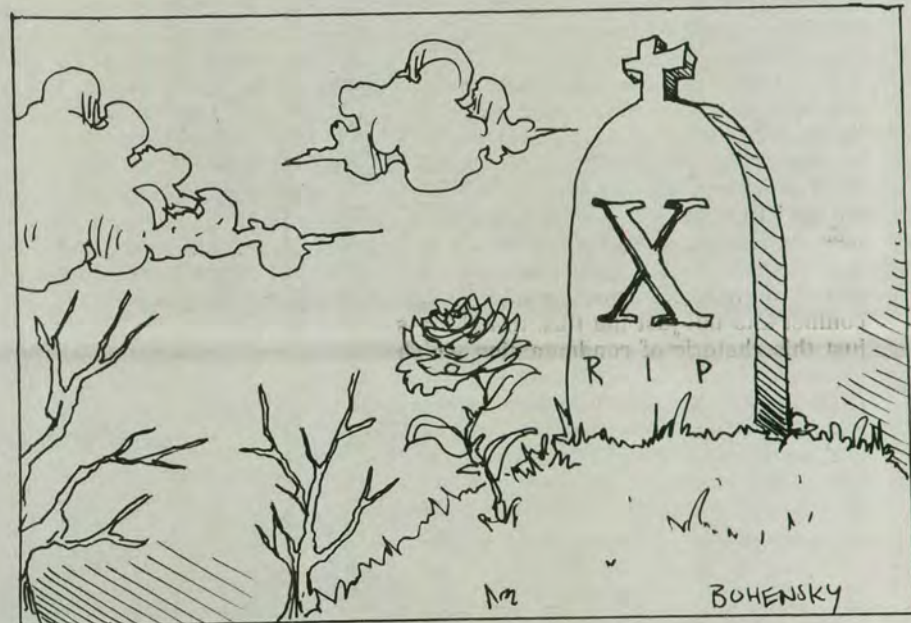
Not to disregard all the numerous things she told me, there is one overwhelming matter that she told me that I will never in my life forget. She talked about choices. If we choose not to take

a stand on any issue, if we choose to be passive, if we choose to not choose, then be assured that someone is making that choice for us.

If I choose to live out my short time here at Notre Dame, knowing very well that there are a lot of things that I don't like and don't do a darn thing about it, then I choose to let the powers that be at this University decide what happens to me. Needless to say, I don't like that. I don't like how the student organizations, specifically pertaining to office space, are handled. There is hardly any office space for the more prominent organizations. We all know that Flanner and Grace are being evacuated to provide more office space for University departments and administrators, but I haven't heard much of anything in regards to office space for student organization and we are the ones who do a lot for the students directly.

I am speaking specifically for the office maintained by the African American Student Alliance (AASA), the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP), and the Black Cultural Arts Festival (BCAF). These three organizations share a little ole office on the second floor of LaFortune and it isn't even big enough for one person to function, let alone the twelve officers of the three organizations. This is unacceptable, even more so because we are in risk of losing our office for various reasons that are still unclear. And Student Activities hasn't really addressed this issue for us. Needless to say I feel strongly about this because we as a student body haven't been very active, and we haven't demanded anything more substantial than free football tickets. The administrative powers aren't going to take us seriously, but I think I have shown that when you are outspoken, and when you can stand on your own two feet, say what you feel, and demand what is right and just, people will take you seriously.

Student Activities, and God knows who



else wants to put all the ethnic organizations, numbering close to fifteen, in one office, not even larger than a quad in most dorms. That is not even enough room for each organization to have a desk, let alone computers, file cabinets, book shelves, etc. And private meeting space will be non-existent.

I'm not going to lie and please don't be mistaken, I'm down for me and mine, and I will defend and fight for mine til there is no need. "By any means necessary" like Brother Malcolm said. Call me a militant, call me a radical, call me ignorant, hateful, mean, or a racist, but don't call me nonresistant. I am a frustrated young Black woman, and like Gwendolyn Brooks said "Black with a capital 'B'." I will no longer be frustrated when I no longer have to struggle and fight. I will no longer be a Black woman, when I no longer exist. You see, I believe in Revolution (with a capital R), therefore I'm dangerous. I'm dangerous in the sense that I am con-

sumed with the affairs of Black people in America, and that is what is important now. People's greatest fault is when they underestimate the power of frustration. Huey P. Newton once said in "In Defense of Self Defense" that "We have been brainwashed to believe that we are powerless and that there is nothing we can do for ourselves." We do not understand the power in our numbers. I do.

In her lecture Sunday night in Washington Hall, Kathleen Cleaver said that she hoped we weren't dead. Dead in spirit. Dead in mind. Dead in heart. The price for being an activist or for being outspoken is high. It means you will be scorned, and targeted. It means you will be marginalized, but if you strongly believe in what is right and what is just then there are no real regrets.

Cristiane J. Likely is a senior in Pasquerilla West.

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GARRY TRUDEAU

■ QUOTE OF THE DAY

"It seems as if the Department Of Justice sees the value of the Bill of Rights as no more than obstacles to be overcome."

—Prof. Sanford H. Kadish

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Gripping about London Program clouds issues behind IRA bombings

Dear Editor:

In her recent Observer column (Vol. XXVII, No. 94), Liz Foran makes what I take to be two very serious errors in her discussion of the recent IRA ceasefire and the two explosions in London.

First, she makes an argument of the following sort. The resumption of the use of force in the IRA's attempt to secure its political desires is bad because it jeopardizes the safety of ND students who are participating in the London Program. Now it is clear that when we are dealing with any question concerning the moral justification of the use of force in political disputes the issue of the loss of life looms large. Indeed, a pacifist will claim that it looms so large as to trump any other consideration. This seems to be Foran's view as well since she claims that "violence is never rational." But as such a position does not seem to enable one to give a moral justification of the use of violence in WWII, the American Revolution, or even in personal self-defense, it would seem to be a difficult position to defend.

Supposing that it is defensible, however, we still have the problem with Foran's argument that it makes no difference to her point that the renewed violence might affect ND students. It is not the fact that London becomes a place of danger for ND students in the London program that makes the IRA bombing campaign morally suspect, but the fact that it endangers anyone's life whatsoever.

But then we must wonder what Foran's article is about after all. And if we extend this reasoning to Northern Ireland, where violence has been part of daily life from 1969 up to less than 18 months ago, then we find that the 1350 deaths that have been caused by British soldiers and Pro-Loyalist paramilitary groups should cause one to roundly condemn all sides of this conflict and not just the IRA. In fact, it is just this rhetoric of condemnation which seems to be blocking the prospect of peace as one side (John Major) seems to want the other side to make complete and unequivocal concessions before any open talks can begin. Imagine how such an attitude would have impeded the his-

toric peace process in Israel?

The second mistake Foran makes is in concluding (presupposing?) that the goal of the IRA bombing campaign is to inflict the most amount of damage possible. This is what I take her to mean by "The question of why the bomb was being carried in the entertainment center of the city can only lead to sinister speculations. . . were these the targets of this pointless violence?" But this conclusion does not seem to be explanatory of the actual behavior of the IRA in recent years. Indeed, with only a few exceptions and some pre-mature explosions, the IRA has provided very distinct warnings about where and when their bombs will explode. The London constabulary knew of the Canary bomb at least an hour in advance of its explosion.

If the IRA wanted to cause the most amount of carnage possible they would not give such warnings. It is more plausible to postulate that the IRA's motives for planting bombs in economic districts of London is to cause the least amount of carnage possible while yielding the greatest de-moralizing and economically debilitating effect. Indeed, this is consonant with what the IRA claims about its own use of force. Foran plays into their hands by pointing to the fear it causes in the hearts of those who travel to London. But the fear is unwarranted. As any good travel guide will point out that even Belfast, before the ceasefire, is safer than most of the big US cities. The number of people killed by the IRA since '69 would pale in comparison to the number of murders in NYC since '69.

Foran admits this fact; but then one must wonder why she is trivializing a very important and complicated issue with her gripping about how it will affect the London Program.

DENNIS POTTER

Graduate Student
Department of Philosophy

Congratulations on JPW success

Dear Editor:

Regis Holtzgrebe and her committee are to be commended for their dedication and hard work in making Junior Parent Weekend an unforgettable experience. As a junior parent and employee of this fine university, this past weekend will always be remembered for the feelings of rejuvenated love for my daughter which I believe is the spirit of JPW.

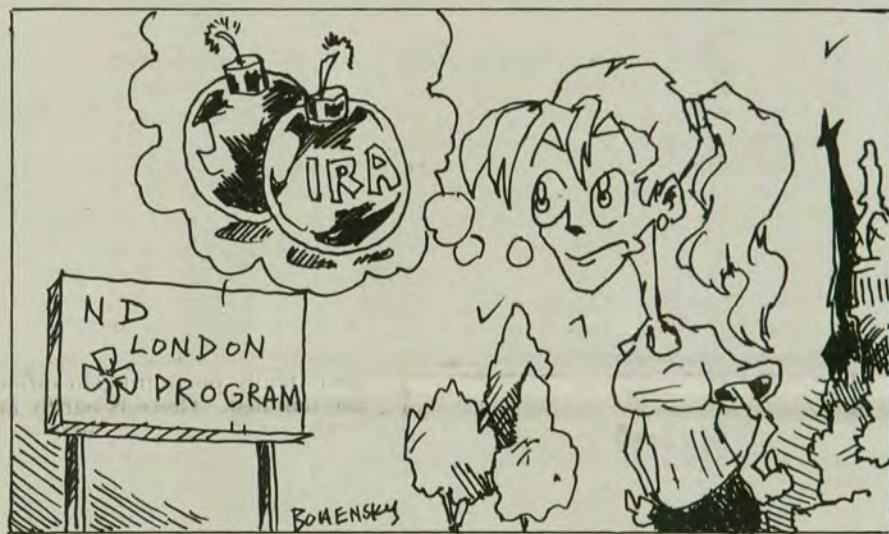
My husband and I were both moved by all the speeches, from Dean Keane of the Business College to Couch Lou Holtz of the football office. Our reception in DeBartolo with Professor Murphy was most enlightening. I'm sorry if we didn't feel the need to talk to her professors and ask, "Is she being a good girl in class?" And to be honest with you, I really don't want to spend a weekend being lectured on social concerns - been there, done that!

As a parent let me say that I don't believe that Junior Parent Weekend is a time to dwell on the past, discuss the social problems of this university, or in lay terms, turn it into a "bitch" session. We are all aware that this place is not a utopia, and it shares the same problems that most private, Catholic institutions share.

Congratulations Regis on a job well done. From a parent's point of view JPW was a complete success.

KAY HERRITY

Junior Parent
Football Office



Sounding off pro-life from feminist point of view

Dear Editor:

In the December 1995 issue of Common Sense, Ann Pettifer complains that "...pharmaceutical birth control is having to contend with propaganda being bruited about, most recently by women calling themselves 'Feminists for Life,' which portrays the pill as a threat to women's health. There is considerable deceit in this campaign, for it dodges the issue of the dangers pregnancy itself poses to women's health—the very real risk of mortality in many of the poor areas around the globe, not least in the United States."

We, the officers of Feminists for Life of ND/SMC, wish to explain our position. We have chosen to respond in the neutral forum of The Observer in the interests of time and because an article submitted by our president to Common Sense discussing feminist critiques of hormonal contraception, reproductive technologies, and abortion was rejected.

We are a campus chapter of Feminists for Life of America, an organization which advocates a "seamless garment" ethic opposed to abortion, euthanasia, and capital punishment. We also concern ourselves with other women's rights issues, such as child support enforcement, prevention of rape and domestic violence, and (the subject of our on-campus speaker) opposition to the punitive aspects of welfare reform.

Most women abort not out of "choice," but because they feel they have no choice—out of financial pressure, or lack of support from their sexual partners or families. We argue for radical social change, rather than the facile solution of abortion. We not only "call" ourselves feminists—we are feminists.

"the ultimate exploitation of women."

On Nov. 6, 1995, FFL sponsored a talk by Lisa Everett entitled "The Pill, Norplant, and Depo-Provera: What Every Woman Needs to Know." The speaker informed the audience of the abortifacient action of hormonal methods and IUDs. She also discussed their risks, from immediate side effects such as nausea, weight gain, and depression, to long-term pill risks such as heart attacks, strokes, and cancer of the breast and cervix. All these methods have been criticized by women's health activists, including many pro-choice feminists. This makes Pettifer's implied litmus test for true feminism—unqualified support for every method of artificial contraception—an odd one.

FFL of ND/SMC, like FFLA, opposes only those methods of family planning which are abortifacient, dangerous to women's health, and/or governmentally imposed. There are differences of opinion on contraception among pro-life feminists, as became evident in the discussion following Everett's talk. Some of us see barrier methods as a positive family planning option. Others support only natural methods, which are as effective as hormonal methods but do not treat normal fertility as a disease, and require the cooperation of both the man and the woman. In either case, we are well aware that hormonal contraception and pregnancy are not women's only reproductive options, which Pettifer implies in saying that questioning the safety of the pill "dodges the issue of the dangers pregnancy itself poses to women's health."

Natural family planning is, in fact, an ideal choice for Third World couples. Hormonal methods, whose risks necessitate close medical supervision, are especially dangerous for women whose overall health and access to medical care may be low. They also make breast feeding difficult, which endangers the health of infants

and toddlers in developing countries. NP, in contrast, strengthens both marriages and women's self-esteem, countering the macho tendencies rightly deplored by Pettifer. It is inexpensive and personally empowering to its practitioners.

Poor women abroad and in the United States are at the mercy less of their fertility, as Pettifer suggests, than of economic and political injustice. It is not pregnancy itself that endangers their health, but dangerous conditions produced by poverty, oppression, and sexism on the national and international levels. The root causes of these evils need to be addressed, allowing them to conceive and bear children safely when they wish. We do not oppose foreign aid; unlike Pettifer, we do criticize the common practice of its being withheld unless poor countries impose dangerous population control measures on their citizens.

Access to artificial methods of family planning is hardly a problem, since birth control providers concentrate on Third World countries (and on poor and minority women in the United States). Women's health activists in developing countries are more concerned about contraceptive research without informed consent, coercive sterilization campaigns, and health clinics which are overstocked with birth control drugs and devices to the detriment of vaccines and antibiotics. In joining their protests, we are not guilty of sentimentalizing motherhood, much less "contemptible callousness."

Those who wish to take part in dialogue about this and other women's issues can find more information about FFL at our meetings and on our web page, <http://www.nd.edu/~femlife> (or through ND home page, then Student Life, then Groups and Organizations). We can also be contacted at femlife@bach.helios.nd.edu.

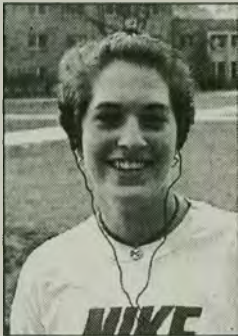
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■ ACCENT ASKS

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Dan Sullivan
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"Fiction."

Lynsey Miller
Sophomore, Pasquerilla East

"More features, like the SYR piece that was done last week."

Alysson Cook
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"90210 and Melrose synopses."

Shelly Hackett
Sophomore, Knott

"South Bend weather."

Erik Goldschmidt
Senior, Zahm



"Random, funny things about people."

Kathryn Schropp
Sophomore, LeMans

Accent Checks

Hanging out, zoning out, and sometimes even

By MARY BETH ELLIS
Saint Mary's Accent Editor

Face it: Dorm rooms were not made to be studied in. You've got the phone, your best friend in the entire galaxy sitting in the next loft over, and pictures of scantily clad members of the opposite sex on the walls. Not exactly an atmosphere conducive to cramming three chapters of poli sci into your head.

So you pack up highlighter and text and drag yourself to the library. And thanks to our friend the shuttle, Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students have access to two very different options. Architecturally and atmospherically polar places to be, it is fitting that the library offerings of both campuses are as distinct as the schools themselves.

Notre Dame's Theodore M. Hesburgh Library began as the "Memorial Library," its Word of Life mural distinguishing it as one of the most recognizable university athenaeums in the country. (Not every collegiate library in the nation boasts artwork that inspires the general public to cast the Son of God into the role of a referee, kids.) The Hesburgh Library houses 2.1 million volumes, 17,768 serials, 12,356 audio/visual items... and the offices of two very familiar-sounding priests.

Across the street is Saint Mary's Cushwa-Leighton Library, which bounced from Holy Cross Hall to LeMans Hall to Alumnae Centennial Library (which is now—surprise!—Haggar College Center) to its present modern art-ish location. Cushwa-Leighton, named for both an exceptionally dedicated Saint Mary's alumna and the founder of the Madeleva Society, offers students nearly 200,000 volumes and at least that many nooks and crannies to study in.

But the heritage of the buildings they're sitting—or lying, or slouching—in is probably the last thing on student's minds as they take care of the primary chore of college life. And true to their sibling nature, Saint Mary's and Notre Dame students refrain from segregating by school where study habits are concerned. On any given weeknight or Sunday afternoon, it's not unusual to find Belles cracking the books at their brother school or to stumble across Domers studying away at Saint Mary's.

The shoes-off comfortable Saint Mary's library, with its bright patterned carpets and open design, is so dependably quiet you can practically hear GPAs rising—even during the peak seasons of midterms and finals, when tables are at a premium. The silence is so deafening that students studying on the top floor can hear the occasional beep of the book scanner at the circulation desk some four flights of stairs away. Stocked with plush couch-



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Saint Mary's freshmen Maura O'Brien, Allison Schwab, and Karen Clark try to get work done on the second floor of Notre Dame's Hesburgh Library.

es, plenty of study carrels, a sun-amounts of elbow room, Saint Mary's happen to "I need QUIET!" stud-



SMC student Claire Barrett relaxes on the top floor of Saint Mary's Cushwa-Leighton Library.

where naps are frequent but not Saint Mary's senior Kimberly Baldinger this afternoon, an achingly rather than books. But midterms, "teraction," she says. Neither is just curled up with some marked accessible for Saint Mary's students done.

Hey—are those guys over there Baldinger and Dan Soenen, both Domers who cross the street to study time. "It's so quiet here," Baldinger says. "It's a lot easier to spread out."

Up on the top level, where the spectacular view of LeMans Cross is settled in a rocking chair, the Saint Mary's library," she says. "I like it because it's so airy and spacious."

Life's a bit more of a party in the lower level, where decibel level conversation. Here are the media mail/Internet computers and machines. Here is Cushwa-Leighton's famous second floor.

Ah, Floor 2 of Notre Dame's library. prepare not to attend to them. And the new chairs have made their

Comparing the Intricacies of the Two

Number of floors:

Entrance door style:

On-line catalogue:

Twizzlers available in vending machines?

Chair evaluation:

Cool sun deck?

Atmosphere on second floor:

Deceptively fun amusement park style turnstiles at entrance?

View from uppermost floor:

Elevator?

Elevator interior painted disturbing shade of neon green?

Potential for meeting decent SYR date:

Cushwa-Leighton

Weird

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Not Saturday

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Out the ND/SMC Libraries

men studying at Hesburgh and Cushwa-Leighton

deck, and huge tables that grant obscene
ry's library just might be the best thing to
ers since Vivarin. It's a nicely kept secret



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axes with some psychology homework on
shwa-Leighton Library.

encouraged.

Bero of LeMans is staked out on the first
warm Sunday that begs for rollerblades
ns call: "I'm not in here for social in-
nior Rose Maciejewski, a Holy Cross resi-
ting reading. "It's quiet and more easily
nts," she says. "You can really get work

? Welcome to our women's college. Mike
juniors from Grace, are just two of many
their sister school to put in some major
aldinger says. "The bigger tables make it

breath-snatching climb is made well worth
tower, freshman Claire Barrett of Holy
r. "You can find more personal space in
s, looking up from some psych homework.
unny."

the after-hours study lounge down on the
s can actually reach the level of normal
lia center, telephone bank, archives, e-
—try to control yourselves—vending
ton's whispered answer to Hesburgh's in-

rary. BYOB—bring your own books, and
sea of tasteful mauves and teals now that
grand appearance, this is LaFortune with-

out the Huddle, a dorm party minus the driving techno beat. Every hour is
social hour on the second floor, and plenty of students like it that way.

Nikole Rockwell, a sophomore from Farley, is working on some scary-
looking math with two friends, dormmate Tracy Raley and Robert Mercer
of St. Ed's. "It's great down here," Rockwell says. "If I go to the upper
floors, I'll fall asleep. The last time I went up there to get a book, I got tired
just walking around."

A triplet of Saint Mary's students have taken over a table just a few feet
from Rockwell and company. "I probably won't study," says freshman Al-
lison Schwab of LeMans, casting a slightly guilty glance at her organic
chemistry book. "We'll most likely just chit chat."

"The atmosphere is conducive to talking and socializing," adds Maura,
also a freshman in LeMans. "But it does help to study over here, because
you know that you can't just take the tunnels back to the dorm to take a
nap or watch some TV. You're pretty much stuck, so you might as well get
some work done."

The elevators outside are always busy, constantly ferrying students to the
stacks within the Hesburgh library's massive tower. Away from the din of
the second floor, some pretty serious work goes on "upstairs"; here, grad
students, profs, and undergrad research and highlight side by side. Carrels
are scattered in the narrow rows amongst stack after stack of books. The
knowledge in the place is overwhelming.

It's a stomach-dropping ride to the thirteenth floor, where student can
study just a few feet from the offices of Father Edmund Joyce— and Father
Theodore Hesburgh himself. Up here not even the cramped plainness of
the windows can detract from the viewbook glimpses of Notre Dame going
about her business some thirteen stories below. In the window before one
shelf of a table, the stadium fills the narrow panes, silent save for the con-
struction materials swarming about the first white row of expansion
bleachers. The view a few steps from here gives way to LaFortune,
Stonehenge, and the delicate beauty of Sacred Heart.

Both downstairs and across the street, the men and women of the Notre
Dame-Saint Mary's community are taking to task the nucleus of their col-
lege education. Whether they prefer to face it huddled in a carrel squir-
reled away from the word or propped up at a table amidst the thrum of
steady conversation, they're sure to find a place to feel at home.



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Grace residents Mike Baldinger and Dan Soenen put in some study time
at their sister school.

Cushwa-Leighton, SMC

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1. Just weird. Stupid things
actually fold open.
OPAC acronym:
(Online PublicAccess Catalog)

No

Take a nap

Yes

re Dame campus the first
ay after football season ends.

No

Awesome

Yes

Yes

FOR MEN: Excellent
WOMEN: Not as bad as
you'd think, ladies.

Hesburgh, ND

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Blessedly normal. You pull the handle,
you go in. That's all we need.

UNLOC acronym:
(University of Notre Dame
Libraries' Online Catalog)

Yes

Try to adjust to not having to sit on
vinyl.

No

Perpetual Mardi Gras

Yes

Awesome

Yes

No

FOR BOTH: Opportunity abounds

■ ACCENT COLUMN

Welcome to Joey's world

By JOEY CRAWFORD

Assistant Accent Editor

I have been having the strangest night-
mares recently. I can feel my life being
slowly, but meticulously sucked into the
sleepless world of The Observer, where the
days are long and the nights are even longer.

My "tragic" fate was determined just over a
week ago, when I was appointed the new
Accent Editor, replacing my mentor and tem-
porary crutch, Krista Nannery. The influ-
ence she had over me is immeasurable, now
unfortunately she is the subject of one of my
recurring Observer nightmares. During the
nightmare, she continuously informs me that
I no longer have time for a life, my life must
be totally committed to The Observer.

Eventually I escape from her wrath and
seek refuge in the sanctuary of my dorm
room. I attempt to steal a moment of "my
life" back by calling one of my friends on the
telephone.

As I talk on the phone, I stare out the win-
dow only to see Krista glaring back at me
yelling, "Get off of the phone, you don't have
time for that kind of stuff anymore." Then I
wake up, it was only a dream, or was it?
(Freud may propose that the source of these
dreams may be the fact that I want to be
dominated by powerful women. I don't
know? You decide.)

I have been working with the Accent staff
for just over a semester now as the Assistant
Editor for Friday's Accent pages. Yes, I am
the one who brought you cartoons, coloring,
and the Dancing Fiends articles. I plan on
bringing the same extravagant cheese that
everyone loves to the Accent pages on a daily
basis but with more spice.

I have a number of goals for this coming
year in regard to my life at the newspaper.
First and foremost is maintaining my sanity.
Without my sanity, there will not be any
Accent pages. Some of the student body may
be ambiguous to this, as I found out yester-
day as I polled a number of students as to
what they would be their ideal feature in the
Accent pages.

Sadly, some of the students did not have
the slightest clue what the Accent pages are.
Another student mistook us for the Viewpoint
section, while still another extremely well-
read student casually asked, "What is The
Observer?" My goal is to change this and
have both Saint Mary's and Notre Dame stu-
dents excited about the Accent pages. I want
to bring them cutting edge stories and fea-
tures that will have the student body yearn-
ing for more. I want people to open the
paper to the Accent pages and wonder,
"What do those crazy kids in Accent have in
store for us today?"

I have a number of plans for the Accent
pages for the next year. It is in the student
body's interest to have stories that are perti-
nent to them.

Concert, plays, shows and other high cul-
tural events that occur within a two hour
radius will be reviewed or previewed, or at
least mentioned. Often times these events go
completely unnoticed. I also expect to have a
Star Wars extravaganza, an Academy Award
preview, a weekly web-sight of the week, as
well as a countless number of ideas, some
really good, and some that may not be quite
so good.

But what I really want to see is a more
exciting Accent section. Something that peo-
ple will take interest in and not mistake us
for Viewpoint. I also wouldn't mind featuring
an Elizabeth Shue interview...but that's an-
other story.

■ NHL

Gretzky still a King, for now

By BETH HARRIS
Associated Press

INGLEWOOD, Calif. The Wayne Gretzky trade watch lives another day.

On a day when it appeared the Great One would finally be traded to St. Louis, the Los Angeles Kings said Tuesday the sport's most prolific scorer was still in their employ.

Kings president Bob Sanderman announced there was "no conclusion" to the negotiations with Gretzky and his agent on Tuesday, but the talks are to resume.

In any case, Gretzky may well be in the lineup Wednesday night when the Kings play at home against Tampa Bay.

Neither Gretzky nor his agent, Mike Barnett, attended the news briefing at the Forum.

The announcement dampened anticipation in St. Louis, where the news conference was watched by reporters on a monitor and the team had a podium ready for a satellite news conference of its own.

"They said it was ongoing," Blues president Jack Quinn said from St. Louis. "I guess they just need more time. I'm sitting here waiting for them to call us."

Blues spokesman Tom Maurer said Quinn and Mike Keenan, the coach and general manager, continue to negotiate with the Kings. However,

Sanderman said the Kings have not given St. Louis permission to talk to Barnett nor will they.

Sanderman described the 1 1/2-hour meeting as cordial, and said he hoped to reach a conclusion about Gretzky's status this week. Kings co-owner Edward Roski also attended the meeting.

"We want to do what's right for Wayne. At the same time, we owe it to our fans to do what's right for the Los Angeles Kings," Sanderman said.

"What we're wrestling with is can we do what's right for everybody and have him remain with the Kings. That's our hope and desire."

Gretzky was in the meeting while the Kings practiced for Wednesday's game at the Forum against Tampa Bay. He and Barnett left the building before the news conference began.

Kings coach Larry Robinson is famous for his patience, yet he is ready for a final decision.

"It's been going on for 2 1/2 months. Something has to be resolved," he said. "It's not good for the team. It's not fair to Wayne either."

Gretzky, 35, can become a free agent after this season, and the Kings risk losing him without compensation if they don't sign him.

Robinson said he doesn't believe money is an issue in the

negotiations. Asked if he wants Gretzky to remain with the Kings, Robinson replied, "Wouldn't you?"

Marty McSorley, who was part of the blockbuster trade that sent Gretzky from Edmonton to Los Angeles in 1988, was one of several players who expressed support for Gretzky, the team captain.

"Wayne is our leader," he said. "If Wayne had been moved, it would have been a sure sign of where the team was headed. He's pretty sensitive and he cares about the team. This has been hard on him."

Gretzky played on Monday night in Winnipeg, where he assisted on one goal in a 4-3 loss to the Jets. Afterward, he said he planned to meet with the Kings' owners on Tuesday.

"There's no guarantees in this game," he said at the time. "But I can guarantee you that I'm not going to be traded until I can at least meet with the owners."

And that was clearly the case.

To get Gretzky, the Blues supposedly are poised to give the Kings rookies Craig Johnson and Patrice Tardif, 19-year-old prospect Roman Vopat and their No. 1 pick in the 1997 draft.

Gretzky said in Winnipeg that he expects to be moved well before the NHL's trade deadline.

■ BOXING

Bruno throwing verbal jabs at Tyson before fight

By TIM DAHLBERG
Associated Press

LAS VEGAS

It took Frank Bruno to say what some already whispered about Mike Tyson in the year since he was released from a 3 1/2-year prison sentence.

In doing so, he staked out his claim to the high road for their March 16 heavyweight title fight.

"I thought prison was supposed to wise you up and make you a better man," Bruno said Tuesday. "He's getting worse, to be honest, both in the ring and out of the ring."

After enduring both the catcalls from Tyson's entourage and a boorish Tyson at Tuesday's first news conference promoting the WBC title fight, Bruno was in no mood to heap praise on Tyson as had his first two post-prison opponents.

He was particularly critical of the dozen or so members of Tyson's entourage who heckled him during the news conference.

"The entourage around him are bad people," Bruno said. "There's not one ounce of class among them. And after I finish with Mike Tyson they're going to disappear."

Bruno left no doubt he was out to win the pre-fight test of wills following a news conference in which Tyson made no effort to answer questions before bringing it to an abrupt close by getting up to leave.

Long after Tyson had left the room at the MGM Grand Hotel, Bruno was still holding court, eager to talk about the first defense of the WBC title he won from Oliver McCall.

"Now is payback time. Now is the time for revenge," said Bruno, who was stopped in the fifth round by Tyson the first time they fought almost seven years ago to the day. "I can't wait to get my hands on him and I'm not saying that to sell tickets because I don't get any percentage. I'm talking out of my heart."

While the British champion was talking out of his heart, Tyson wasn't talking much at all.

Tyson ignored some questions and gave perfunctory answers to most others.

"I'm just confident in what I'm capable of doing," the former heavyweight champion said in a typical response.

About the only time Tyson came close to revealing anything about the fight was when he predicted he would beat Bruno.

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■ MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

Phillips shocks White Sox with news of retirement

Associated Press

SARASOTA, Fla. Chicago White Sox left fielder Tony Phillips stunned his new team Tuesday by announcing his retirement from baseball.

Phillips, a free agent who signed a two-year, \$3.6 million contract with the White Sox on Jan. 20, left camp last Saturday and returned to his home in Scottsdale, Ariz., for "family reasons." Monday night, he phoned Chicago general manager Ron Schueler and said he was retiring.

"I talked to Tony last night and he told me that at this point, he wants to retire," Schueler said. "I tried to talk him out of it, but he said his family means more to him than playing baseball."

Phillips, 36, was unavailable for comment Tuesday.

Players on the White Sox said they were stunned to hear the news about Phillips, who was expected to lead off and play left field.

"It's something that surprised everyone," first base-

man Frank Thomas said. "In this business, people come and go all the time, but I'm disappointed because Tony's one of the best leadoff hitters in baseball. It's going to hurt."

"I'm surprised because I talked to him before he left and he told me he had a great feeling about this team," said Sox shortstop Ozzie Guillen.

"But you play baseball for a short while. Your family is there for your whole life. I hope he made the right decision."

Schueler said he might try to fill Phillips' spot by trading for another left fielder or signing a free agent. For now, though, veteran Dave Martinez and Lyle Mouton are expected to share time in left.

Phillips, a 13-year veteran who also played for the Athletics and Tigers, batted .261 with the Angels last year and hit a career-high 27 home runs.

He had a lifetime average of .266, and only Barry Bonds (635) scored more runs since 1990 than Phillips (621).

Cincinnati gets new catcher

Associated Press

PLANT CITY, Fla.

The signing of Joe Oliver likely will reduce the role of Eddie Taubensee and end the brief Cincinnati Reds careers of catchers Don Slaught and Joe Kmak.

Oliver and Taubensee probably will platoon as the starting catcher.

Taubensee shrugged off the disappointment of having the starting job taken away by the signing of a free agent. The same thing happened to him last year when Benito Santiago signed.

"Joe's a great catcher, but I feel I'm up there with him," said Taubensee, who has been promised a significant amount

of playing time by manager Ray Knight.

"I had my hopes up, but Ray said he still plans on playing me vs. right-handers. I know I can help this team win."

Taubensee, who hit .284 with nine home runs and 44 RBIs last season, is a left-handed batter. Oliver, who played for the Reds from 1989-1994, hit .273 with 12 home runs and 51 RBIs for the Milwaukee Brewers last season.

Oliver agreed Monday to a one-year deal with a base salary of \$500,000 and an incentives package that will pay him \$8,000 per game from his 81st to his 130th game. Should he play 130 games, Oliver will earn \$900,000.

"It's obvious that Joe Oliver and Eddie Taubensee are our two catchers and the chances of carrying three catchers are slim," general manager Jim Bowden said.

Neither Slaught nor Kmak has asked to be released, Bowden said.

"We'd like to have them both in the organization, but if they have a better opportunity in the major leagues, we're not going to stand in their ways," he said. Slaught, who signed a non-guaranteed, \$250,000 contract Dec. 31, has been given permission to approach other teams about a job.

"I want to be in a position where my skill dictates where I can play," said Slaught.

...and new stadium?

Associated Press

CINCINNATI

A \$544.2 million proposal to build two stadiums in Cincinnati is the most expensive sports complex plan ever, a newspaper reported Tuesday.

Hamilton County voters will decide March 19 whether to raise their sales tax a half-cent to build a baseball-only park and a football-only stadium.

Both the Cincinnati Reds and Bengals, which share 25-year-old Riverfront Stadium, have threatened to leave the city if they do not get new stadiums.

The Cincinnati Enquirer examined nearly 40 stadium

deals forged in the past 25 years and concluded that the total cost of Cincinnati's dual-stadium project is the highest.

The closest in cost is Toronto's \$425 million Skydome. Cleveland's \$420 million Gateway project, which includes Jacobs Field for the Indians and the NBA Gund Arena, is third.

Few projects have been as ambitious as the Cincinnati plan, the newspaper said. It involves razing Riverfront, relocating riverfront companies and providing constant waterproofing and maintenance to withstand the freeze-and-thaw conditions that come from being so close to the Ohio River.

The stadium-tax ballot issue asks voters to increase the county sales tax from 5.5 percent to 6 percent. Revenues raised from the increase would finance 56 percent — or \$303.8 million — of the project.

The remaining \$240.4 million is to be picked up by the state, private sources and the teams. However, the Reds, Bengals and regional corporate executives have not formalized agreements with county leaders.

"We always have contended the sales tax is the most efficient way to raise such large sums of money," county Commissioner Bob Bedinghaus said.

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■ COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Boilermakers full steam ahead

Bench catapults Purdue to lofty No. 5 ranking

By HANK LOWENKRON
Associated Press

WEST LAFAYETTE, Ind. Unranked at the start of the year, Purdue can look to its bench to explain its drive to the No. 5 position in this week's Associated Press poll.

Purdue's reserves have outscored their opponent's bench in 11 of their last 12 games. On Sunday, Purdue's bench outscored Indiana's by a 32-2 margin as the Boilermakers edged their arch-rivals 74-72. For the season, Purdue's bench has scored 818 points and reserves for their opponents have 458 off the bench. It has outscored the opposition in 23 of 27 games.

"When you've got two seniors coming off the bench, you expect significant contributions from them," coach Gene Keady said in reference to guard Todd Foster and forward Justin Jennings.

Foster, who has hit a team-high 52 attempts from behind the 3-point arc, is averaging 7.9 points and Jennings averages 7.7.

Sophomore Brad Miller, the team's second-leading scorer at 10.2, also comes off the bench for the Boilermakers.

"Brad has really come on of late. He's scored in double figures five straight games," Keady said of the 6-foot-11 center, who hasn't started since the first game of the season and averages about 21 minutes per game. "I expected him to be playing this well earlier in the season, but for a while it was like he was in a fog."

The Boilermakers (23-4, 13-2 Big Ten) are on the verge of becoming the first team to win the conference championship outright three straight years in three decades. Ohio State accomplished the feat 1960-62. Any combination of two Purdue victories or Penn State losses would give the Boilermakers the title this week.

"We're in position to do something special with the three titles, but we haven't done it yet so we can't start celebrating," Keady said.

Especially since a Purdue championship wasn't considered even a remote possibility in preseason forecasts by the media and coaches.

"We're used to it. For the last two years, the other two championships we won, they never picked us first," Jennings said. "Still, this title will be real rewarding."

In his 18th season at Purdue, Keady has won with a balanced scoring attack. Sophomore Chad Austin leads

an offense that has seven players averaging between 7.7 and 11.9 points.

"We don't care who gets the points, and it really doesn't matter who starts," Foster said. "We've been having a lot of fun this season. We're like family on and off the court, and we're all sharing in what has happened."

Seven road triumphs have boosted Purdue's title bid. The team has won 19 of its last 21 games, including nine straight as it has held opponents to an average of 57.3 points per game.

"Our defense is a big thing," Jennings said. "If we can't play good defense on the road, and we let the crowd get into the game, I think a lot of times we would get blown out. ... Our defense and our experience is really doing the job for us."

As the Boilermakers prepare for Thursday's visit by Minnesota, the bench apparently will have some more depth when freshman Luther Clay rejoins the team.

"Luther is going to be back with us Wednesday," Jennings said. "He had some problems. ... We support Luther, he knows we support him. He has to do what's best for him. He had some problems, basketball-related and non-basketball related. He's going to be back, and hopefully really make some noise in the (NCAA) tournament."



Courtesy of Purdue Sports Information
Purdue head coach Gene Keady has much to cheer about as his Boilermakers cracked the top five in the Associated Press poll.

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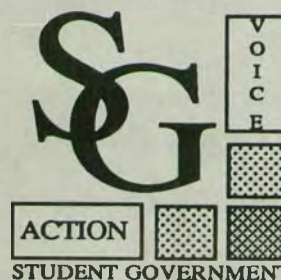
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Gaffney

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pony-tailed novice who seemed to tower over the 6'2" seasoned DeBiasi. At times looking completely out of control, the relentless Gaffney attacked the more careful DeBiasi with reckless abandon, missing several roundhouse blows but causing quite an effect on DeBiasi when he did find his target.

The action in the fight was non-stop, and when the dust had cleared the two fighters were stumbling around the ring, punch-drunk but somehow still standing.

DeBiasi appeared to win the first round, landing a few powerful uppercuts on Gaffney while dodging more than a few

looping Gaffney rights.

DeBiasi's momentum carried him into the second round, where the pace remained breakneck, but his early edge seemed to disappear when he was floored by one of Gaffney's big rights. The junior hung tough though, landing several rights of his own while playing solid defense. He ran into trouble just before the end of the second round, however, finding salvation from a flurry of vicious Gaffney punches when the bell rang to bring the round to a close.

By the time the bell had rung to open the third and final round, the crowd was in a frenzy. Gaffney sensed that he was still trailing DeBiasi, and came out swinging harder than ever.

"I knew I was a little behind going into the third," said Gaffney after the fight. "I was

concentrating on really connecting with my punches."

Gaffney's concentration paid off, as the series of jabs he landed towards the end of the final round gave him what must have been a narrow victory on the judges' cards.

"I felt like I was in pretty good shape, but he definitely got the best of me in the third round," commented DeBiasi. "I give him a lot of credit, he's a tough kid and a tough fighter. I was pretty sure he won the fight at the end."

Gaffney received invaluable support from his cornerman Eric Hillegas, himself a veteran of the Bouts.

Hillegas, who won the championship at 157 pounds last year, is back for a fifth year, not as a fighter but as a residence assistant in Grace Hall.

"Eric is the one who inspired me to do this," said Gaffney. "He told us how great it was, that it's a valuable experience. I've really enjoyed the camaraderie with this group. There are a lot of great, helpful, unselfish people in this program."

"Brian is one of five guys in my section who decided to box this year," said a proud Hillegas following the fight. "He went in there and laid it all on the line. I just wanted to try and encourage him. The boxing club helped define my experience at

Notre Dame, and I wanted to share it with Brian and the others."

DeBiasi, who some would expect to have been somewhat peeved at the judges' decision, shared the same sentiments about the Bouts.

"I'm looking forward to next year," said a confident DeBiasi. "I've had a great time. It's all about the friends you make, and the money that goes to charity."

Not a bad thing, these Bengal Bouts.



The Observer/Brian Hardy
Brian "The Nutty Irishman" Gaffney (left) outpunched favorite Mike DeBiasi in one of the night's crazier battles. Gaffney, a freshman, will go up against Dan Cunningham in Friday's finals.

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Tom "The Quiet Man" Kelly also did his part to make sure

the crowd was anything but quiet. The sophomore landed perhaps the most blows of the evening in his win over Dave Hellen.

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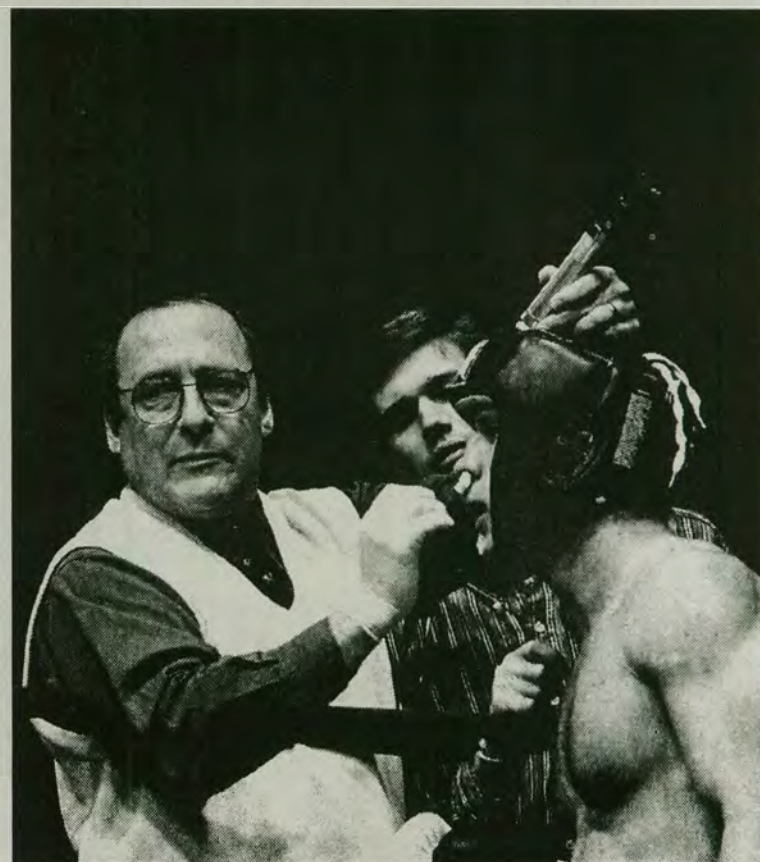
And in classic Bengal Bout form, that one, Mike DeBiasi, went down with quite a fight.



The Observer/Brent Tadsen
John Kmetz (left) defeated Lucas Molina in the 155 weight class (above). (Below) John Mele was bloodied by winner John Christoforetti.



The Observer/Brian Hardy
Favorite Ted Pagano snuck by Tom Cronley with a split decision. Pagano, who is nicknamed "The Ragin' Roman", meets Doug Pollina in the 140 pound final.

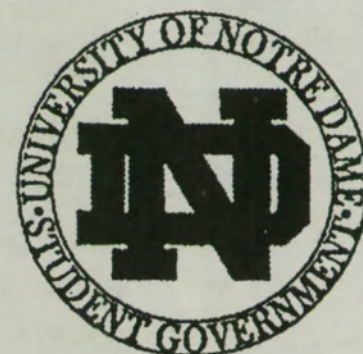
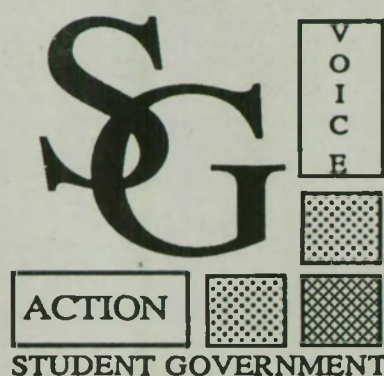


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■ SAINT MARY'S SWIMMING

Belles conclude trying season

By LAURIE KELLEHER
Sports Writer

After a grueling 22 week season, the Saint Mary's Swimming and Diving Team ended their season with a fourth place finish at the Liberal Arts Championships this past weekend. The Championships brought the curtain down on the careers of the seniors on the team.

"We finished the season the way we were supposed to," said coach Mike Whatley.

"We trained to swim well at Liberal Arts and we did just that."

Compared to other teams, the Belles, with only 13 swimmers and three divers competing, were hindered by the smaller number. The Belles competed in 39 swims, scoring in 35, and making the finals.

"It was really positive to have everybody at the finals and swimming in finals," said Whatley.

"I'm really happy with the team effort at the Championships."

Most swimmers were happy

about the outcome of the meet. The taper resulted in much improvement of times, and an overall good performance.

"The meet was awesome," said senior captain Natalie Cheeseman. "We had so much fun. Everyone swam well and it was a great way to end the season."

There were several swimmers who had outstanding performances. Katie Rose placed in the top eight in 400 IM, 200 IM, and 100 back. Natalie Cheeseman placed sixth, eighth, and tenth in the 200 IM, 100 breast, and 1650 free respectively. Sarah Gillen finished in 100, 200, and 500 freestyles.

Tara Thomas broke the team record and placed third in the 200 backstroke with a time of 2:18.76. She also placed ninth in the 50 free and fifth in the 100 back. Shannon Kelleher placed first in the 500 free with a time of 5:21.69, second in the 1650 freestyle, and first in the 200 fly with a lifetime best of 2:22.69. All of the relays placed well.

"I'm very pleased with how the meet went," said senior Jen Mitchell. "I'm glad that the end of my collegiate swimming career ended with such an incredible meet."

The Belles swimming and diving team had many challenges this season. First and foremost, there was a new coach. They also had the majority of their dual meets away, so they had to compete tired after traveling.

The season extended over both semesters, making it hard to train through break. However, the team trained for over a week with N.C. State and came back early to train. The team managed to stay strong for the new semester and compete on the road almost every weekend. Most swimmers achieved personal best times and six team records were broken.

"The season went so fast," said Cheeseman. "It had its ups and downs. We're a very close team now because we went through so much."

"We had a really good taper and everyone swam well."

■ SWIMMING

Irish fare well at Big East meet

By BRIDGET CASEY
Sports Writer

Competing in their inaugural Big East Swimming and Diving Championships last weekend, the Irish swimmers came away with numerous season best times and the respect of their east coast conference members.

The women finished third overall with 492 points to Miami's second place finish with 548.5 points and Villanova's first place 551 points.

"We weren't that far away from Villanova and Miami and didn't realize how close the meet really was until Sunday," commented senior captain Joy Michnowicz. "Overall the meet was a good indicator for next year, now that we know what to expect."

Individually, Junior Erin Brooks came away with victories in the 100 and 200 Backstrokes as well as meeting NCAA Championship consideration time standards in both events, with a 1:59.47 and 56.25 respectively. Sophomore Linda Gallo also met a NCAA consideration time in the 500 freestyle.

In the sprint events, sophomore Courtney South finished

6th with a time of 24.29 and 5th in the 100 with a time of 52.13. The women also came away with a first place finish in the 400 Medley relay with a time of 3:50.00.

On the men's side, the overall score does not reflect the success of the swimmers as 14 of 17 swims were life-time best times. The Irish finished seventh with 262, a mere 19 points off of sixth place.

According to captain George Lathrop, "We were really happy to finish right in the middle where we did. We were predicted to struggle and finish near the bottom, so we proved people wrong and swam well in the process."

Individually, freshman Scott Zumbach set a new university record in the 1650 yard freestyle with a time of 15:47.50, and a seventh place finish. Fellow freshman Chris Fugate had an impressive meet finishing sixth in the 100 Backstroke with a time of 52.19. Junior Matt Rose also swam well finishing fifth in the 100 and 200 Breaststroke events with times of 57.91 and 2:06.04. Rose was followed in seventh place in the 100 by freshman Steel Whowell in 58.24.

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recently, following a close loss to Providence with their most convincing win of the season, a 72-60 victory over Seton Hall.

"We kept our composure and didn't get frustrated and start to lose our composure, which is

really important in growing," explained MacLeod of the recent home games. "Once we started to shoot the ball we relaxed and got into our rhythm."

Rhythm is something that Miami has lacked, especially on the road. The Hurricanes are mere tropical breezes away from Biscayne Bay, having failed to notch a conference road victory this season.

Still, the physical 'Canes pose matchup problems for a once-again injury-riddled Irish squad, who will be without the services of freshman center Phil Hickey (thigh contusion) and junior swingman Pete Miller (dislocated shoulder).

In the previous matchup between the teams, an ugly 72-64 'Cane victory in Miami, Notre Dame was manhandled inside, allowing Miami to shoot 44 free throws.

Since then, the Irish have improved drastically on the glass, outrebounding the Pirates by 22 on Saturday. Especially without Hickey's inside presence, a similar effort will be needed against the Hurricanes.

"From a rebounding standpoint we're not backing up," said MacLeod. "Early on we were a bit timid, but not any more."

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Tonight will be Ryan Hoover's last game in the Joyce Center. The senior captain has been a four-year part-time starter and is Notre Dame's career leader in three-pointers made and attempted as well as free-throw shooting percentage.

Hoover has been the squad's leading scorer in the last three games, and has raised his scoring average to 12.4 points per game.

"When Hoov begins to knock down those jump shots it does open things up inside," said MacLeod. "He gets the crowd going and our entire team rolling (with his three-pointers). We're going to miss that perimeter game next year."

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Oft-injured freshman swing-



The Observer/Dave Murphy

Sophomore Derek Manner, here called for charging, would later dunk on the man he plowed over, Adrian Griffin, in the Irish win over Seton Hall.

man Gary Bell has been healthy of late, and the Irish have benefited from his presence off the bench. Bell scored six points against Seton Hall, and might get substantially more playing time against Miami as Derek Manner struggles with a wrist injury.

"Offensively, Gary has a knack for scoring, and he's not afraid to shoot the ball," said MacLeod. "Defensively he's gotten all mixed up chasing the ball in the backcourt and trailing his man - he needs to get that aspect of his game straightened out."



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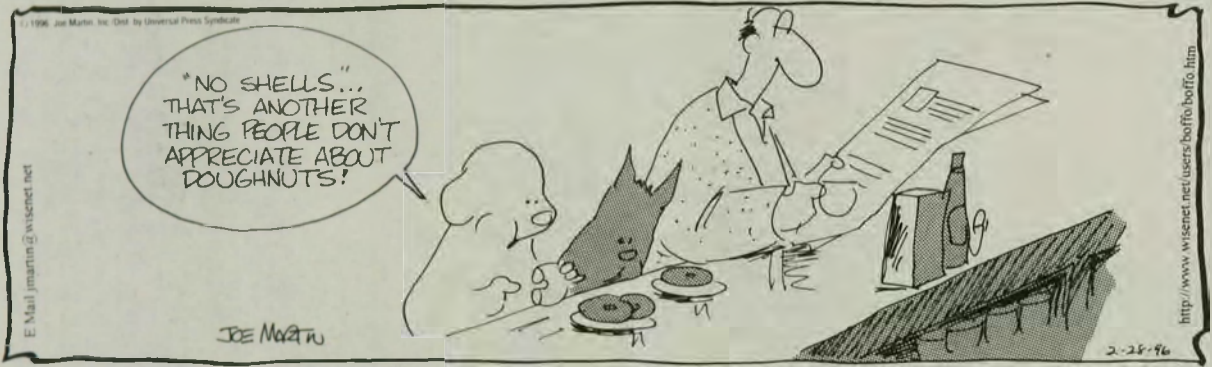
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY! IN THE NEXT YEAR OF YOUR LIFE: Refuse to be discouraged by what seems to be an avalanche of paper-work. Perseverance will take you straight to the top! The month of May features an important business trip. A financial turnaround will benefit you more than others. Set aside time for romance and a satisfying home life. Family ties could be the key to a new job and golden future. Be careful not to burn any bridges if you leave a current employer. Be a diplomat.

CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: actress Stephanie Beacham, actress Bernadette Peters, basketball player Adrian Dantley, chemist Dr. Linus Pauling.

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Vocational developments of a positive nature are in the spotlight. Accept a heavier workload with good grace; it could mean a salary increase. Your rapport with an attractive member of the opposite sex improves.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Your hunches are accurate. Use your bargaining chips wisely and you will land a new contract or assignment. Diplomacy helps you handle sensitive matters.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Unexpected developments at work could put you on edge. Focus on what must be done. Once you get results, you can turn your attention to friends and fun!

CANCER (June 21-July 22): A declaration of love rekindles a romantic flame. Act swiftly in a financial matter. Take a chance on information that will put you at the controls.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Defer judgment until all the facts and figures are in. Give your mate or partner the benefit of the doubt. Getting

caught up in a whirlwind of social activity will be good for you!

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Group interaction will lead to new goals and friendships. You instinctively know how to make allies out of your co-workers. Press onward. Leap over hurdles to finish an important race.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Group support makes a long day easier. Let your imagination roam during periods of reflection. Family members will respond favorably if you are affectionate. Emphasize both consideration and romance.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Stormy news could rock your boat. Send out a distress signal to someone in a position to help you. Things work out fine! You need to be cautious in financial matters. Rethink your priorities.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): You have a strong desire to make things happen at work. Jump in the driver's seat and take the express lane to success! Bold ideas galvanize an appreciative audience. They beg you for more.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Haste could make waste now. Slow down. Taking an interest in a special project will help you establish a bond with a fascinating newcomer. Offer practical assistance, not vague promises.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Transportation delays are possible today. Allow extra time to get to appointments. Planning ahead will work wonders at work. Let higher-ups see how you have taken every contingency into account.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): You and a business associate are in complete agreement on a financial issue. Try to consolidate your debts. Work out a plan to pay off a loan in stages.

■ OF INTEREST

Marine Corps Flight Orientation Program is coming to the Michiana Airport today and tomorrow. If you are interested in an active duty commission as a U.S. Marine Corps officer and are between the ages of 18 and 26, a Marine Corps Aviator Captain will allow you to take off and land with him in his Cessna Crusader 303. For sign-ups or more information, call Lieutenant Barrett at 1-800-945-3088.

A Kids Corporation Representative will be at the CSC Coffee House tomorrow from 6:30 to 8:30. Free pizza will be served.

■ MENU

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| North | Roast Top Sirloin |
| Marinated Flank Steak | Turkey Turnovers |
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| Grilled Tilapia | |
| Saint Mary's | |
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| Italian London Broil | |
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■ **BENGAL BOUTS**

Veteran favorites squeak by in semi-finals

By TIM SHERMAN
Associate Sports Editor

For many, the Bengal Bouts are an entirely new experience. While training is essential, it is the learning end of the process that is the most difficult for many novices. Fortunately, for many of the newcomers, there are plenty of veterans among the Bengal Bout upperclassman there to lend a helping hand.

In last night's semifinal action, it was the time for the youngsters to return the favor. But instead of a pat on the back, it was more along the lines of right hook to the jaw, or maybe a left uppercut to the chin.

But when all the gloves were stashed away until Friday night and the ring taken down from the Joyce Center fieldhouse, it was the grizzled veterans who advanced for the most part. By the skin of their trunks.

In the first of the 175-pound semis, senior captain Mike Farrell narrowly escaped his clash with sophomore Norm Beznoski, taking a split decision to advance to a final matchup with

Matt Dowd.

"I was definitely happy with the fight I fought," said Beznoski. "You never want to lose but Mike is a great guy. He's always been there to help me out, especially with mental preparation."

Also moving into the finals, albeit with a little more difficulty than expected was Ted Pagano, the top seed in the 140 pound class.

"The Ragin' Roman" needed a strong third round to prevail in a split decision over freshman Tom Cronley. Cronley effectively used a reach advantage to frustrate a skilled Pagano, but the talent was too much to overcome.

"I didn't think the fight was as close as the judges thought," observed sophomore Doug Pollina, who will be Pagano's opponent Friday night.

The lighter weight classes followed pretty much according to schedule, but things got progressively more interesting as the 26-fight night wore on.

"When you get in there, some people have heart and spirit, so anything can happen," 145 pound finalist Fred "Irish



The Observer/Brent Tadsen

150 pounders Tom Kelly and Dave Hellen provided one of the evening's more entertaining bouts. Kelly emerged from the slugfest as a finalist.

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The Observer/Dave Murphy

Brian Gaffney is overcome with excitement upon hearing the decision that went in his favor in last night's semi-final action.

Gaffney turns brawl into upset

By DYLAN BARMMER
Sports Writer

The fight was over, and boxers Mike DeBiasi and Brian Gaffney embraced, as the capacity crowd at the Joyce Center Fieldhouse stood to give the two fighters a rousing ovation. Referee Terry Johnson stood between them now, and the crowd hung on the announcer's forthcoming words.

"And the winner ... by a split decision ... in the Gold corner ... Brian Gafffffffney!" Johnson raised Gaffney's hand high in the air, and the jubilant freshman embraced DeBiasi again before raising both arms high in the air in a salute to the adoring crowd.

The judges' decision received mixed reactions, as this fight in the semifinals of the 185 pound weight class was almost too close to call.

Gaffney loomed large in the ring, a lanky,

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66th Annual Bengal Bouts Semifinals



Best Bout

Dave Helen vs. Tom Kelly-150 lbs.

Best Brawl

Patrick Maciariello vs. Erik Henderson-170 lbs.

Crowd Pleaser

Michael DeBiasi vs. Brian Gaffney-185 lbs.

■ **MEN'S BASKETBALL**

More than meets the eye

Tournament seed on line tonight against Miami

By TIM SEYMOUR
Associate Sports Editor

Notre Dame has been looking up at the rest of the Big East conference for the entire season thus far. Tonight, it has the opportunity to take its first step up the proverbial ladder.

The Irish (9-15, 4-12) have the chance to climb out of the cellar when they host Miami (12-12, 6-10) in the last game this season in the Joyce Center for a 7:00 p.m. ESPN-televized tip.

Currently the Irish are deadlocked with St. John's and Pittsburgh with four conference wins apiece (although after their loss to Syracuse on Monday, the Red Storm is statistically below the other two with 13 losses).

Although Notre Dame enjoys the tiebreaker advantage over both schools for Big East tournament seeding, a win over the Hurricanes would go a long way toward ensuring a better draw in the conference preliminaries.

A best-case scenario for the Irish would pit them against Providence on Wednesday March 6, with the winner to face the third-seeded Villanova Wildcats the next day.

If Notre Dame finishes in either of the bottom-two positions, likely tournament opponents would be Boston College or Syracuse.

But beyond the impending conference tourney, Notre Dame coach John MacLeod views the season's stretch run as an opportunity to build towards next year.

"Next year's team will grow from this year's experiences," he said. "They will know what to expect. We're fortunate in that we have the kind of kids that have character - character kids don't back up, they keep moving forward."

The Irish have certainly been moving in the right direction

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The Observer/Dave Murphy

Center Matt Gotsch blocks a shot during Notre Dame's win over Seton Hall last Saturday.

SPORTS
at a
GLANCE

Men's Basketball

vs. Miami, Tonight, 7:00 p.m.

Women's Basketball

at Big East Tournament, Storrs, CT
March 2, TBA

Hockey

vs. Ferris State, March 2, 7:00 p.m.

Men's Tennis

vs. Michigan State,
Today, 3:30 p.m.

Baseball

at New Orleans, March 1, 1:00 p.m.

SMC Sports

Tennis vs. Hope, March 2, 1:00 p.m.

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