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# Hesburgh discusses diversity at Notre Dame

By MIKE CONNOLLY News Writer

When Father Theodore Hesburgh arrived on campus as a 17-year-old freshman in 1934, Notre Dame was a very different

The stadium was smaller, the Dome still housed dorm rooms and the library, which now bears his name, didn't even exist. But, according to the former University president, the most glaring absence on campus was not a building but a kind of person.

"There wasn't a single black student, a single black teacher or even a black workman," Hesburgh said to more than 150 students in the LaFortune Ballroom last night. "[Notre Dame] was white heaven. I decided right away that if I could, I would change

Sixty-six years later, Hesburgh has changed far more than just Notre Dame. Both the University and the United States are more diverse thanks to the his work.

As University president from 1952 to 1987, Hesburgh instituted plans to diversify the campus. Some of his programs have resulted in nearly \$40 million in scholarship money per year for minorities.

Money is one of the most important tools for increasing diversity at Notre Dame, Hesburgh said.

'If you [were] going to get blacks to come to Notre Dame, it was going to take a lot of money because many black families could not afford a Notre Dame education," he said.

As a charter member of the United States Commission on Civil Rights in 1957 and chairman of the commission from 1969 to 1972. Hesburgh explored the discrimination that closed off educational, social and political opportunities from blacks

"We really established what the United States was like in those days," he said of the commission's work. "We determined what a black could and could not do.

The commission investigated six areas that were the worst in regards to discrimi-

blacks - voting, housing, education, employment, administration of justice and public accommodations.

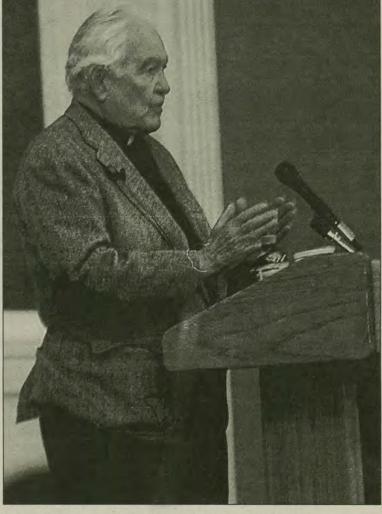
Of these issues, voting was the critical, most according Hesburgh. commission found that in 13 former Confederate states, laws effectively prevented blacks from vot-

In Mississippi, the law stated that to vote, a person must be able to read a newspaper. When a black person came to register to vote, he was handed a Chinese newspaper and asked to read it. When he was unable to read it, he was not allowed to regis-

In addition to exclusion from the political process, blacks were excluded from education.

"In 1964, if you were black, you couldn't go to any school that had a white student in it," Hesburgh said.

Finally, the commission found that blacks were not even allowed to use the most basic public services like hotels, restaurants,



Last night Father Theodore Hesburgh addressed more than 150 students about the changes in diversity that have occurred during the time he has spent at Notre Dame.

> water fountains and public toilets. The commission found that the exclusion

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# MIS major receives donation

By MAUREEN SMITHE Assistant News Editor

When junior Corey Jenks arrived at Notre Dame his freshman year, he expected to pursue a major in the School of Engineering. But he realized he was more interested in computers and business than chemical engineering.

Jenk's realization led him to

the School of Business' Management Information Systems (MIS) major.

"I know that ND students coming from MIS get good jobs with good pay," Jenks said. "I came to MIS because of the numerous job opportunities in the information sys-

Many students are following the same path as Jenks. In fact, since 1996 the number of MIS majors has doubled; currently 160 undergrads and nearly 25 graduate students are enrolled, according to management professor Khalil

"This is a field in which there has been an incredible surge, and the market competition for MIS faculty has been intense," said Carolyn Woo, dean of COBA. "MIS has come into significant demand because it represents the basic infrastructure which enables e-commerce."

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# More than his father's son

Editor's note: This is the establish himself as the frontfirst in a series of four presidential candidate profiles leading up to the New Hampshire primary.

By COLLEEN McCARTHY Associate News Editor

George W. Bush, the former managing general partner of the Texas Rangers baseball team and current governor of Texas, sees himself in a league of his own amidst the field of Republican candidates vying for the party's presidential nomination.

The amount of money Bush has raised for his campaign in hope of capturing the Republican party nomination and then the White House has helped in allowing Bush to

runner among other potential Republican nominees such as Senator John McCain (R-Ariz.), Steve Forbes and Allen

The key to Bush's success seems to be identifying himself as a moderate Republican, calling himself a "compassionate conservative." This political ideology has distanced him from candidates such as McCain and Forbes who take more conservative stances on economic and social issues.

Patricia Fava, communications director for the Va.-based Alexandria, American Conservative Union, said Bush is taking the right approach in appealing to conservative voters.

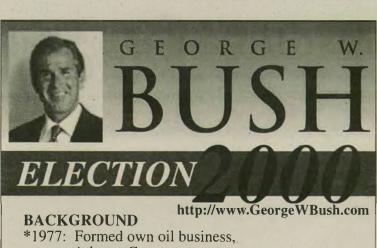
"[Bush] spoke to our group

over the weekend and the consensus among those in attendance about the speech he gave was that it had Reagan-esque qualities," she said. "He was eloquent yet at the same time answering questions that were in our minds. He struck a strong chord with conservatives in the crowd."

Although Bush has been accused by Forbes as not taking a more "conservative" stance on economic and social issues, Fava said Bush made it clear in his speech that despite his more "compassionate" approach, his Republican leanings are not a

"The perception has been among conservatives that

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"I believe it's important for Americans to bave confidence in their leadership. I think it's really important for moms and dads to be able to point to the White House and say, 'that person brought honor and dignity to the office."

-George W. Bush

#### INSIDE COLUMN

# Where's the MOB?

A wonderful thing happened to Notre Dame basketball. A new coach came to town. And he won. Big games. Sure, he lost a few too. But suddenly excitement is in the air. Notre Dame is again a force to be reckoned with.

The UConn game is already sold out – compare that to last year, when most students didn't think it was worth their time to go to a game.

Basketball is going to make us proud, and winter in South Bend will be a lot less dreary.

But doesn't Muffet deserve an Outrageous Bunch, too? If everyone was waiting for a winning team before becoming enthusiastic about basketball – well, we've had one for quite some time. The

Notre Dame women's basketball team is consistently one of the best teams in the nation. Yet a glance around the sparsely-filled JACC at game time makes one wonder, "Where is the student body?"

**Erin Piroutek** 

Assistant

news editor

These women play with amazing talent, heart and toughness. And they win. A lot. Everyone should be proud to support this team. With a 15–2 record, an 11-game winning streak and high hopes for the NCAA tournament, they are as perfect a team as any die-hard fan could want. The team doesn't ask for much. Just show up and the Irish won't disappoint.

But people don't show up. For some inexplicable reason the many crazed Irish fans on campus don't seem to make it to the women's basketball games.

But there's still time. The student body has at least five more chances.

Think about these reasons to be at the JACC on Saturday when the Fighting Irish face Georgetown and for the remaining games on the

home schedule:

1. When they reach the Final Four, you can say

that you knew it all along.

2. Niele Ivey's recovered from last season's knee injury — and she's better than ever.

3. It may be the only thing on this campus that's free.

4. How much better do they have to get before you'll go to see them?

5. A great chance to wear your obnoxiously-colored dorm T-shirt.

6. Currently ranked a school record fifth in the AP Poll, the team's undefeated in the Big East — a conference that has four schools ranked in the top 25.

7. They have a 16-game home winning streak already; imagine what they could do playing in front of a packed JACC every game.

8. UConn always sells out Gampel Pavillion for women's basketball games.

9. See freshman sensation Alicia Ratay in action.
10. Who wants to miss the opportunity to paint his or her body blue and gold?

11. Relieve the stress of going back to classes by screaming at the refs.

12. Seniors — How many more times will you get to sing the Alma Mater?

13. RÜUUUUUUTH.

14. National Championship, anyone???

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#### QUOTES OF THE WEEK

"It may no longer be a viable program."

Joe Cassidy
Director of
Student Activities
on the cancellation of
Sophomore Siblings
Weekend

"Notre Dame has been my whole life, since I arrived in 1934."

> Father Hesburgh on winning the Congressional Gold Medal

"We want to keep the movement alive."

Priscilla Wong Chair of the MLK Celebration Day committee "This is not a good day for ND."

Father Malloy on the NCAA's decision in the Dunbar investigation

#### **OUTSIDE THE DOME**

Compiled from U-Wire reports

# Environmentalist group claims MSU hall fire

EAST LANSING, Mich. A radical environmentalist group claimed responsibility Friday for the New Year's Eve blaze that caused more than \$400,000 in damages to Michigan State University's Agriculture Hall.

The Earth Liberation Front, which has claimed several arson-related fires in past years, faxed claims of responsibility to several media outlets Friday.

The fax said the group targeted the office of Catherine Ives, an associate professor who works for Michigan State University's Institute of International Agriculture. ELF claimed Ives was conducting research on the genetic engineering of crops.

Ives could not be reached for comment Sunday. Ives' office was targeted because her research is being paid for by St. Louis-based Monsanto Co.

"People are very concerned about playing with the genes of a different species. We have no idea what the outcome will be."

## Craig Rosebraugh Earth Liberation Front spokesman

and the U.S. Agency for International Development, organizations that pay for genetic engineering research, ELF spokesman Craig Rosebraugh said.

"There is a growing movement against [biotechnology]," he said. "People are very concerned about playing with the genes of a different species. We have no idea what the outcome will be."

Monsanto recently paid for five stu-

dents to attend a conference in Africa. MSU spokesman Terry Denbow said Monsanto's contribution to Ives' program was "limited to less than 1 percent of the project's operation."

Russell Freed, associate dean and interim director of the Institute of International Agriculture, would not comment on ELF's claims Sunday.

Rosebraugh said he received an anonymous call or letter from an ELF member and then alerted the media via news releases. He didn't say when or how he received the message.

The responsibility claim, which suggests a terrorist act, forced MSU to contact the FBI Friday to aid in the investigation. Denbow wouldn't comment on the investigation, which now includes the FBI, MSU police and the U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms

#### Protest turns violent at Northwestern

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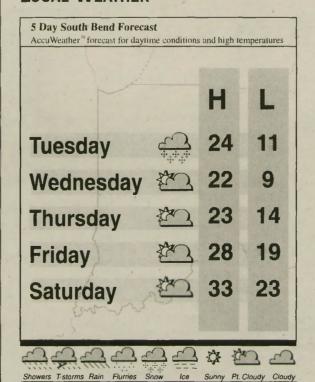
As police officers donned riot gear and protesters burned a flag from The World Church of the Creator, white supremacist Matt Hale's visit to Northwestern University turned violent Friday, resulting in three arrests among a crowd of 200 outside the Technological Institute, a university spokesman said. Three men, none of them NU students, were charged with disorderly conduct Friday afternoon after a fight broke, said Al Cubbage, vice president for University relations. Police said they escorted Hale - who showed no emotion as insults and snowballs bombarded him — away from Tech for his own safety after the leader of the World Church announced he had the signatures of nine NU students on a petition for university recognition as a religious group. Five of the people who signed the petition were members of his organization and the other four were not, Hale said. Hale told reporters he might sue NU if administrators do not grant his group religious status once he obtains 15 student signatures, the normal university requirement to form an official religious group.

#### UW dean target of porn investigation

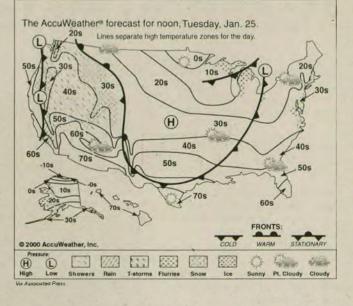
MADISON, Wis.

A University of Wisconsin-Madison assistant dean has been suspended and will likely face felony charges after images, allegedly featuring child pornography were found on his university computer. Danny Struebing, an assistant dean in the School of Human Ecology, is currently under investigation by University Police for possession of child pornography. He was suspended with pay on Dec. 23, just 22 days after starting in his new position. No charges have yet been filed against Struebing, but UW Police Detective Douglas Scheller said he is confident Struebing will be indicted. "I can pretty much guarantee that charges will be filed," said Scheller, the lead investigator in the case. He estimated these charges would be filed "roughly within two weeks." Neither Struebing nor UW Chancellor David Ward would comment on the situation. Struebing did not return repeated phone calls, and Ward would not comment because the issue was still under investigation. Scheller said the investigation began when he received an anonymous complaint Dec. 1 from an employee in the history department.

#### LOCAL WEATHER



#### NATIONAL WEATHER



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A march to protest the Roe vs. Wade decision in South Bend on Monday drew 100 community members despite the cold temperatures and wind chill. Several Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students participated in a similar protest held in Washington, D.C.

# South Bend marchers support Right-to-Life

By MICHAEL DE LA ROSA News Writer

SOUTH BEND Below-freezing temperatures and bitter wind chills did not numb the passion of approximately 100 community members who protested the Roe vs. Wade decision Monday on the corner of Jefferson and Main Streets in downtown South Bend

The annual demonstration in remembrance of the Supreme Court's Jan. 22, 1973 decision to uphold a woman's right to an abortion drew protesters from local churches, high schools and

Right to Life groups.

A quote from Mother Theresa influenced young activist Jewels Lentire's decision to protest.

"It is a poverty to decide that a child must die so you can live as you wish," Lentire said. "There are millions of families who want ehildren. I'm adopted myself. If I can make it, then other babies should be given the chance.'

Matt Bocart, freshman class president at St. Joseph High School, demonstrated his disap- abortions in the county. There proval of legalized abortion with currently are 11 abortion clinics

the help of many of his classmates. "We're just

doing this because don't believe in abortion, Bocart said. "This protest wasn't mandatory. It's just

whoever wanted to come." In 1996, there were 100,167

"We're just doing this

because we don't believe

in abortion."

**Matt Bocart** 

St. Joseph High School's

freshman class president

in Indiana; one is located South Bend.

Right Life and other advocacy groups represented at the protest work to end abortions through

demonstrations, phone trees to inform legislators about pro-life acts and placement of anti-abor-

"If we can save even 10 babies' lives, we're doing pretty well," said Phil Mclane, president of Right to Life in South

Alan Bowman, a chaplain at St. Joseph Medical Center who attended Monday's rally, counselors young women who have had an abortion. He frequently observes the emotional trauma many women experience after an abortion.

"I deal with what happens after the fact," Bowman said.
"There's usually a tough time with the guilt present; the pain, anguish, hurt. I see this [protest] as a way to prevent all of that."

# D.C. holds abortion protest

Associated Press

WASHINGTON Thousands of emotional demonstrators took their message that abortion is evil to the steps of the Supreme Court on Monday to mark the 27th anniversary of the Roe vs. Wade decision that made the procedure legal.

'Abortion is killing," Germaine Renzi, Beltsville, Md., mother of nine, said shortly before the march up Constitution Avenue began. "Everyone wants to talk about the woman's body. What about the rights of the child?"

"The personhood of the unborn child is the real issue," added Bill O'Brien of Wolcott, Conn.

As police in riot gear kept a watchful eye, demonstrators rallied near the White House, then trooped up Capitol Hill to the high court's building behind the

Carrying signs that read "The Natural Choice Is Life" and "Face It Abortion Kills," printed around a baby's face, scores of protesters made their way into congressional buildings to lobby lawmakers and especially to push for restrictions on a form of abortion opponents call partial-birth abortion.

The abortion debate has raged continuously since the landmark Jan. 22, 1973, decision. Many of the protesters said they have traveled to Washington every year since then to vent their

"By doing something like this, it's stirring people's emotions up," said Paula Quinn, a protester from Gaithersburg, Md. "This is about saving babies' lives."

Jatrice Martel Gaiter, president of Planned Parenthood of Metropolitan Washington, said she believes in the right to peaceful protest but added: Reproductive freedom should remain a personal and private decision between a woman and her family, a woman and her doctor, a woman and her

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### MIS

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Electronic commerce — or ecommerce - integrates business systems to allow people to buy and sell products and services over the Internet. MIS majors study the hardware, software, accounting, finance, operations, marketing and human resource management that allow a marketplace to exist in cyberspace.

Junior Benjamin Stiller, an MIS major since his sophomore year, recognizes the importance of the field.

'You're not seeing as rapid a growth in computer science. MIS is trying to make computer-oriented managers who also have the technical skills needed for today's business," Stiller said. "MIS is turning computer geeks into business leaders.

With such increasing growth and interest in the field, the University has turned its focus to improvement and expansion.

"While the college has been able to bring our MIS faculty from four to six, further additions are necessary to meet the students' needs and interest, as well as to achieve excellence in our offerings," Woo said. "Given the advances in technol-

ogy and the significance of ecommerce, we need to step up our teaching and research in the MIS area

"This will require new curriculum development, major research initiatives, and increasing the number of sections so as to broaden access to such courses by all Notre Dame students," she continued. "Our hope is that we will be at the leading edge in helping students envision new opportunities and bring these about in this highly energized environ-

Now, thanks to a gift of more than \$2 million by University alumnus Joseph Giovanini and his wife Jane, the MIS program will expand to satisfy the continued increase in interested students

"In the past few years, we have made strides in hiring new faculty and increasing our MIS offerings," Matta said. "With the generous gift of Mr. and Mrs. Giovanini, we will be able to hire a distinguished faculty member in the field of MIS, one that will take the leadership in expanding our offerings in the emerging field of e-commerce, give us visibility in the academic and professional communities, and one that will lead our research efforts in this important area.'

Matta and Woo recognize the importance of an endowed pro-

The University has already established the Joseph and Jane Giovanini Chair in MIS, which will be used to attract a renowned MIS professor to join the Notre Dame faculty. The search for such a person is currently under way," Matta said.

The popularity of MIS is evident in other funding resources. Students such as Jenks and Stiller currently utilize an MIS lab in COBA, made possible by a donation from Anderson Consulting.

Jenks hopes that the Giovanini's endowed professorship will allow previous resources to be directed towards other needs within the

"I say that money will go to good use. We have a limited number of classes and they are just starting to expand that," he

In addition, Stiller hopes the donation will raise MIS aware-

"A lot of people don't know what the major is yet. Whenever I tell someone I am an MIS major, they always ask me to explain it," he said. 'We're no longer monkeys on typewriters — we deal with people and business.'

# ND Press publishes book on marriage

Special to the Observer

"Wing to Wing, Oar to Oar: Reading on Courting and Marrying," edited by Amy Kass and Leon Kass, both faculty members of the University of Chicago, was recently published by the University of Notre Dame

An anthology of 60 selections from a wide variety of sources, the book is intended to address the contemporary culture's occluded understand and diminished expectations of the love

that leads to marriage. It includes marriage vows and blessings from Christian, Jewish, Muslim and Hindu traditions as well as reading form various philosophers and writers.

According to the Kasses, these deeply silvered mirrors bequeathed to us from the past [enable] us to see ourselves the way we truly are — and could be" and are "useful not only for self-understanding but even for conducting his or her own courtship or for better educating our children toward the promise of marriage

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# Hesburgh

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of blacks from so much of society was decidedly un-American.

"How can you pursue happiness if you are barred from so many things?" Hesburgh asked. The recommendations of the commission and

the hard work of President Lyndon Johnson led to the Universal Civil Rights Act of 1964 that addressed all the issues the commission had stud-

The results of the law could be seen immediately, Hesburgh explained. On the day the act was passed, two black lawyers that worked for the committee walked into the best hotel in Jackson,

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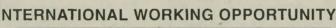
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Miss., and reserved two rooms. They then went to the best restaurant and reserved a table before watching "Cat on a Hot Tin Roof" in the best theater in town. All of these activities would have been impossible before the law.

"For the first time in 200 years, two black men had been able to do these things," Hesburgh said. 'That was the majesty of the law. Southern states obeyed the act with grace and courtesy because it was the law and they respected the law.

Despite all the advances made in regards to civil rights on campus and throughout the country, Hesburgh still feels that there is work to be done and that people understand more work is needed.

"I am happy at least that no one is saying we are doing fine," he said. "The reports I read say we are not doing fine and we need to do better.'



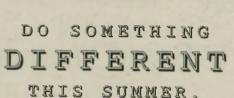


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#### WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

#### Rights groups seek new examination for Pinochet

Human rights groups launched a new legal challenge Monday aimed at countering a finding by British doctors that Gen. Augusto Pinochet is unfit to stand trial. Belgium and Spain also demanded a new medical examination of the 84-year-old former Chilean dictator. The human rights groups met a deadline set by Home Secretary Jack Straw for submitting information to support their opposition to his Jan. 11 announcement that he is inclined to release Pinochet on medical grounds. Amnesty International and five other groups said they also plan to file a suit Wednesday in High Court challenging the Jan. 5 medical examination of Pinochet by four British spe-

#### Croats turn out for election

ZAGREB, Croatia

In a contest seen as a turning point in Croatia's modern history, voters showed up in large numbers Monday to select a leader to succeed their late authoritarian president. The three front-runners among the nine presidential candidates have pledged to make a clean break from the policies of President Franjo Tudjman, who died Dec. 10, and lead Croatia into genuine democracy. Stipe Mesic, Drazen Budisa and Mate Granic led the field ahead of the elections, pledging to end the country's international isolation and to encourage greater integration with the West. A total of 4.2 million voters, including citizens in 48 countries abroad, were eligible to vote. The first results were to be announced early Tuesday. By late afternoon, about 55 percent of voters inside the country had cast ballots, according to the state electoral commission.

#### Congress returns for session

WASHINGTON

Congress is returning for a session in which patients rights, prescription drugs for Medicare beneficiaries, gun control and tax cuts will be debated against a background of election-year politicking. Both the House and Senate convened today for the second half of the 106th Congress, although there will be little action until President Clinton delivers his State of the Union address to a joint session Thursday night. "Everybody seems to be in good spirits and ready to go to work," said Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss. But Democrats quickly picked up the political sniping that characterized the first year of the session ending last November. "This House will complete month one of the new millennium with no action either on this floor or in committee on any of the major issues that this country faces," said Rep. Lloyd Doggett, D-**Texas** 

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Supporters of 6-year-old Cuban boy Elian Gonzalez march in Miami's Little Havana neighborhood this weekend. Monday, a group of Florida lawmakers introduced a bill in the Senate that would grant Gonzalez U.S. citizenship. The measure may come up for a vote as early as Wednesday.

# Bill proposes citizenship for Elian

**Associated Press** 

WASHINGTON Congress bestowed American citizenship on Winston Churchill and Mother Teresa, and awarded it posthumously to Raoul Wallenberg, the Swedish diplomat who saved tens of thousands of Hungarian Jews in World War II. But the extraordinary power has been used rarely - and never for a minor child against a parent's wishes.

On Monday, Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott and a group of Florida lawmakers put in motion a

process to give citizenship to 6-year-old Cuban refugee Elian Gonzalez, without his father's consent.

Lott, R-Miss., told the Senate the bill "to grant citizenship to this young boy" could come up for debate as soon as Wednesday.

Sponsors hoped to whisk it through Congress quickly, largely to remove the case from the jurisdiction of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, which has ruled that the boy should be returned to his father in Cuba. Passage would also render moot a federal court appeal of the INS ruling by Elian's great-uncle,

sponsors said.

This moves the decisionmaking out of the hands of the INS and into the hands of the (state) courts," Sen. Connie Mack, R-Fla., the chief Senate sponsor, told a news conference.

Late Monday, Mack formally introduced the measure in the Senate, and Lott invoked a parliamentary procedure designed to bring it before the chamber as early as Wednesday for debate. A vote Wednesday was possible, but both sides said they doubted final action would occur until next week at the ear-

At the White House, and the law dictate.

spokesman Joe Lockhart declined to say what President Clinton would do if Congress passed the bill sign it or veto it - but said the White House would consider the matter after Congress acts. The president has indicated he does not believe Congress should get involved.

There is a real danger here that this can become a political issue, that this young boy will be a political football," Lockhart said. "And I think the president has made it very clear to everyone that they ought to stay away from politics here and stick to what the facts

#### THAILAND

# Hospital standoff ends after 22 hours

Associated Press

**RATCHABURI** Thai security forces stormed a hospital Tuesday where heavily armed insurgents from Myanmar had trapped hundreds of patients, visitors and staff in a 22-hour hostage drama.

Automatic weapons fire crackled and explosions thudded from inside the hospital, possibly from grenades or mines that the hostage-takers had rigged after taking it over Monday morning.

Reporters in front of the sprawling hospital compound throughout the daylong crisis had been steadily moved back by police. When the assault began, journalists could see trucks and jeeps filled with police and soldiers speeding into the walled, six-acre hospital compound.

Sporadic gunfire and occasional explosions were still ringing out over the compound more than 15 minutes after the operation began.

There were no initial reports on casualties in the which

launched in the predawn

The rebels belonging to God's Army, an insurgent group led by 12-year-old twins, took the hostages in an attempt to pressure the Thai government to help their beleaguered movement.

The rebels, who reportedly were aided by dissidents from the group that took control of Myanmar's embassy in Bangkok last October, wanted helicopters to make their escape.

The rebels had released at least 40 patients Monday afternoon, some in exchange for food, and dozens of others escaped. Those freed included a pregnant 18-year-old who went into labor and an 8year-old boy in a coma after brain surgery

The takeover began at dawn when the raiders hijacked a Thai bus near the border with Myanmar and forced the driver to take them 45 miles to Ratchaburi.

About 10 rebels wearing camouflage gear and masks forced their way into Ratchaburi provincial

### Bush

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Bush may not be a conservative, but he cleared that up for members of our group this weekend," said Fava.

Patrick Pierce, associate professor of political science at Saint Mary's College, said if Bush wins the Republican party nomination, he may be forced to grapple with the problem of appeasing members of the extreme right in the Republican party.

Bush will have to try and pacify those cultural conservatives in the party for now," he said. "But if he wins the party's nomination, as he makes his bid for the presidential election in November, he will have to put a gag on those people

"It's not as though Bush has always towed the Republican party line, but he has party connections that he has used to keep the cultural conservatives in the party from revolting.

Accused in previous months of being vague on giving a stance on issues, Bush may be able to continue with this approach.

'If things are going well, expect Bush to run a very vague, compassionate conservative campaign," said Pierce. "If he does this, it will be an indication that things are going swimmingly for him.

Last week, Bush cleared up questions surrounding his stance on abortion, reassuring members of the Christian right in the Republican Party that he shares their views.

Bush said he would not make a pledge to appoint a vice president or judges who were prolife but wanted them first and foremost to be qualified for the position. He said that legalizing abortions should be up to state legislatures and should not have been decided by the federal government. Bush also said he would work to encourage fewer abortions through encouraging adoptions and abstinence education.

Fava said in coming months, candidates may be forced to become more specific in their stance on issues.

"As the campaigns go on, candidates have to start defining themselves not by broadbased specifics, but get down to the nitty gritty in what they believe," said Fava.

Taking a moderate conservative stance on issues has its price for Bush. If Bush wins the Republican presidential nomination, some worry that he may not be able to distinguish himself enough from the democratic nominee, particularly if it is Vice President Al Gore.

Since the country has enjoyed a strong economy under a president who is a Democrat, voters may

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not feel the elect Republican, said Sean Savage, associate professor of political science at Saint Mary's.

"With the current state of the economy and foreign

policy, the plurality of the voters in the middle could decide, 'Let's play it safe and keep things the way they are and elect Gore," said Savage.

The economic prosperity enjoyed under President Clinton may not be enough to convince voters to elect another Democrat, said Fava

"America as a whole has had so much thrown at it over the past seven years that I don't know if Gore could distance himself enough from Clinton to win the White House," said

Pierce said voters may not

benefit the economic prosperity will be for Gore or Bradley, said Pierce. "I'm not sure that Bush will have to do much different in the way of running his campaign if he wins the

Republican nomination. After winning the Republican race in the lowa caucus Monday, Bush has a strong momentum carrying him into the New Hampshire primary on Feb. 1.

"He's really in the driver's seat and it would be surprising if he lost New Hampshire," said Pierce. "Even if things didn't develop well in New Hampshire and he didn't win by a large margin, none of the opponents on the Republican side can mount a viable challenge to

Bush is also using his moderate Republican record as governor of Texas, an office he has held since 1994, to his advantage. Bush has focused on education and crime during his time in office in Texas. Many of the initiatives Bush has signed into law focus on limited government and local control.

In 1995, he signed into law a

new education code that decentralized public education, restoring control to local school districts and passed an initiative to end social promotion in schools

Bush also abolished

mandatory release for criminal offenders and passed the "two strikes and you're out" law for sexual offenders. The law requires that after the convictence and no parole.

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# ND prof examines media influence on Clinton campaign

By ERIN LaRUFFA News Writer

During presidential candidate Bill Clinton's 1992 visit to Notre Dame, creative writing professor William O'Rourke sat in the front row of the Stepan Center to watch the speech.

Describing his view from that seat, O'Rourke opened his book, "Campaign America '96: The View from the Couch," which Notre Dame Press recently republished in a paperback edi-

"What was clear on Clinton's flushed red face was that he was enjoying this. The Secret Service men did not look happy. Clinton did," O'Rourke wrote in the book, originally published in

With a combination of political analysis and cultural history, the book recounts the 1996 presidential campaign through a series of journal entries O'Rourke kept from January to November of that year.

O'Rourke's goal was to show "how a campaign is consumed in this country instead of how it is produced." The book is unique because it is based on what O'Rourke learned through the media as a campaign out-

"The media tries to make the hidden unhidden, and they certainly did a good job of that," O'Rourke said. "The media tries to make the government transparent so people can see what their government is really like."

Relying in part on videotapes, O'Rourke watched both political commercials and news coverage on television, which has been part of campaigns since the famous 1960 Kennedy-Nixon debate. O'Rourke also read newspapers and magazines and listened to talk radio for the book.

'You don't have an election

without the media ... The only way that somebody is known is by people paying attention," said O'Rourke. Television is especially powerful in reaching what is known as the "swing vote," those undecided voters candidates work to win over.

Despite the importance of the press, it does not have the ability to completely determine the outcome of an election, said O'Rourke.

'Culture is larger than the media ... There are forces in society that are bigger than how they get shown," he said.

At the same time, O'Rourke is also very critical of the media.

"The book is a book of press criticism." said O'Rourke, noting that television networks often hire political commentators who formerly worked for politicians.

The press shouldn't be part of what they're criticizing ... I said a lot of critical things about a lot of people, but that's because they're public figures and someone should criticize them," O'Rourke said.

At first he intended the book to be for people who do not watch television, but he soon realized that those people were not interested in reading about TV either.

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### Ticket distribution irks students

By KATE NAGENGAST News Writer

Many students who spent fall semester abroad and missed an opportunity this summer to purchase tickets for Irish men's basketball were surprised to find season ticket packages

"We sent ticket applications to all the students' homes during the summer," said James Fraleigh, director of Ticketing and Marketing. "So they've had several months to buy season basketball tickets. We've sold basketball tickets this way for a few years now, and we'll probably continue with this method for at least another two or

But this year is different. In the midst of an exciting season under new head coach Matt Doherty, Notre Dame pulled out a 75-70 road victory against

University of Connecticut over semester break.

Subsequently, the rematch, scheduled for Feb. 12 at the JACC, sold out two weeks ago, rendering season tickets unavailable.

"According to the form sent home over the summer, there was an Aug. 1 deadline to pur-

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would seem that the students have had over six months to buy season tickets. If they missed that opportunity, individual tickets are still available at general admission pricing for every game except UConn.

Regardless of students' dedication to basketball, \$8 per game is significantly more the \$3.75 per game provided by season ticket purchases.

Season tickets were sold for \$45 provided and admission to the 12 home games.

"I left for London early in August so l wasn't aware that a form was sent home," said Jacqueline Schmidt, a junior in Walsh Hall. "I'm disappointed that I won't be able to

out," said Fraleigh. "I guess it buy tickets for the student price or attend games with my friends in the student section.

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# Bush, Gore earn decisive victories in Iowa caucus

Associated Press

Gov. George W. Bush of Texas and Vice President Al Gore were the clear victors in the Iowa presidential caucuses tonight as voters — although just a few of them — for the first time affirmed their positions as frontrunners for their parties' nominations.

In the Republican race, Steve Forbes, the wealthy publisher who had pumped millions into the race, finished second, roughly tripling the 10 percent he drew here four years ago.

Alan Keyes, a former State Department official who, like Forbes had courted the religious right, was third, outpacing another religious conservative, Gary Bauer. Senator John McCain, who did not campaign here, won a handful of votes, and Senator Orrin Hatch of Utah came in last.

With 41 percent of the vote, Bush, a two-term governor in his first try for national office, surpassed the 37 percent that Bob Dole drew in a six-candidate field in 1988. Bush had set that figure as his goal.

Yet in a sign of the potency that the abortion issue held here, his results did not match the total votes of Forbes, Keyes and Bauer, who all criticized Bush as being soft on the question.

In the Democratic race, Gore outpolled former Senator Bill Bradley of New Jersey 63 percent to 35 percent. The outcome was a setback for Bradley, who had campaigned aggressively in the state.

The victors hope their triumphs will embolden their campaigns in the nation's first primary on Tuesday Hampshire.

But Bush and Gore face different political landscapes there — as well as polls showing that they are neck and neck with McCain and Bradley.

In fact, some New Hampshire voters pride themselves on not following the . lead of Iowa.

Moreover, Bush and Gore are no doubt aware that while this state has been at the epicenter of American politics, the results have been far from a reliable indicator of who will end up at the White House, or even win their parties' nomination.

The state is hardly representative of the nation — it is over-whelmingly white — and those who participated tonight tended to be more conservative or liber-

Although the showings of Forbes, who drew 30 percent, and Keyes, who captured 14 percent, underscored the potency of religious conservative voters in these caucuses, Bush drew a substantial proportion of their support as well, according to surveys of voters entering the caucuses. Mr. Bauer tallied 9 percent; McCain, 5 percent; and

Hatch, 1 percent.

For more than a year, Bush has towthe ered over Republican field because of his recordbreaking fund-raising, impressive poll numbers and endorsements. Now, the first voters declared him the leader as well.

Bush, smiling as he watched the coverage in his hotel suite here, declared victory barely 45 minutes after the caucuses had opened. 'We've had a recordshattering victory," he said, "and I never dreamt I'd be able to get such a high vote

Later, at a rally in Des Moines, Bush said: "Tonight marks the first election of the new millenium. The beginning of the process by which America will choose the president to lead us into the 21st gentury.

Gore's victory marked a comeback of sorts. For months he had been worried about Bradley's surging campaign.

The Bradley operation had spent more than \$2 million. But Gore benefited from the support of labor and much of the state's Democratic establishment

Democratic caucuses

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Source: Compiled from AP wire reports

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An ebullient Gore, at a rally late tonight, declared, "Thank you for the biggest victory of the contested caucuses here in Iowa. Wow! Thank you.

It was a far cry from the 1988 presidential campaign when Gore skipped Iowa, deriding the caucus system as "madness" and calling it "the small state of Iowa.'

Gore conceded that he faced far different competition in New Hampshire. "I don't think there's any such thing as the socalled 'bounce,'" he said of the prospect that his victory here

Results as of

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would give him a lift in New Hampshire. "That race must be won on his own terms.'

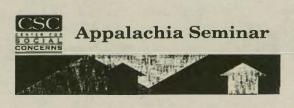
Conceding his loss, Bradley also said he was gearing for a hard-fought contest in New Hampshire. "Let me congratulate the vice president on his strong showing tonight," Bradley said. "He's an opponent who is tough and I know I'll be seeing a lot of him in the coming

He added: "Tonight, I have a little bit more humility, but no less confidence that I can do that job.

Results as of

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Forbes also warned that the fight had only begun. He asserted that his second-place finish "demonstrates that ideas matter, principles matter - and if you have a strong conservative message, you can get broadbased support within the conservative party.'



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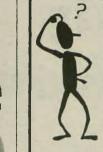
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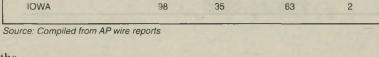
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#### CAMPUS LIFE COUNCIL

# Group questions fairness of students use of old tests

By HELENA RAYAM News Writer

Campus Life Council questioned the fairness of students' use of old tests to study for classes at Monday's meeting.

"Some students gather these old tests and use them to guess what questions professors will ask, and some students raid them so other people can't use them," said Fisher Hall senator Phil Dittmar.

Senators worried that students have unequal access to old files because many dorms have tests not made available by professors, and thus students have varying resources.

"Professors should know that dorm files exist," said Coalition Council representative Michael Fierro.

The use of dorm files raises concerns as to whether or not the practice violates the Honor Code, which states that students should have a fair advantage in academic situations. Students in dorms with substantial test files have an advantage, Dittmar said.

"You're getting to some real-

ly dicey areas," said Faculty Senator Dean Ava Preacher. "The code is meant to be stu-

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**Ava Preacher** 

**Faculty Senator Dean** 

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Preacher suggested that professors clarify their policies regarding the use of old tests

and also that students can reevaluate their treatment of the Honor Code. She has noticed a general misunderstanding among students as to what constitutes cheating in several areas, including using old tests.

"We've had kind of an explosion of Honesty Code cases," said Preacher.

Student body president Micah Murphy suggested that

a discussion take place between the Committee on Academic Honesty, Faculty

Senate and A c a d e m i c Council.

"It is also important to not imply that the students who are using [the old tests] are cheating," said Murphy.

"A lot of time, I have profes-

sors that will encourage us to look at old tests," Fierro said, adding that other professors do not want students to utilize old tests.

"Creating exams that adequately test material is difficult," vice president for Residence Life Bill Kirk said, explaining why some professors use similar test questions.

Kirk recommended that professors who do not want students to use old tests make that clear to the students. In his classes, he chooses not to allow students to use old tests and tells them that they will be in violation of the Honor Code if they do.

"I don't think this is just unique to Notre Dame," said Knott Hall rector Brother

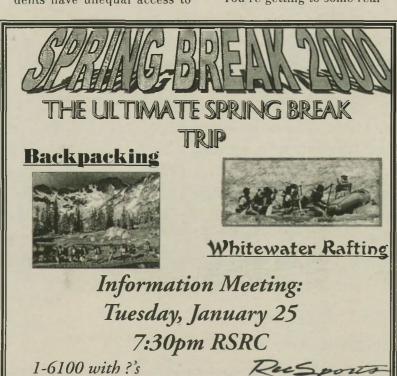
Jerome Meyer

Although other universities allow the use of old tests, Notre Dame's Honor Code examines the fairness of old tests. The CLC wants to resolve the issue so that no student is at a disadvantage.

#### In other CLC news:

The Alcohol Committee will send a formulated questionnaire to rectors to get their opinions on alcohol abuse and dealing with parties.

"We're trying to evaluate the consistency of policies across campus," said off-campus senator Pat Foy.

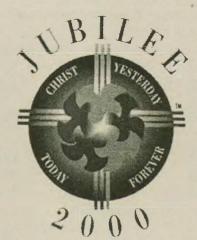




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Come to Me all you who labor and are heavily burdened, And I will give you rest...



I make a holy hour each day in the presence of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. All my sisters of the Missionaries of Charity make a daily holy hour as well, because we find that through our daily holy hour our love for Jesus becomes more intimate, our love for each other more understanding, and our love for the poor more compassionate..."

- Mother Teresa

Jesus is here with us in the Eucharist to give us answers- answers that will lead us to truth, happiness and peace. In this culture of death, it is easy for people to become weary and indifferent to God and His gift of life. People often fall short of their obligation to care for and nurture the spiritual and physical lives of themselves and others. Eucharistic Adoration gives a person the opportunity to nurture his own spiritual life, as well as the spiritual lives of others (through prayer for them.) Prayer also protects the physical lives of those endangered by abortion, euthanasia and other forms of violence. This is because, it is only through the grace which comes from prayer that other's hearts can be changed from seeking death to loving life. Christ gives us the strength to press on in our battle for life. In order to be Christ-like in our service to preserve life, we must be filled with His life through prayer. To be Christian, we must follow Christ. If He is not the source of all we do, it is worth nothing. We ask you to join us in prayer for life...

#### What is Eucharistic Adoration?

God is present to us in many ways in our world, but He is especially present to us in the Eucharist. As Roman Catholics, we believe that Jesus Christ, who lived 2000 years ago, is truly present in the Eucharist. In Eucharistic Adoration, the Host is placed in a monstrance, in order for us to be able to come and pray. Jesus is always hidden in the tabernacle, but in adoration he is exposed so that we can come and kneel before Him, face to face, and speak with our God. When Jesus is exposed like this, He can never be left alone. Thus, people sign up to be responsible to some and pray with Him for a certain amount of time (usually 1 hour) every week.

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If Jesus were to come to the JACC, would you come and stand in line for ours just to talk to Him for a minute? Even if you weren't Christian, wouldn't you be at least interested in this God so may people talk about? Well, Jesus is truly, physically present here on campus- in the Eucharist. IN ADORATION YOU HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO GO AND SPEAK WITH YOUR GOD FACE TO FACE. You confide in Him, plead with Him, question Him. And if you sit quietly enough, he will inspire you with answers.

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When you enter the chapel, you should genuflect as a sign of reverence to Jesus. It is common practice during Adoration to genuflect on two knees, instead of just one (like you do whenever you enter a chapel.) You can stand, sit, or kneel- whatever position you pray best in. And then you pray. There are many ways to pray: you can do spiritual reading; you can pray a rosary; you can sit in silence; you can even just talk to Jesus- like you would to a friend. The most important thing is that you love Him and allow Him to love and strengthen you.

#### What does the Church think?

"Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, whether in a pyx or a monstrance, is a recognition of the wondrous Presence of Christ in the sacrament and stimulates us to unite ourselves to Him in a spiritual communion. It is, accordingly, eminently in harmony with the worship which we owe Him in spirit and truth..."

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# Clinton targets male-female pay gap

Associated Press

WASHINGTON President Clinton appealed Monday to members of Congress to "do the right thin" by closing the wage gap between working women and men. He suggested they could start by approving his \$27 million plan to bolster enforcement of equal pay laws.

"I made this request last year, and Congress failed to pass it," Clinton said as he looked out at about 10 lawmakers who attended the White House ceremony where he announced the proposal. "I hope you will help us do this."

But the chairmen of two House committees that deal with workforce issues noted that money for equal employment enforcement already is at its highest level ever. They accused Clinton of trying to gain a political advantage by timing his announcement to coincide with the Iowa presidential caucuses

"It is no accident that he has

repackaged an initiative that went nowhere last year and unveiled it on the day that the election season officially begins," Reps. Bill Goodling, R-Pa., and John Boehner, R-Ohio, said in a joint statement. "We are optimistic that women voters will see through this flawed initiative and realize that it would serve primarily to ensure full employment for lawyers."

The president coupled his appeal with a request for Congress to approve a paycheck fairness act proposed by Sen. Tom Daschle, D-S.D. and Rep. Rosa DeLauro, D-Conn., which would direct federal agencies to collect data about wage disparities and increase penalties for violating equalpay statutes.

"Pass it. It's a good bill. There is no excuse not to pass it, Clinton said. "We need to clearly send the message that wage discrimination against women is just as unacceptable as discrimination based on race or

Clinton was joined by Michelle Akers, a member of the U.S. women's World Cup championship soccer team. Akers and her teammates have been boycotting training because they say they are paid less than the men's soccer team. They want raises from \$3,150 per month to \$5,000, plus bonuses of \$2,000 per

"I want to stand here today for the women who have no voice," Akers said. "Women's sports and the view of women has changed a ton. However, we still have a ways to go. The battle is not over. We are still being discriminated against."

Sharon Long, of Baltimore, was testament to that. The lone female purchasing agent for a heating and air conditioning wholesaler, she lost her job in 1994 after she suspected she was paid far less than her male counterparts and asked for a raise. She filed a complaint with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission and some years later, her case was settled for \$200,000.

'Justice prevailed for me, but I know there are many more women out there going through the same experience I survived," Long said.

Women earn an average of 75 cents for every \$1 men are paid, a disparity Clinton has noted in the past as evidence of social injustice. For women of color, he said, the disparity is even greater: 64 cents for black women and 55 cents for Hispanic women.

'How would you like to show up for work every day, but only get to take home three out of every four paychecks?" Clinton asked. "It's not a women's issue. If a woman with a family is being denied equal pay for equal work, then her husband

suffers.

# **Dorm fire victims** mourned at funeral

"We say that Seton Hall

is a family, and it is. We,

like yourselves, have lost

a son."

**Thomas Peterson** 

**Seton Hall University chancellor** 

Associated Press

LONG BRANCH, N.J. The teen-age pallbearers cried all the way up the aisle, their faces contorted, their sobs echoing off the marble floors and wooden rafters of St. Jerome Roman Catholic Church.

In the pews, Frank Caltabilota Jr.'s classmates and friends listened intently to the priest's words, dabbing at their noses with tissues and wiping away tears. His mother sat in a front pew, clutching a teddy bear, her husband's arm draped over her shoulders

"Why did Frankie have to die so young?" asked the Rev. Frederick Jackiewicz. "We have no answers for these questions. We do not understand the ways of God.

We try to the best of our limited ability to understand, but we cannot."

The heartbreaking

tableau was mirrored in two other New Jersey churches as three Seton Hall University freshmen who died in a dormitory fire last week were laid to rest. Like Caltabilota, John Giunta, 18, and Aaron Karol, 18, were remembered as upbeat, selfless, promising young men.

In West Long Branch, more than 800 people filled the church for the service for Caltabilota, who aspired to a career in medicine. Those who could not get a seat were ushered downstairs, where a video monitor was set up to broadcast the proceedings.

University chancellor Thomas Peterson was among 450 people who crowded into St. John the. Evangelist Roman Catholic Church in Dunellen to say

goodbye to Karol, a soccer enthusiast and criminal justice major who hoped to someday work for the FBI.

We say that Seton Hall is a family, and it is," Peterson said. "We, like yourselves, have lost a son.'

Three busloads of Seton Hall students went to Vineland, where about 500 people turned out for Giunta's funeral Mass at St. Francis of Assissi Roman Catholic Church.

Giunta, an elementary education major who aspired to teaching in the inner city, was remembered as a generous, loyal person with a great future.

"He seemed like he had a dream ahead of him. He knew what he wanted to do," said John Henderson, 21, of Vineland, a high school classmate.

At Seton Hall, meanwhile, some freshmen returned to

their rooms at Boland Hall for the first time since the fire.

Residents of the first two floors allowed to move back into their

rooms, while third, fourth and fifth floor residents were being relocated, university officials said. The university banned media from the South Orange campus until a Tuesday memorial service.

The fire broke out around 4:30 a.m. Wednesday on the third floor of Boland Hall, a six-story dormitory that housed 640 people. Five remained hospitalized Monday, four in critical condition with burns.

Investigators have been interviewing students and others. Essex County Prosecutor Donald Campolo has said arson, careless smoking or electrical problems have not been ruled out. He would not comment on the status of the investigation Monday.

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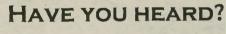
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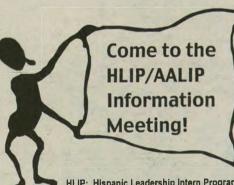
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# "Dome afterglow" still remains

A semester ago, I began attending classes at Notre Dame. I even confessed in my very first column on September 13 that I had "the standard, goofy, freshman-like, first-month-at-Notre-

Dame-and-justcan't-believe-it grin on my face." I was told that that would wear off eventually and I would come to realize that Notre Dame is not the Utopia I thought it would be. So thought I would review the events of the last semester and see just how much "Dome afterglow" I still have left, if any.

**Mike Marchand** 

Questionable Freedoms

My first couple of weeks of classes was a cornucopia of confusion. I didn't know where my classes were. One of them was in a room in O'Shaughnessy Hall that looked like a storage closet. I didn't know how to purchase football tickets. I was absolutely stunned by the \$350 I spent at the Bookstore, only to find that I ALSO needed to purchase "course packets" at not just one location, but two: the Copy Shop at LaFortune and the Copy Center in O'Shag. I had to wait in a long line and fork over \$79 to get a parking permit, only to find that it was for the most outof-the-way parking area, C1/Joyce South. I found out that lunches at SDH cost a whopping \$7 a pop and dinners were \$8.81. I had problems figuring out my e-mail account and web page. I was forced to drop the storage-closet class because I was late or absent three times in the first week and a half.

I finally caught some breaks in the

second week of September. In that week, I landed auditions on WSND's Nocturne" program and WVFI. My brief comments about the Michigan game made the Letters To The Editor section of The Observer, and I was offered a position as a biweekly columnist. For the next few hours after that, all I was capable of saying was, "Whooooo!"

However, the euphoria was shortlived: I didn't get on Nocturne and WVFI's broadcast was limited to students-only by the Administration. Then there was the football season. The worst part was seeing Notre Dame "fans" who supposedly pride themselves on pride and good nature throw tantrums and call for Bob Davie's head on a sharpened stick because of mistakes his players made

Despite the off-the-field turmoil that reigned this season, I don't regret buying my tickets, attending every game, or watching every play of this year's team. Just being able to shout, "We are ND!" while actually being a part of the ND family was worth every penny and moment. Although the team's 5-7 record will not go down in Notre Dame lore as a great season, the comeback victories over Oklahoma, USC, and Navy will forever mark them as a team with great heart and class. Fellas, on behalf of the few true fans, thanks. And to those of you who feel that your worth as a future Notre Dame alumnus hinges on the record of the football team, not only do you have the wrong mindset for going here, you don't even DESERVE to be here. Go to Florida State, where you know those pesky things like character and doing the right thing will be sacrificed for football excellence and, the primary objective above all else, win-

My semester ended with possibly the

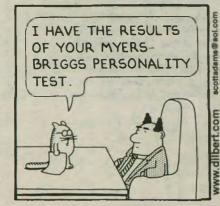
most grueling two weeks of my life. Four papers and four final exams filled a fortnight that saw me go from a mildmannered Notre Dame student to a snarling, irritable, cranky insomniac. Staying up until almost 7 a.m. to finish an American Literature paper probably didn't help matters any. Mind you, this is in the middle of DARTing for spring courses and all of the hosing that that entails. And, after the semester ended and I received less than \$40 back for over \$400 worth of books, the sanctions that the NCAA leveled against the aforementioned football program made it open season for sports pundits to slam the University AND its students. We're apparently arrogant snobs. Did you know that?

Finally, the new quasi-millennium arrived, and we were all shocked to learn that our computers, cars, coffeemakers, pacemakers, and cerebrums all still work and were unaffected by Y2K, although I was hoping that my bill would be whatever twenty-some thousand dollars was worth in 1900. And, in the midst of weather more representative of Saskatchewan than South Bend, I passed by the Golden Dome and reflected on my turbulent first semester. And, I'm pleased to report, the Dome shone just as brightly as it did in late August. Or, at least it would have, had the sun been out.

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#### QUOTE OF THE DAY

"My father told me all about the birds and the bees. The liar - I went steady with a woodpecker till I was twenty-one."

> **Bob Hope** Comedian

# Should the Confederate Flag still Hang?

Rank upon rank of men in Confederate uniforms marched through the streets of Columbia, South Carolina, with muskets on their shoulders. Their womenfolk were out in force to support them. The names of Confederate

war casualties were read out. It could have been 1861. Instead, it all happened two weeks ago in this brave new

James Tuck

U. of Southern California

year of 2000.

The marchers were part of a rally of 6,000 people protesting any move to haul down the Confederate battle flag which has flown from the dome of South Carolina's Statehouse for the last 38 years. That "stars and bars" flag continues to divide people as much as ever. Some see it as a symbol of hate, bondage and oppression; others view it as a vital part of Southern heritage, a defin-

ition of a whole culture. Last Monday, as our campus was closed to commemorate the Rev. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, the NAACP held a counter-rally in Columbia. The attendance numbers were astounding expecting 10,000 protesters, the organizers instead found themselves addressing a crowd of over 50,000 people. In addition, the NAACP has a tourism boycott in force against the state until the flag

the issue shortly.

The rhetoric being used is beginning to heat up with a senator by the name of Arthur Ravenel telling the pro-Confederate crowd last weekend that South

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Carolina's politicians should not bow to pressure from what he called the "National Association of Retarded People."

Well, that comment is easy to condemn as odious and repulsive. Indeed, the whole flag issue might look relatively straightforward to most of us who are part of a multi-racial student body on the West Coast. The flag should go. It's a part of history, a flag raised in an attempt to perpetuate slavery of African-Americans. It's the opposite of a liberty flag.

The controversy was addressed in the Republican presidential race. Texas Gov. George W. Bush as always took the safe, political course and won cheers during a debate in South Carolina by saying it was up to local people to decide. Arizona Sen. John McCain was more candid, saying, "I understand how it could be offensive to some people, but I had ancestors who fought in the Confederate Army and I thought they fought honorably."

Strangely, although a British citizen,

I'm in the same position as McCain. I'm a quarter-American, as my grandmother came from a proud society family in Baltimore. Like almost every other person with Southern links, I can claim to be related to Robert E. Lee. I own an antique chest at home with brass letters spelling L-E-E on it that's been passed down as a family heirloom.

My forbears fought under that Confederate flag. They were wrong. But they still form part of my personal history and it's hard to disown that. However, while remembering that history, I believe we should get beyond it. Move on and not get trapped like the toy soldiers marching in Columbia.

Like McCain, it could be said my ancestors fought honorably. My father gave me a memoir of one of those relatives, Lt. Col. Richard Snowden Andrews, who commanded the First Maryland Artillery. In the book, his wife said she was read-

ing the newspaper one day at breakfast in 1862, when she read he'd been fatally wounded at the Battle of Cedar Run. She refused to believe the report, rushed to the battlefield and found her gravely ill husband in a nearby farmhouse with most of his stomach blown away, but still alive. She nursed him back to health According to

his wife, Snowden Andrews felt there was only one thing for him to do when civil war broke out in 1861: "His heart was with the South, and the principle of **States Rights** was very dear to him.' Back in the

present day, supporters of the flag say the banner represents those states' rights against any interference by the federal government and it's not about race. That, to me, is complete nonsense. The main states' right the South is fighting for was the right to

was fighting for was the right to keep black men, women and children as slaves. What could be more racist?

There is heritage in that flag, but there is also evil, cancerous, ugly oppression. It has no place in this day and age and should be hauled down. Luckily, even in South Carolina that seems likely to happen. The latest opinion poll showed nearly 60 percent of citizens want the Confederate flag removed from the Statehouse.

Perhaps it's time the politicians looked to the future instead of the ugly past.

James Tuck is a student at the University of Southern California. This column first appeared in the Daily Trojan at the University of Southern California and is reprinted here courtesy of U-Wire.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

# Shop around before paying bookstore prices

The week before the Notre Dame/Boston College football weekend, my husband and I flew back to Notre Dame to visit our son and daughter-in-law, both graduate students at Notre Dame, attend the football game and more importantly for the Baptism of our grandson.

During that week, I made many trips to the new bookstore, checking out all of the items available. I decided to purchase the highball glasses (item 33B on page 33 of the Fall & Winter 1999/2000 catalog). On Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday the price was \$2.95. I didn't have my wallet at that time, so I decided to return on Thursday to beat the football crowds. Much to my surprise the old price was covered over with the new price of \$4.95.

I asked at the counter and was told there must have been a price increase. I said previously they had been \$2.95, which was the catalog price, and asked if I could purchase them at that price. I was told no ... \$4.95 was the new price. I don't know about the other items at the bookstore, but I thought a 69 percent increase in this item over a football weekend was absurd!

I'd recommend that you have friends or family wanting a Notre Dame souvenir to first shop at the local stores (J.C. Penney has a great selection) before going to the bookstore. If you must buy at the bookstore then do NOT go over a football weekend (or JPW, Graduation or Freshman Orientation). I never did buy the glasses. And by the way, the sticker price is now \$2.95. I guess there must have been a price decrease.

Maryanne Kearns Christenson Saint Mary's College '69 Visalia, CA January 20, 2000

# Marriage unnecessary for expressing love

We who read The Observer are frequently subjected to "carpe diem" pieces urging us never to regret that we have not let the people we love know how deeply we care about them. This lifestyle comes into direct conflict with saving sex until marriage.

This is not to say that physical love is the only way a relationship can be complete. However, making love IS without question one of the most incredible and precious thing two people can share together. Why should those who love each other wait to fully express their feelings?

Du Lac tells us that "a complete expression of love through sex requires a commitment of two persons in marriage." To me, the notion that the love two people have for one another is made official only when they are married and that any sex before that — no matter how in love the participants are — is somehow a less "complete" expression of love is ridiculous. And while I realize that this editorial will probably not convince any advocates of abstinence to change their outlook on things, I happen to have my own concept of love for God, and I honestly doubt that on Judgment Day I will be damned for loving someone so much that I wanted to share all of myself with her.

Ultimately, the decision on whether to wait or not is a personal one. I believe the only person you have to answer to is yourself, and I do agree that too many people rush into things they're not ready for and then regret it later. Regardless, I urge you: Don't wait until it's too late to let another person know how much they mean to you; it will only lead to regret and pain.

To love someone is to give all of yourself to that person, and to look at your partner at the end of it all and feel sublimely happy because you've shared something so incredible that neither of you will ever be the same again.

Love is a precious gift. Are you ready to accept it?

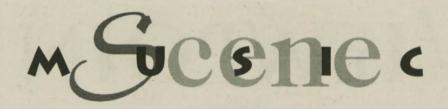
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# The 1999 Scene M

# Beck, Phish and the Red Hot Chili Peppers are at

Beck

#### Geoffrey Rahie



Best Albums of 1999

Pavement — Terror Twilight

It's cool to be a small band that is really big now

Widespread Panic — 'Til the Medicine Takes
This jam band figured out that you don't need 10-minute-long

songs to impress. The results are electrifying.

Counting Crows — This Desert Life Misery loves the Duritz Company

Red Hot Chili Peppers — Californication

This is how the Chili Peppers were meant to be.

Ben Folds Five — Unauthorized Biography of Reinhold Messner The most original release of the year. Ben and the boys tell the

story of a guy that dreams too much and has bad luck with women. It's very easy to relate to.

#### Best Concert of 1999 (tie)

Words cannot desribe a Phish show. The listener is dazzled with beautiful ballads, rocking numbers and epic masterpieces.

**Ben Folds Five** 

Talented, entertaining, musical. Bands should take a few tips from these guys.

#### **Best Albums of 1999**

American Football — American Football

They set the groove all while making things interesting and beauti-

The Get Up Kids — Something to Write Home About

Not as good as their debut, Four Minute Mile, but still a melodic and energetic effort. Florida Evans Showband & Revue — Made Simple

Just because they were a campus band doesn't mean they can't release one of the finest pop-rock albums of the year.

Post Marked Stamps — Various Artists
There is no better collection of underground music than this.

The Promise Ring — Very Emergency

The Promise Ring writes flawless emo/pop/punk songs about people, places and events.

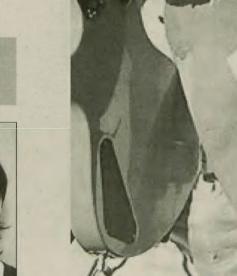
#### **Best Concert of 1999**

Braid, Alkaline Trio and Sarge

This was Braid's final performance in Chicago before breaking up. They were always indescribably amazing live, but they saved the best

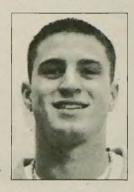








#### Corey Hartman



Best Albums of 1999

Rage Against the Machine — The Battle of Los Angeles

Front man de la Rocha's thunderous rhymes mixed with hard rock beats not only creates a powerful sound but a powerful message as

Red Hot Chili Peppers — Californication

For a band to release an album this good, and to arguably be the best performer at Woodstock this summer, 1999 was definitely their best year yet.

Fatboy Slim — You've Come A Long Way Baby

Hailing from the U.K., Fatboy Slim is now included in the likes of the Chemical Brothers and Crystal Method, and he deserves to be. New Radicals — Maybe You've Been Brainwashed Too

The New Radicals are far from a one-hit wonder. Unfortunately the

band has already broken up.

Dave Matthews And Tim Reynolds — Live at Luther College Classics by the band that are played in a softer and smooth melody with the addition of the gifted Tim Reynolds.

#### **Best Concert of 1999**

1999 Tibetan Freedom Concert

Rage Against the Machine, Eddie Vedder, the Beasties and Tibetan monks ... can you think of a better way to spend a Sunday?

#### James Schuyler



Best Albums of 1999

Ben Folds Five — Unauthorized Biography of Reinhold Meisner

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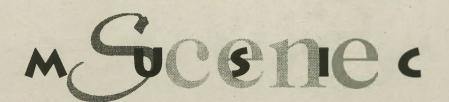
**Beck** — Midnight Vultures If it doesn't make you laugh, you don't get.

The Roots — Things Fall Apart Best complete rap album since Tougher than Leather.

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Best of the best from Philly blues.

**Best Concert of 1999** Dave Matthews and Tim Reynolds Finally, I can sit down.



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**Best Albums of 1999** 

**Beck** — Midnite Vultures

Beck provides listeners with a barrage of sound only he could mold

Jimi Hendrix — Live At Woodstock

Jimi's Woodstock performance, released in its entirety, is a complete historical account of Hendrix's technical mastery at this century's most important musical event.

The Big Wu — Tracking Buffalo Through the Bathtub

The Big Wu, with its funky, groove oriented sound, is sure to be an up and coming band among the underground jam scene. The Grateful Dead — So Many Roads (1965-1995)

This five-disc, 42-track set consists of unreleased material both from both studio and live performances.

Phish — Hampton Comes Alive

Finally, an album that captures the true essence of Phish: an official release of a live performance in its entirety, mastered to provide the highest quality sound "phans" can truly appreciate.

**Best Concert of 1999** Phish Fall Tour '99

I've never heard Phish play so tightly and spontaneously.





#### Georgette Legnard



**Best Albums of 1999** 

Red Hot Chili Peppers — Californication

The band mellows without losing its funk edge ... Keidis' lyrics have a new maturity

Sloan - Between the Bridges

Canadian quartet with a gift for harmony in their well crafted, bouncy songs. The best power pop CD you haven't heard.

Foo Fighters — There is Nothing Left to Lose

Dave Grohl brings hard rock/punk elements to the radio waves. It's the most polished Foos effort thus far. Beck — Midnite Vultures

A great follow-up to Odelay. Beck is a true innovator.

Kid Rock — Devil Without a Cause

I have to support my fellow Detroiter!

#### **Best Concert of 1999**

I didn't see one this year! But if Beck cmes around again, it's always an exhilarating, crowd-involved show

#### Best Albums of 1999

The Roots — The Roots Come Alive On this live double CD, first-time listeners get a taste of the Roots and Roots fans get the electricity of their live shows.

Guster — Lost and Gone Forever Any Guster record is a great investment. Counting Crows — This Desert Life

The Crows absolutely shine in this record. Many of the tracks are reminiscent of previous albums.

Ani DiFranco — To The Teeth Yet another masterpiece by Ms. DiFranco. Macy Gray — On How Life Is That voice is completely indescribable.

#### **Best Concert of 1999**

The Samples

The Samples are a guaranteed good time, and if you've never heard them, do so immediately.

Lisa SPUNG



Best Album of 1999

Chemical Brothers — Surrender

The Brothers take faithful listeners of electronica back to where it all began — the dance floor — with enormous success.

Vertical Horizons — Live Stages

Sit back, relax and let the boys of Vertical Horizons take you on a journey of their very best music. Easily the best live album of the

Tim McGraw — A Place In The Sun

Whether singing about heartache or love, McGraw creates one of the most enjoyable country albums in memory.

The "Loser" infuses soul and funk into his sometimes-chaotic blend of alterna-rock. The result is pure joy.

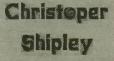
**Beck** — Midnite Vultures

Fatboy Slim - On The Floor At The Boutique This import from the guy who brought you the Rockefeller Skank may be the best live dance mix ever.

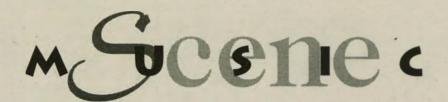
#### **Best Concert of 1999**

Bruce Springsteen and the E-Street Band

A million shows a venue. Sold out everywhere. The Boss. How can







### From Kid Rock to 'boy' bands to the fires of Woodstock, 1999 was a memorable end to the millennium

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**Best Albums of 1999** 

Method Man and Redman - Blackout

Two of the biggest names in hip hop together at last, you can't go wrong; best disc this year

Bis - Social Dancing This innovative band from Europe gets bigger and better with its newest release

Me First and the Gimme Gimmes — Are a

Showtunes have never seemed so cool; a great cover album.

Hot Boyz — Guerilla Warfare

New Orleans rappers Juvenile, Lil Wayne, Turk and BG speak words of wisdom that appeal to fans of both Phish and Cypress Hill.

Blink 182 — Enema of the State

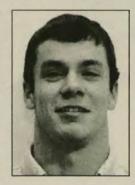
The immature punk trio do it again. The strong album deserves mention in a fairly weak year.

**Best Concert of 1999** 

**Chemical Brothers and Fatboy Slim** 

Techno artists are talented and these guys show it with every live performance.

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**Best Albums of 1999** 

Santana - Supernatural.

An exciting resurgence of Carlos Santana, one of rock and roll's most spirited guitar virtuosos

Dave Matthews and Tim Reynolds — Live at **Luther College** 

Dave Matthews gets back to the grass roots musical approach that made him and his band what they are today.

Bela Fleck and the Flecktones — Greatest Hits of the 20th Century

A compilation of some of the band's best musical performances

Umphrey's McGee — Songs for Older Women

The band's second release embodies its live sound, which has taken it far beyond the local South Bend bar scene.

Widespread Panic — 'Till the Medicine Takes Powerful and compelling enough to stay in your CD player for weeks.

**Best Concert of 1999** 

The shows at Deer Creek (Noblesville, Ind.) were a fantastic way to end the summer.

#### Best Albums of 1999

Wilco — Summer Teeth

An eclectic country/rock album from one of the best current bands you've never heard of

Built To Spill — Keep It Like a Secret

An excellently interwoven concept album from the veteran emo band. This album has some of the coolest lead guitar playing since Weezer.

Dwight Yoakam - Last Chance For A **Thousand Years** 

Thirteen classic songs from the best country

singer since Elvis Tom Petty and the Heartbreakers — Echo

Great new set of a type of music you don't hear too much of anymore- straight-ahead rock 'n' roll - and nobody does it better than Petty.

Guns 'N Roses — Live '87-'93

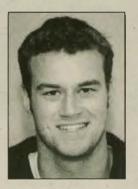
A great two-CD set that reminds us how awesome Axl, Slash and the rest of the crew was.

**Best Concert of 1999** 

Violent Femmes/The Promise Ring

I've never been as pumped up at a concert before as when the Femmes played "Add It Up" and "Kiss Off" to end the show.

Joseph Larson



**Best Albums of 1999** 

Where is my Mind, a tribute to the Pixies — **Various Artists** 

The band that inspired Nirvana finally gets some respect as today's great artists cover their favorite Pixies songs

Mike Ness — Cheating at Solitaire

The frontman of punk legends Social Distortion shows what he is made of on this bluesy album. Appearances by Bruce Springsteen and Brian Setzer show how respected Ness is in the indus-

Wilco — Summerteeth

From the ashes of Uncle Tupelo, Wilco continues to evolve its sound on its third album.

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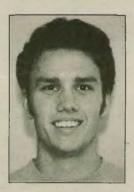
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Two of the greatest artists of the past 30 years got together on one stage to play some of the finest musical poetry of any age.

#### BOXING

# Tyson finds admirers in British children

Associated Press

Legs crossed and on their best behavior, dozens of children sat mesmerized. Only this

no puppet show: This was Mike Tyson at work in the boxing The for-

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heavy-



Tyson

weight champion knocked his sparring partner silly, dropping him to the canvas as two dozen kids fidgeted for a better look

Tyson, preparing to fight Julius Francis on Saturday in Manchester, removed his gloves, toweled off and joined his young fans.

For 25 minutes he signed autographs, posed for family snapshots, got on his knees to shadow box and feigned a knockout blow or two.

"It doesn't matter what anybody says about me," Tyson said. "I'm a totally different entity to what people think.

Tyson has been mobbed like a rock star since he arrived a week ago in England despite protests from a women's antirape group.

Tyson served half his sixyear sentence for a 1992 rape conviction.

His reception last week in racially mixed Brixton was compared to visits there by Muhammad Ali, Nelson Mandela and royalty.

Youngsters are admitted daily to his workouts. Tyson said playing with young fans after his workouts makes him think about his four children.

"I haven't seen my kids in a while," he said.

Shelly Finkel, Tyson's boxing

ing "his other side.

He loves kids," Finkel said. "When I went with him to the hospitals in Phoenix and reporters were there he kicked them out. He didn't want it as

Finkel recounted how Tyson had paid anonymously for the funeral of a young child killed in a drive-by shooting in 1998 in Phoenix

He recalled Monday how an unidentified black boxer once snubbed him for an autograph after he'd signed for dozens of

He said that left an emotional

"Now I understand," Tyson said. "It wasn't because he was an Uncle Tom, maybe. He was just tired ... but it hurt me so badly. It messed with me all my whole life. I was distorted by it. So I never wanted to make anyone feel the way I felt that time.

Tyson made a point to pose for family photos with 9-yearold Saba-Nur Mirza, who has a rare inherited heart disease and whose growth has been stunted to that of a 5-year-old.

The youngster, afflicted with Noonan's syndrome, was able to join the training session when her father, Steve Mirza, got a request through to Tyson on Sunday

"It's a disease they say only 400 people in the world have and we're trying to draw attention to it," said her mother, Wagar. "We're not asking for money. We just want to put the spotlight on her and see if we can get help in treatment."

Finkel said Tyson was accosted a few days ago while eating lunch in his plush Park Lane hotel.

"Someone comes up and says: "These are my kids. Will you put them through school?"' Finkel said. "It can be brutal."

#### **NBA**

# Jazz win after fight through OT

Associated Press

Karl Malone scored 31 points and John Stockton had 18 points, 15 assists and nine rebounds as the Utah Jazz outlasted the Los Angeles Lakers 105-101 in double overtime Monday night.

Quincy Lewis scored six points in the second overtime and Stockton added four as the Jazz sent the Lakers to their fourth loss in the last six

Jeff Hornacek, the NBA's top free throw shooter who had missed the last three games with knee and back strains, made two foul shots with 53 seconds left to make it 99-95 and added two more with 7.9 seconds to play to make it 101-96.

Kobe Bryant made a long 3pointer to cut it to 103-101 but Lewis sank two more free throws and the Jazz escaped with their fifth win in six

Shaquille O'Neal lead all scorers with 36 points and played 55 minutes but scored just four points after regulation. Bryant had 26 points on 9-of-24 shooting and Glen Rice added 20 for Los

The teams traded baskets through most of the first overtime before Stockton hit a 3pointer with 34 seconds left to put Utah up 91-89.

Bryant missed a shot but Rice rebounded and hit a turnaround jumper to tie it

Malone missed a 3-pointer at the buzzer to force another

Stockton, who has never had a triple-double in his 16 seasons, matched his career high in rebounds with nine and played a season-high 47 min-

The Jazz trailed 72-70 when Malone began delivering for the Jazz. Malone outscored the Lakers 9-4 with an array

of jumpers and a free throw to give Utah a 79-76 lead.

Stockton made it 81-77 with a baseline jumper but in the last minute both Malone and Stockton committed turnovers while Bryant and Rice hit jump shots to tie the game. Rice had a chance to win it at the buzzer but missed a leaning 14-foot jumper.

#### Trail Blazers 101, Nets 87

Arvydas Sabonis had 21 points and 13 rebounds and Greg Anthony hit three fourthquarter 3-pointers to help the Portland Trail Blazers hold off the New Jersey Nets 101-87 Monday night.

Rasheed Wallace added 17 points for the Blazers, who won their seventh straight at home and pulled within 1 1/2 games of the Los Angeles Lakers in the Pacific Division.

The Lakers finally lost to the Utah Jazz in double-overtime

Stephon Marbury led the Nets with 21 points, but had only three after halftime

The game went back and forth for most of the second half, and two straight 3-pointers by Lucious Harris put the Nets up for the last time, 74-73, with 10:43 to play.

Portland then went on a 17-2 run, and the third of Anthony's left-handed 3-pointers gave the Blazers a 86-76 lead with 7:23 to go. A short jumper by Bonzi Wells and a layup by Detlef Schrempf off a dish from Wells made it 90-76 with 6:11 left.

Steve Smith added 16 points and Scottie Pippen had 10 assists for the Blazers, who were coming off their biggest win of the season, a 95-91 win at the Lakers on Saturday.

New Jersey, which is 13-10 at home, fell to 4-14 on the

Keith Van Horn 17 points and Kendall Gill had 14 for New Jersey.

Nuggets 110, Grizzlies 98

Ron Mercer scored 24 points, all in the second half, and the Denver Nuggets snapped a six-game losing streak with a 110-98 win over the Vancouver Grizzlies on Monday night.

In a duel of teams with losing skids, the Grizzlies dropped their sixth straight

Mercer also had six assists, four rebounds, three blocked shots and one steal.

Nick Van Exel added 18 points and nine assists, Raef LaFrentz had 17 points and 10 rebounds, and Antonio McDyess finished with 16 points.

Shareef Abdur-Rahim led Vancouver with 24 points and 13 rebounds. Mike Bibby contributed 18 points and nine

Mercer, who went 0-for-4 in the first half, scored 20 points in the third quarter alone on 8-of-11 shooting as the Nuggets built a 10-point lead by the end of the period.

With LaFrentz and McDyess on the bench for most of the period with foul trouble, Mercer took control.

He scored 10 points in the first 4:52 of the quarter, making a three-point play for a 66-57 lead and then hitting a 3-pointer for a 69-59 lead with 7:08 left in the period. Mercer's fastbreak layup made it 84-71, and the Nuggets carried an 86-76 lead into the final quarter.

Vancouver got no closer than eight points after that.

LaFrentz scored eight points in the final period as Denver built a lead that reached 17 points on George McCloud's 3pointer with 1:54 remaining.

Denver lost backup point guard Chris Herren with a strained left knee midway through the second quarter. He was scheduled to have an MRI on Tuesday.

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Lots of love to tigger, eeyore, and piglet from pooh

[seductively]

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~The SinNott

I just want to be alone with your

Erin, I promise, everyone loves

At least we can recognize their

faults. Bad hair, however, is not something I like to think about.

Hove you, Paul.

Downtown

I'm a shrub, alright?

No, I'm not, I'm a monster.

Does that annoy you?

You and I should get away for

Weebles wobble, but they don't fall

I'd like a piece of chicken please Raw chicken. And can you put that on the side?

Fine, grrr....

Oh, it does?

Yes, the chicken. On the side.

I'm not this creative

Honestly

My little arms

.can't type this much.

Rex now resides in my room.

will take him to the decade dance that I'm not invited to .... yet

All about crimpers.

And hammer pants.

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Never fear, Laura's here. Or two of them. If we count Lauren, three.

"But I was going into Tashi station to pick up some power converters!"

Christie and I are going to spend allIIIII of our money at Meijer because apparently 4-day weekends hore us

Yes, and this is the smallest violin

Predictably Very.

Ah, late nights

NEMATODE!

**NBA** 

# Jordan treats players like peers

Associated Press

WASHINGTON Michael Jordan was the first to arrive. He put on a No. 23 Washington Wizards jersey,

ragged on o d Strickland for being less than punctual, then took to the court as a dunking, trash-talking, coaching part-

owner.



More than anything, MJ was in

'Not yet! Press out!" Jordan barked when reporters entered at their usual time to watch the final few minutes of practice. It was Jordan's order and Jordan's alone, even with majority owner Abe Pollin, general manager Wes Unseld and coach Gar Heard in the gym.

Reporters were allowed in at the end of practice, Jordan's first as an active, playing participant since he joined the Wizards last week as part owner and president of basketball operations.

"I could go for a beer right now," said Jordan, smiling and looking slightly winded as he made his way up the stairs.

By all accounts, it was some practice.

"He's definitely moving the same way," said forward Tracy Murray, who guarded Jordan during some of the drills and the two scrimmages. "Dunking the ball, shooting a jump shot, fadeaway. Still got the same game, hasn't gone anywhere.

And as soon as he sets foot in that gym, he starts talking trash, so of course the intensity is going

Good thing there are some large dumpsters underneath the MCI Center. The trash talk made a huge impression with every single player, and some of them returned it.

"He's not 25 anymore," rookie Laron Profit said. "I try to remind him of that every time we matched up together. I'm the 22-year-old now. I've never been known as a shy one. He talked. I talked. He talked a little more. And I talked a little more, and he talked some more. I left him alone after that.

"Mike is Mike. He could still come back and lead the league in scoring. He was having fun, but I'm sure he was evaluating. He was competing, and he was going to see who was going to compete with him."

That's exactly what Jordan was doing. By being himself, he turned a Wizards practice into something it hasn't been in a while — energetic and fun.

"Which is what we should expect every day," Jordan said. "Actually, I told them they shouldn't have to wait for me to come out to show the energy that they had today. I just tried to keep them focused, challenge them, say whatever I have to say. If they can play hard against me, they can play hard against anybody. It was fun."

Since Jordan became part of the operation, the Wizards (13-29) have been their usual frustratingly inconsistent selves. They lost bad at home to Dallas, beat Indiana at home impressively, then were routed by Atlanta on the road.

Jordan, who says he'll be a commuter-president, watched the Indiana and Atlanta games on TV at home in Chicago. He reached the same two conclusions everyone else has:

- The Wizards have talent, but no chemistry

The Wizards won't have salary cap room for three years, so it's the current roster of players that is going to have to play better if there's any short-term

"You've got three solid players, Mitch Richmond, Rod Strickland and Juwan Howard," Jordan said. "The point is getting them to play with the continuity and the chemistry it takes to play basketball. All three of the base guys have played effectively in the years past, and it shouldn't be any reason why they can't do that now."

Jordan's biggest challenge could be Strickland. Heard, an old-school coach, has clashed with Strickland in an effort to get the point guard to show up on time and become a team leader - to no avail.

"You try to be an example in that sense," Jordan said. "You're going to work a little harder. If that means I have to come in and chastise and make people get up and get here early ... Rod got here 15 minute before practice, so I made sure I told him if I have to come by and pick him up tomorrow, he'd better be here a little bit earlier.

Jordan will be in the owner's box - not on the court, Heard pointed out wistfully - for Tuesday's home game against the New York Knicks.

"I'm learning. It's a challenge," Jordan said. "People have low expectations about what can happen here. It's all fine and good. I've been in worse scenarios, but the good thing about it is we have only one way we can go. That's up. We can't go any further down.'

NFL

# Rams revive football in baseball town

Associated Press

ST. LOUIS

Think of St. Louis sports, and the images that come to mind are mostly dressed in red, not royal blue and gold.

There's Mark McGwire squinting to watch the ball disappear over the wall; Lou Brock, his foot hitting second base and body popping off the ground on a steal; and Stan Musial lashing a shot to the

gap. Yet after the St. Louis Rams' worst-to-first season, this baseball town has been transformed into a football mad-

And on Monday, a day after the Rams rallied to beat Tampa Bay 11-6 for a spot in the Super Bowl, the euphoria

was still going strong. Rams blue and gold gear, such as jackets, hats and scarfs, were proudly worn by fans throughout the city, and "Go Rams!" posters were displayed in many store win-

"The baseball Cardinals have had a few bad seasons recently while the Rams have been improving their team,' fan John Joyce said as he walked along the riverfront. "I think the Super Bowl would be even bigger than a World

St. Louis fans would know. The Cardinals have won more pennants than any team except the New York Yankees. Even when they're bad, they typically draw around 3 million to Busch Stadium.

Football? Until this season St. Louis' history was sad, wretched, even pathetic. No city had a professional team longer without so much as a playoff win, and until Jan. 16, St. Louis hadn't even played host to a postseason game.

It started in 1960 when Bill Bidwill moved the Chicago Cardinals to St. Louis. The Big Red, as they were known, produced some good players: Hall-of-Famers Jackie Smith (tight end), Larry Wilson (safety) and Dan Dierdorf (offensive tackle), along with quarterback Jim Hart, running backs Terry Metcalf and Ottis Anderson and receiver Roy

But the teams were rarely good. In 28 seasons, the Cardinals made the playoffs just three times — all first-round losses, all on the road.

Bad football was better than no football. In 1988, fed up with what he perceived as a lack of civic cooperation on a new stadium, Bidwill took the Cardinals to Phoenix and became a local villain.

Some things don't change: In 12 seasons there, the Cardinals have made the playoffs once, though they did finally win a playoff game last season against Dallas.

When the NFL decided to add two expansion teams in 1993, St. Louis seemed a lock. But late in the process the ownership situation for the would-have-been Stallions became muddled. The infighting scared away the NFL, which instead gave franchises to Carolina and Jacksonville.

#### NCAA BASKETBALL

# Unbeaten Syracuse takes UConn, 88-74

Associated Press

SYRACUSE, N.Y. Syracuse answered another question with its most impressive victory in a so-far perfect

The fourth-ranked Orangemen remained the nation's only unbeaten team with an 88-74 victory over No. 6 Connecticut on Monday night as six players scored in double figures.

It seemed no matter what Syracuse did this season, there was a question about how good the Orangemen really

Syracuse's first 10 games were all at home and the competition wasn't too steep. Then the Orangemen (16-0, 6-0 Big East) went on the road for three straight games and won all three.

Connecticut (13-4, 2-3) was the first ranked team for Syracuse and the Orangemen responded with an emphatic

"That's about as well as we've played this season and we're getting better," Syracuse coach Jim Boeheim said after the Orangemen matched the 1917-18 team for the best

start in school history. "We did a good job defensively and a good job on the boards. We played well.'

The game also added to the questions facing Connecticut, which has lost three of its last six and has now doubled its loss total from last season's national championship run.

"To put it bluntly, they punked us," Connecticut guard Khalid El-Amin said. "They got up on us, got in our face. We didn't bring our intensity tonight and that's not characteristic of this team. We're 2-3 in the league and can't afford to drop any more games.'

Last season, Connecticut was the last undefeated team in the country and Syracuse went into the Hartford Civic Center and beat the top-ranked Huskies 59-42. Connecticut was missing starters Voskuhl and Richard Hamilton because of injuries.

"One thing I can guarantee is that they haven't played any better this year, at least not on the tapes we saw," Calhoun said. "The reason we didn't come back tonight was Syracuse. They played tremendously and we can play better than what we have. We've just been very inconsistent."

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**NFL** 

# Rhodes joins Redskins as defense coordinator

"As a defensive

coordinator, I get a better

feel for hands-on. I can

have more time to do

football."

**Ray Rhodes** 

Washington defensive coordinator

Associated Press

ASHBURN, Va

Ray Rhodes just wants to coach football, even if it means a demotion

Rhodes, fired two weeks ago as head coach of the Green Bay Packers, signed a two-year contract Monday to become defensive coordinator of the Washington Redskins.

"The last couple of years, I've wanted to get more of a handson approach," Rhodes said. "I wanted to get back into coach-

ing the defensive side of the football."

Rhodes went 8-8 in his only season with Packers the and missed the playoffs.

Rhodes previously had a 30-36-1 record over four sea-

sons in Philadelphia, where two playoff appearances were followed by free-agent defections and two losing seasons that left a sour taste all around.

Whether Rhodes could have been a serious candidate for any of the current NFL head coaching vacancies is debatable, but he's decided to take himself out of the running.

"As a defensive coordinator, I get a better feel for hands-on,' Rhodes said. "That means I can look in someone's face all day and not have to worry about some of the things you guys want to do from a press conference standpoint. I can have

more time to do football. Rhodes, 49, will have plenty of authority with the Redskins. Coach Norv Turner's specialty is offense, and he gives his defensive coordinator a great degree

of autonomy.

Turner's two previous defensive coordinators — Ron Lynn and Mike Nolan - were never able to get Washington out of the bottom five in run defense. This season's team ranked 27th against the run and 30th overall under Nolan, whose contract was not renewed

The Redskins also hired Foge Fazio as linebackers coach. Fazio, 60, is also moving down the ranks, having resigned last week as defensive coordinator of the Minnesota Vikings

Fazio said he had no hard feelings toward Vikings coach Dennis Green, who this month fired inside linebackers coach Tom Olivadotti without telling Fazio first. Fazio cited personal reasons for his move.

"My mom lives in Pittsburgh.

She's 91 years old," Fazio said. "It'll give me a chance to drive up there. wasn't around when my dad passed and my older brother passed, so I wanted to get some quality

time with her."

Rhodes said there was no truth to reports that he was a candidate to replace Fazio in Minnesota.

"I don't know where the rumor came from," Rhodes said. "But Minnesota was not a team that I talked with.'

In the Dan Snyder era of the Redskins, Rhodes took an unusual interview route to get the job. The owner traveled to Mobile, Ala., where Rhodes was attending the Senior Bowl, and had a face-to-face interview before Turner did. Director of player personnel Vinny Cerrato also met with Rhodes in Mobile.

Turner spoke to Rhodes on the telephone last week before Rhodes' Monday visit to Redskin Park. The two have been coaching against each other for 15 years, when Turner was an assistant with the Rams and Rhodes was on the staff of the

"This profession is wild," Turner said. "It can make partners out of guys under unusual

#### **AUSTRALIAN OPEN**

# Hurt Capriati heads to semis

Associated Press

MELBOURNE, Australia If there were any doubts that Jennifer Capriati is ready to challenge for Grand Slam titles again, she erased them Tuesday as she charged into the Australian Open semifi-

Not even a strained abdominal muscle, which caused her to take an early injury timeout, slowed Capriati in a thorough 6-0, 6-2 thrashing of Ai Sugiyama, who had knocked off No. 4 Mary

Capriati, 23, hadn't reached a Grand Slam semifinals since Wimbledon and the U.S. in 1991, when she was almost universally viewed as the future star of women's tennis.

But she fell in the quarterfinals of majors six times over the next two years, then drifted out of the game and didn't return to play the full Grand Slam circuit until last year, when she failed to get past the fourth round.

This time, at a tournament where she had never gone past the quarters, she showed that all her work in coming back, all the practice sessions with coach Harold Solomon, all the counseling she has undergone, have paid off.

Playing under the closed roof because of light showers, Capriati crushed returns so consistently that Sugiyama managed to win only four points on serve in the first set, which lasted just 24 min-

Capriati kept pummeling groundstrokes down the lines to race to a 4-0 lead in the second set before finally yielding on her own serve.

After Sugiyama held serve for the first and only time, Capriati closed out the match by holding serve easily and breaking Sugiyama for the sixth time to win in 55 min-

"I really felt in a groove out there," said Capriati, who hit 16 winners to Sugiyama's

Capriati shrugged off the injury and said it won't hamper her in the semis against the winner of Tuesday night's Lindsay Davenport-Julie

Halard-Decugis match.

Martina Hingis felt sorry to see Serena Williams depart so soon from the Australian Open, only because she wanted to knock Williams out her-

There is no love lost between the two teen-agers, and the memory of Williams' victory in their U.S. Open final still rankles the highly competitive and somewhat imperious Hingis.

On a court she considers her personal playpen, Hingis looked forward to avenging the defeat in New York and buttressing her standing as the top player on the women's tour.

Hingis won her 25th consecutive match at Melbourne Park on Monday, a 6-1, 7-6 (3) triumph over Sandrine Testud, to move within three victories of claiming her fourth straight title Down

Williams, seeded No. 3, might have stood in Hingis way in the semifinals but selfdestructed with unforced errors in a 6-3, 6-3 loss to Russian Elena Likhovtseva.



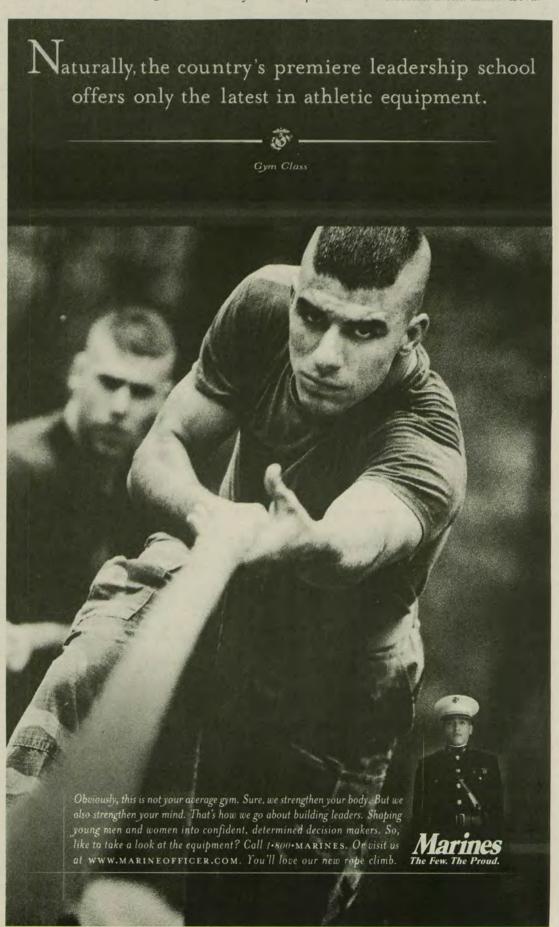
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NFL

# Bucs blame loss on confidence

Associated Press

TAMPA, Fla. There's no room for complacency in the Tampa Bay Buccaneers' plan to take what they feel is a rightful place among the NFL's elite teams.

The season ended Sunday

with the Bucs talking not so much about correcting errors they made in an 11-6 loss to St. Louis in the NFC championship game, but rather avoiding the mistakes they

made after bowing out of the playoffs two years ago.

"I think we got a little bigheaded and forgot about all the hard work that went into getting where we were," defensive tackle Warren Sapp said. "We can't let that happen again."

The Bucs went 8-8 and missed the playoffs in 1998 after a breakthrough season

the year before. They used the .500 finish as motivation to rebound in 1999, and set a franchise record for victories en route to their first NFC Central Division title in 18 years.

Now, the challenge is to not take another step back.

"We were play one away from the greatest show on earth and we've got to realize the type of effort and desire and work that it takes to get to this point,

and find a way to get it done

again," Sapp said.
"I like my chances with this ball club. I'll go to war with them every day of the week and twice on Sunday. No doubt about it. Put this same ball club back together a year from now, invite us to the dance and we're going to go at it again.'

There's a good chance,

though, that there will be changes in 2000 - especially on offense.

The Bucs ranked 30th in passing and 28th overall, and the problem they had scoring points was never more evident than Sunday when the defense shut down the explosive Rams but the offense settled for a pair of field goals on two trips inside the St. Louis 10.

Coach Tony Dungy said Monday that one of the first orders of business in the offseason will be determining what, if any, changes need to be made in the offensive system to give rookie quarterback Shaun King the best chance to

King replaced the injured Trent Dilfer in late November and was 5-1 as a starter during Tampa Bay's drive to the NFC title game. His inexperience was a factor against the Rams, although Dungy didn't see anything that changed his mind about the rookie's abilities.

"We have to decide philosophically what we're going to be," the coach said.

# Name change brings new chance to Titans

Associated Press

**ATLANTA** 

By now, nearly everyone has seen the cross-field lateral and the 75-yard kickoff return known as the Music City Miracle. And Colts fans are painfully aware that instant replay caught Terrence Wilkins' right foot out of bounds.

Pure luck? Maybe. Destiny? Perhaps.

Either way, the Tennessee Titans are in the Super Bowl something they never managed to do in their previous life as the Houston Oilers.

"This is a very blessed season that's all I can say," running back Rodney Thomas said. "Everybody prays for a win, but not everybody gets it."

Remember, this is the franchise that specialized in losing whether home was Jeppesen Stadium, Rice Stadium or the Astrodome in Houston, the

Liberty Bowl in Memphis, or Vanderbilt Stadium in Nashville.

Oilers fans still think officials stole a touchdown from Mike Renfro in the 1979 AFC Championship against the Pittsburgh Steelers.

They went 8-8 the previous three seasons thanks to blown leads and debacles such as a game against Seattle on Nov. 3, 1996. The Oilers needed only Al Del Greco's last-second field goal for a victory when Michael McCrary blocked the kick, setting up a 61-yard TD return. Final score: Seattle, 23-16. In 1998, Del Greco wasn't even on the field when the Chicago Bears beat Tennessee on a botched field goal.

This season, playing as the Titans, things were very different. They finished 16-3 through the playoffs, a franchise record, and went 9-0 in their first year at Adelphia Coliseum.

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#### SMC SWIMMING

# Belles confident for championship, despite close losses

By NOREEN GILLESPIE Saint Mary's Editor

When freshman Megan Harris touched the wall onehundredth of a second after her DePauw competitor in the 500 freestyle Saturday afternoon, her swim was mirrored the rest of the meet: all too close.

It took 40 minutes to completely tabulate the final score - a loss for the Saint Mary's swimming and diving team. Walking away from the score table, head coach Gretchen Hildebrandt was somewhat disappointed.

"I thought we had beaten DePauw," she said. "But it's hard to be upset when these women are swimming so well."

Dropping their final dual meet of the season, 64-39, to MIAA force Kalamazoo and non-league DePauw Saturday, the Saint Mary's swimmers and divers finished their season 2-7. It is an improvement over last year's record but slightly short of the team's season goal of .500.

"We're swimming strong teams," said first year coach Gretchen Hildebrandt. "In terms of points, this was not a winning season. But I can't believe that any of the other teams out there have posted personal bests every meet, and has every swimmer swimming to their potential.'

Breaking records three times during the dual meet season and holding a diver on their roster for the first time in three years, the season marked several beginnings that could lead to hard-earned benefits, noted Hildebrandt.

'This program has grown leaps and bounds from where it was," she said. "It's hard keeping up with the other programs that are growing at the same pace, but we are swimming phenomenally.'

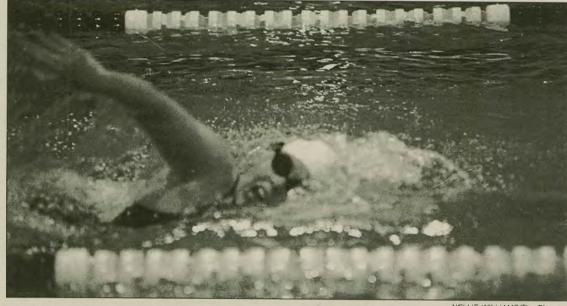
Not unlike previous losses, Saturday's defeat was close. Off the boards, freshman diver Jani Kesteloot's third-place finish in the 1-meter competition grabbed solid points for Saint Mary's, easing the deficit from 24 points lost in the 3meter competition.

"We're lucky to have [Kesteloot]," Hildebrandt said. "She doesn't have the experience in the 3 meter yet, but she scores big points for us."
In the pool, the swimmers

pulled out the close races and popped some surprise finishes to put the meet within reach. The medley relay of Alicia Lesneskie, Michelle Samreta, Lane Herrington and Colleen Sullivan finished first in 1 minute, 58.86 seconds, five-tenths short of the door of the school record.

Olivia Smith grabbed second in the 1000 freestyle, posting a season-best time of 11:36.07, followed by Sullivan's firstplace 200-freestyle finish in a season-best personal time.

Lauren Smith added another second place in the 200 individual medley, and Herrington added third place 100 butterfly and 100 backstroke finishes. Co-captain Samreta wrapped up the meet, winning the 100 breastroke in her last collegiate dual meet.



Distance freestyle swimmer Olivia Smith, shown here against Albion College at Saint Mary's Nov. 16, finished with a season-best time in the 1000 freestyle against DePauw Saturday.

But even with solid finishes, close wasn't enough.

"It's not over yet," said Hildebrandt, who will lead the women with a home advantage at the MIAA conference cham-

pionships at Rolfs Aquatic Center Feb. 10-12. That meet will mark the first MIAA championship hosted by Saint Mary's since its acceptance into the MIAA in the summer

"They're ready to swim fast," said Hildebrandt. "Mentally, they're confident in their abilities, and they're waiting to see what they're capable of.

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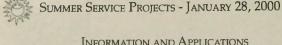


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CLUB SPORTS

# Women's skiing leads mediocre club sports

Special to The Observer

The new semester found the Ski Club opening its season in Searchmont, CA, where the women dominated the weekend's results. Freshman sensation Molly Munsterer led the squad to first place finishes in both the slalom and giant slalom events. Nickie Douillet had her usual standout performance, while Jennifer Caswell, Kate Ryan, and Ellen Block also had good times to lead the team. Michigan and Michigan State were distant second and third place finishers. The men were not as fortunate, finishing fifth in each event. Ryan Boger's 23rd place finish paced the Irish.

The Bowling Club placed 18th among a strong field at Dayton University's Eagle Classic this weekend. Topping the Irish averages was Jason Pawlek's 208, followed by Dan Buttke's 189, Darren Kraft's 183, Kevin McFadden's 182 and Dave Rigato's 177. This weekend is the major event of the year for the club, as they host the Blue and Gold Classic at Beacon Bowl on Saturday, 1-7 p.m., and Sunday, 9:30 a.m.

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MEN'S SWIMMING

# Koss, Skorney guide Irish at invite

By NOREEN GILLESPIE Saint Mary's Editor

Mike Koss and Ryan Skorney grabbed the limelight for the Irish this weekend, securing individual wins at the Bill Ritter Invitational hosted by the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee.

Half of the Irish swimming and diving squad trekked to Milwaukee, powering to a third place overall finish behind University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. University of Wisconsin-Green Bay won the meet with 912 points.

The meet, which compressed all championship events into a 24-hour period, was grueling physically and mentally, said head coach Tim Welsh.

"From the neck down, we got tired," Welsh said. "But from

the neck up, we did great. We were looking for as much racing as we could find in a short amount of time, and we found it."

Koss and Skorney won backto-back events for Notre Dame, with Koss leading the 100 breastroke for a win in 1 minute, 00.02 seconds Skorney followed, grabbing a win in the 100 backstroke in 53.16.

Other individual finishes included freshman Clay Miller in the 400 individual medley finishing in second place, and sophomore Elliott Drury, who swam a career best and a second place finish in the 1650 freestyle, concluding the meet.

The University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee again meets to Notre Dame on Friday, opening the weekend at Rolfs Aquatic Center against the Irish at 4 p.m.



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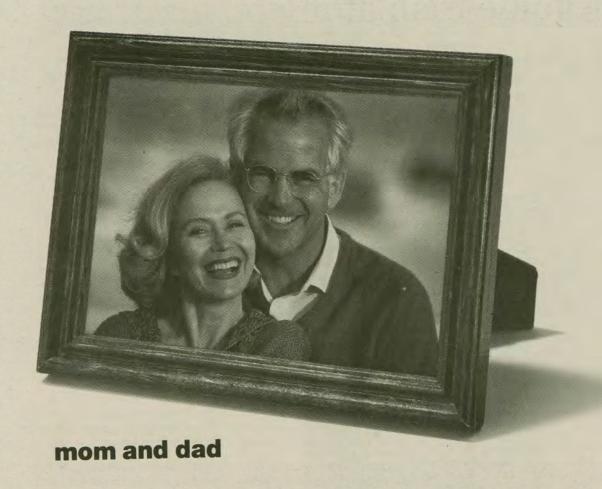
That advantage also led the Irish to receive two more commitments over the weekend from receiver Ron Rodamer (Morgantown, W. Va.) and linebacker Derek Curry (Sealy, Texas).

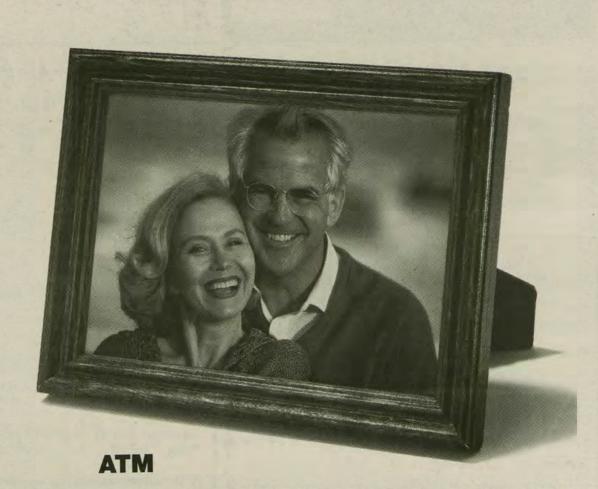
Rodamer, a high school teammate of current Irish player Chris Yura, chose the Irish over Clemson on Friday, to become the fifth receiver to commit to play for Notre Dame. Rodamer joins Crawford, Jovan Witherspoon (Fort Wayne, Ind.), Omar Jenkins (Dallas, Texas) and Jerome Collins (Wheaton, Ill.) to form a loaded receiving corps.

corps.
"I felt home there [at Notre Dame]," Rodamer said. "In my head, that was where I wanted to go."

Rodamer is already familiar with the two quarterbacks that have already committed, Jared Clark (Sarasota, Fla.) and Matt Lovecchio (Oradell, N.J.). All three attended the Notre Dame summer football camp this past summer.

"That [the camp] was a good experience," said Rodamer, who is currently the starting small forward on his high school basketball team. I got to see the campus and all the coaches were there."





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#### Swim

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Shannon Suddarth and Kathleen Rimkus in the 100 breastroke, and a top finish from Alison Newell in the 200 butterfly. Nixon placed second in the 50 freestyle and first in the 100 freestyle. A 1-2 finish from Gina Ketelhohn and Rhiana Saunders in 1-meter diving secured Notre Dame with a 4-point lead entering the 200 breastroke.

With points flying back and forth between the teams, it was anyone's meet until the 200 breaststroke. when Northwestern's Adrian Talcott faltered with a fifth-place finish and two Northwestern swimmers were disqualified.

"That mistake gave us a chance to beat them," Weathers said. "We knew after the breastroke that we could have this

The mistake allowed Notre Dame's Suddarth, Kathleen Rimkus, Lloyd, and Kerry White to respectively grab first, second, third and fourth place breastroke points, jolting the Irish to an 18-point lead.

Quickly shuffling his lineup to cement the victory, Weathers moved Nixon to the 100 butterfly and Newell to the 500 freestyle. Nixon grabbed second after a first-place finish from Barger in the 100 butterfly, and Newell grabbed third in the 500

A sweep of the diving from Ketelhohn, Karli Richards, Heather Mattingly and Saunders finalized the win, giving the team enough of a lead to carry them to the finish.

"We had this meet planned out to the last relay," Weathers said. "This is just another step along the way for us — it gives us the confidence that we can succeed in close meets.'

The squad rounded out its weekend with a win over the visiting Illini Saturday night, capturing 14 of 16 events for a 183.5-116.5 victory.

Nixon led the team with wins in four events, capturing the 50 and 100 freestyles and leading the 200 and 400 medley relays. Hecking also picked up three wins for the Irish, and Lloyd, Barer, Newell and Ketelhohn were double event winners. Suddarth and Kristen Van Saun also walked away with event

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#### FENCING

# Fencers eye championships

By MIKE CONNOLLY Associate Sports Editor

If there was any question about whether the Notre Dame fencing team would be a contender for the 2000 national title, it was answered Sunday when the women's and men's teams turned in a strong season-opening performances.

Facing top competition like St. John's, Columbia, Stanford and NYU, the women's team went undefeated while the men's team finished 2-2, with a close loss to Stanford.

I was happy with all the fencers," women's foil captain Magda Krol said. "Especially with the new format of only fencing three fencers, it meant that it was going to be harder because we didn't have as deep a team anymore. But the women pulled through and fenced well.'

The women's team defeated Columbia, 19-8, NYU, 22-5, Stanford, 15-12 and St. John's,

The men's team struggled a bit against top competition, defeating Columbia, 18-9, and NYU, 20-7, but losing to Stanford, 14-13, and St. John's, 16-11. Despite dropping two matches, the team is not too concerned with the slow start.

"I think it was just a slow start getting into the groove of competition," men's sabre cap-tain Clay Morton said. "We had a few mental lapses during the day. We would fence well then have a mental lapse

and then get back to fencing

well again.

A big reason for the Irish success was the play of freshman who led four of the six squads in weekend wins. Jan Viviani led the men's epee squad with an 8-3 record while Forest Walton and Ozren Debic posted 8-3 and 7-3 records, respectively, for the men's foil squad.

On the women's side, freshman Meagan Call paced the epee team with a 9-3 record while Anna Carnick was right on her heels with an 8-4 record. Natalia Mazur finished the day with the most wins by a freshman as she posted a 10-2 record for the sabre-

"On each of the squads there are one and usually two freshmen that are contributing to the squad and the overall team," Morton said. "They are being early leaders with a quiet confidence.

Veteran Irish fencers also had strong a weekend. Sophomores Gabor Szelle and Andre Crompton led the sabre team with 7-2 and 8-2 records, respectively. Like the rest of the men's sabre team, however, both had their worst showings against St. John's with Szelle going 2-1 and Crompton finishing 1-2 against the Red

Overall, Morton said mental lapses and controversy hurt the sabre squad against St.

Two or three of the losses [to St. John's] were due to mental lapses," he said. 'Crompton lost on a controversial call that the judges had to talk about for five or 10 minutes. [The Red Storm] is really good and well looked a little nervous because they were by far the best team we fenced."

The star of the weekend for the Irish was Krol, who posted a 10-2 record. Krol, who switched to foil after earning a national championship and three All-American letters at epee, proved she to be just as tough in her new category.

Krol's best wins came against 1999 foil champion Monique de Bruin from Stanford (5-2) and Columbia's first team All-American Susan Jennings (5-0).

"I went in just wanting to do my best," Krol said of her first collegiate foil match since her sophomore year. "I changed my focus to foil and prepared mentally, but I didn't expect to beat either of those two. I couldn't believe it. I think I was in a state of shock.

The strong weekend proved the Irish will once again be a factor in the national title pic-

"This builds confidence and gives us a better way to look at the upcoming season," Krol said. "It's still not going to be easy because this tournament doesn't mean that we have already won the championship. It is definitely a huge step forward and is intimidating to other teams and going to make them rethink their positions in the NCAAs.

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SMC BASKETBALL

# Saint Mary's remains winless overall

By KATIE McVOY
Sports Writer

The Saint Mary's basketball team dropped its league record to 0-10 and its overall record to 0-17 this weekend as it was bested by two MIAA teams.

The young Saint Mary's team dropped its first game to Hope College, 87-54, on Saturday. Alma College won Sunday's game, 73-51.

Hope came into Saturday's game with a 7-2 MIAA record and an overall record of 11-5.

"They are an excellent team," junior Julie Norman said. "They're always a powerhouse and it's hard to handle a team like that on the road."

Hope took the lead early in the game and never let it go, although Saint Mary's fought back

"We were flat and Hope would go on a scoring run, but then we'd come back," Norman said.

The Belles, who have had an aggressive press all season, used that to their advantage against the Flying Dutch. At half time Saint Mary's had forced eight turnovers while the Hope had not forced any.

"We always come out ready to play," Norman said. "Most teams would give up, but we give it our all."

Hope beat the Belles under the boards. Flying Dutchwoman Kristin Koenigsknecht had a league-high 18 rebounds.

Following that difficult loss, the Saint Mary's faced Alma College Sunday. Alma currently leads the MIAA with a league record of 8-2 and an overall record of 11-6.

The game opened with Alma taking an 11-2 lead, but the Belles bounced back to a 13-11 lead. Then the energy ran down. Alma went on a 30-9 scoring run, ending the half with a commanding lead.

"If we had been able to come back the first five minutes of the half, we would have had a chance," Norman said.

The Belles, however, did not.
During the second half Saint
Mary's tried to come back.

"We were so far down and everyone thought we were out," Norman said. "Then we came back, but we had nothing left to give to stay where we were."

Although they have faced a lot of adversity this season, the Belles continue to be proud of their efforts

"The biggest thing is that we always show a lot of character," Norman said. "Many of the coaches of the other teams we have played have said as much, and that's something we can take pride in. Adversity builds character."

Saint Mary's looks to capture its first win on Saturday as it faces Olivet College. Olivet comes into the game with only one win.

"This is our weekend to win," Norman said. HOCKEY

# Zasowski takes rookie awards



MIKE HARRIS/The Observe

Tony Zawoski, ranked seventh among all Central Collegiate Hockey Association goaltenders, won a second rookie-of-the-week award from the CCHA for his performance against Western Michigan Jan. 21-22.

Special to The Observer

Notre Dame freshman goaltender Tony Zasowski (Darien, Ill.) has earned his second rookie-of-the-week award from the Central Collegiate Hockey Association, after helping the Irish hockey team post a pair of victories over Western Michigan on Jan. 21-22.

Zasowski totaled 41 saves and allowed just one evenstrength goal in the pair of victories (4-3 in overtime and 4-1). He helped stop seven-ofeight WMU power plays in the second game while opening with 23 straight saves.

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Zasowski ranks seventh among regular CCHA goaltenders with a 2.41 overall season goals-against average and fourth among league net-minders who have played 750-plus minutes-while his .908 overall save percentage ranks fifth among CCHA goalies with 750-plus minutes. Both of those marks remain on pace to best the Notre Dame records set by Forrest Karr (2.58, 1998-99) and Mark Kronholm (.907,

1970-71).

Zasowski has allowed just 25 even-strength goals in 17 games played this season while allowing 0-2 total goals in 10 of his 14 starts. He has posted two shutouts this season (19 saves vs. Alaska Fairbanks, 24 vs. Michigan State) to join Karr as the only Irish goaltenders ever to post multiple solo shutouts in the same season.

He previously was named CCHA rookie of the week on Nov. 1, after making 58 saves in a series with Miami University (5-2, 2-2).

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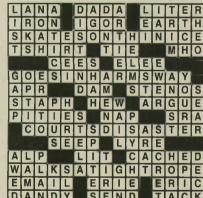
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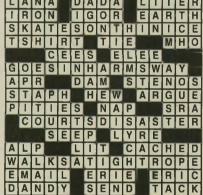
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TUESDAY, JANUARY 25, 2000

CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: Dean Jones, Jacqueline DuPre, Corazon Aquino, Diana Hyland, Dinah Manoff, Andy Cox, China

Happy Birthday: You may not know where to start this year, but if you focus on communications, you won't lose. You will find it much easier to get your point across and convince others to support your efforts. Follow your gut feeling, and you will find yourself moving in a positive direction. The most positive to the convenient of the positive of the convenient of the positive of the convenient of direction. The more precise you are, the more confident you'll become. Your numbers: 5, 16, 23, 29, 31, 44

ARIES (March 21-April 19): Get down to business. You will be able to

manipulate situations and get sup-port from your peers. Your added discipline will enable you to com-plete some of those unfinished pro-

jects. 3 stars
TAURUS (April 20-May 20): This outfit you've been longing to buy.
Make physical changes that will improve your looks and draw additional attention from potential new mates. 00000

GEMINI (May 21-June 20): Real estate deals will be lucrative if you put your plans into action immediately. Don't hesitate to put money into upgrading your house in order to get a higher price. OO CANCER (June 21-July 22):

Someone you care about may need help. Try to do things with children that will enable you to form a closer relationship with them. You may want to join creative courses. OOOO

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): It's a good time to make career moves or set up interviews regarding a better position in the firm you're already with. Your ability to charm superiors will help you achieve your

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objectives. OOO

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VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Recycle your old ideas and get ready to incorporate new ones. Your emotions will be hard to control if you don't keep extremely busy. Put additional detail into your work. OOO

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You can find that special outfit if you shop today. Look into ways of pampering yourself. Fitness clubs and spass may

yourself. Fitness clubs and spas may be just what you need. Look into making your home more comfortable.

SCORPIO (OCT. 23-NOV. 21): You have the best intentions in mind concerning your dearest friends. You will have a greater involvement with children. It will be easy to make new friends. 0000

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Promote your intentions and you will gain approval from superiors. Expect to have changes in your home environment. It is best to accept the inevitable.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Your enthusiasm and additional energy will be today's saving grace. Business trips will be successful. Employers or business partners will be delighted with your work.

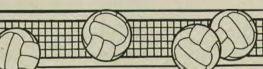
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Losses and conflicts will result if you get involved in joint financial ven-tures. You must be careful regarding minor health problems. Too much stress will lead to lowered vitality.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Your unselfish contributions to groups of a humanitarian nature will bring admiration from colleagues. Exhaustion will set in if you've made unrealistic promises regarding your time.

Birthday Baby: You were born to wheel and deal — quick to recognize exactly what you are capable of doing and always willing to do what's necessary to get where you want to go. You're a doer with a longing for adventure.

(Need advice? Check out Eugenia's Web sites at astroadvice.com eugenialast.com, astromate.com.)

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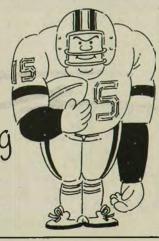
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Tuesday, January 25, 2000

**FOOTBALL** 

# **Academics** lures recruits

By TIM CASEY Sports Writer

Part of any college coach's job is to be a salesman, to convince players that his school best suits a recruit. Here at Notre Dame, there are some built in advantages.

Just ask Steve Addazio, Notre Dame's tight ends coach, who convinced Lorenzo Crawford, a 5-foot-11, 185-pound receiver from Paterson Catholic High School in Paterson, N.J., to commit to the Irish over the weekend

Originally, Crawford had verbally committed to North Carolina in August.

Then, after visiting Notre Dame on the first weekend of December, he had second thoughts.

'They [Notre Dame] weren't even in my list of top six schools over the summer," said Crawford, who caught 37 passes for 858 yards with 14 touchdowns while leading Paterson Catholic to its first state championship this fall. "I knew nothing about Notre Dame. Then I learned more about the school. When I learned that nearly 99 percent of athletes graduate in four years, it was something. And you can pretty much get a job anywhere with a degree from there.

Sound familiar? Almost every recruit that has committed this year or in the past has alluded to the academic side of Notre Dame as its main attraction. Or at least a distinction that separates Notre Dame from the Floridas and Nebraskas of the

With the on the field struggles of the past few years, the 'we're preparing you for 40 years, not just the next four" line is the essence of what Notre Dame has to offer.

"Kids are fairly savvy these days," said Allen Wallace, a recruiting analyst for *CNNSI.com*. "They're thinking about the overall school as opposed to just the football program. They may have dreams of playing in the NFL but they know it's a long shot.

"There certainly are some players that are looking at other schools and may not want to choose academics. They are still good kids. But it's a big world out there. There are still many recruits that care a lot about their

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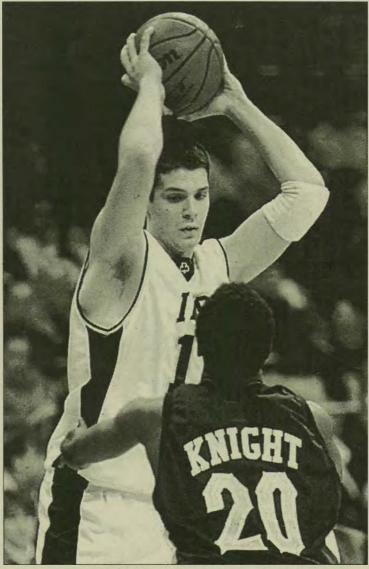
BASKETBALL

# Irish, 'Canes fight to boost Big East ranks

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**Jimmy Dillon** Irish point guard



Freshman Jere Macura, among the league leaders in 3-point shooting, and the rest of the Irish squad must step up against Big East force Miami to gain stature in the league.

By BRIAN KESSLER

The Notre Dame men's basketball team (12-7, 3-2) will look to make a move in the Big East conference when it continues its four-game homestand at 7:30 tonight against Miami (11-7, 4-2).

We're definitely looking at this homestand as a way to separate ourselves from the pack," Irish point guard Jimmy Dillon said. "We're in the middle of the pack and hopefully we can get to the top.

Notre Dame is currently ranked 6th in the Big East behind Miami and Rutgers. The Hurricanes are also fighting for position in the conference. They have won six of their last eight games and moved up to fourth place in the Big East.

In its last outing, Miami posted a 62-54 victory over Boston College in which center Mario Bland scored a career-high 24

Bland, who is averaging 13.4 points per game and 7.5 rebounds per contest, reached the 1,000-career-point plateau

The Irish will have their hands full with Hurricane shooting guard Johnny Hemsley, who is averaging a team high 18.5 points per game, good enough to rank him 4th in Big East scor-

Forwards John Salmons and Elton Tyler have also played well for Miami this season. Tyler is a league leader in rebounds and blocks while Salmons is a league leader defensively.

"We know they are athletic and well coached and they will come out and play hard," Dillon said. "We need to take advantage of our strengths and play hard as well. It should be a good

Big East game and hopefully we'll get the win."

As always, the Irish are led by Troy Murphy, who ranks third in the nation in scoring (24.4 points per game) and sixth in rebounding (10.5 per contest).

Murphy, however, got some support from his teammates in Saturday's 81-66 victory over Pittsburgh. Prior to the Pitt game, the Irish had dropped two straight, but they came out on fire against the Panthers, shooting more than 60 percent from the field and connecting on a school-record 14 3-pointers.

Both Graves and Dillon have stepped up for the Irish. Graves is a league leader in scoring, assists and steals and Dillon leads in assists and steals.

"On the road we struggled shooting the ball, but we like playing at home and we feel like we have an advantage," said Dillon, who is averaging just less than six assists per game. "Maybe its mental and we're comfortable in the environment, but shooting has definitely been one of our strengths this season."

The Irish are 10-1 at home this season and lead the series with the Hurricanes, 6-4. Last season, Notre Dame knocked off Miami, 71-68, on the road.

'Miami is a good team," Dillon said. "We just need to play our game and come out and play tough mentally and physically. If we do what is necessary, things should take care of themselves."

This is the second in a four-game homestand. After facing the Hurricanes, the Irish look to more Big East competition. St. John's comes to the Joyce Center on Saturday and West Virginia follows on Wednesday night.

#### WOMEN'S SWIMMING

# Wildcats brought down by surprising Irish

By NOREEN GILLESPIE

Saint Mary's Editor

The Northwestern Wildcats crawled into Irish territory Friday evening ready to pounce

They left with their tails between their legs.

The No. 11 Northwestern team was confident it would leave the tri-meet against the No. 23 Irish and Rice University with a competitive but secure

The Wildcats didn't expect to encounter an Irish team that would sweep all three teams and boost its record to 9-0.

Going into the meet, the Irish were ready to topple Northwestern's confidence.

'On paper, we matched up well," said women's head coach Bailey Weathers. "Some of their swimmers were two or three tenths ahead of what we'd done, but we were matched well. We knew we had a chance.

The Irish opened the meet with a quick start, capturing the 400 medley relay. The team of Kelly Hecking, Shannon Suddarth, Elizabeth Barger and Carrie Nixon sprinted ahead of Northwestern in 3 minutes. 48.27 seconds, grabbing the

Falling behind after the 1650 freestyle and 200 freestyle, Notre Dame bounced back with Hecking's backstroke win in 56.65 over Northwestern's Dominique Diezi.

Notre Dame Northwestern traded leads for the next several events, swapping points throughout a 2-3-4 finish from Allison Lloyd,

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**SPORTS** GLANCE



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at St. John's Wednesday, 7:30 p.m.



at Alaska-Fairbanks Friday, 7:05 p.m.



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Men's Swimming Oakland University at Milwaukee Saturday, 1 p.m.