Filling the Pews

Two ND sociologists suggest Catholics don’t go to Church as much as they say they do.

By DAVE TYLER
News Editor

When was the last time you went to church? If you don’t remember, you’re not alone.

Two University of Notre Dame sociologists have published a continuing study of church attendance levels in the United States in the December 1994 issue of the Journal for the Scientific Study of Religion, and their findings are making waves.

Mark Chaves, an associate professor of sociology, and graduate student, James Cavendish, have uncovered more evidence that U.S. Catholics attend religious services at a significantly lower level than popularly reported in opinion surveys.

Using data collected from "October counts," or actual head counts from 48 Catholic dioceses, Chaves and Cavendish found that 26.7 percent of Catholics attend church in any given week. The October counts are an average of headcounts taken during each weekend of October. Church leaders site October as a good indicator of attendance because of its distance from holidays and relatively stable weather conditions.

In a smaller study a year ago of eighteen dioceses and several Protestant denominations, Chaves and two other colleagues registered attendance among Catholics at 28 and percent Protestants at 20 percent. The results mark a sharp departure from Gallup survey numbers that annually place church attendance at 51 percent of Catholics and 45 percent of Protestants. The 48 dioceses represented in the new study contain about 38 percent of Catholics in the U.S.

Chaves and Cavendish believe there are several reasons for the gap between the Gallup poll and their studies. The first being forgetfulness.

"There is a simple memory lapse—people saying they attended church this past Sunday when it really was the Sunday before," Chaves said. "Sometimes people just forget.

The second reason Chaves and Cavendish cite is the interpretation of the actual Gallup poll question—see CHURCH/ page 4

Conference explores women’s colleges

By LAURA FERGUSON
Saint Mary’s News Editor

This weekend, students and faculty from women’s colleges across the nation and Saint Mary’s will not spend a lot of time talking about empowerment, they will be showing it as part of the fourth Play of the Mind Conference.

Saint Mary’s will host representatives from the College of Saint Elizabeth, Georgian Court College, Mary Baldwin College, Saint Mary-of-the-Woods College, Spelman College and Willian Woods College as they all examine women’s colleges in a multicultural world.

College cultures, including classes and social cultures, are important topics to address in order to prepare students for living, moving, and being in a world where there are a variety of cultures interacting on a daily basis, according to Patrick White, associate dean of faculty and Play of the Mind organizer.

"We may not share the same ideas and values and we often wind up not connecting and build up barriers," said White. "That is one solution for multicultural America but not a solution anyone wants to see."

This year differs from previous conferences in that Julie Storrie, associate professor of modern languages and Mana Derakhshani, assistant professor of modern languages worked together through the Saint Mary’s Center for Academic Innovation.

The weekend will enable students to learn about each others campus cultures through presentations, small group discussions, problem-solving sce-
Losing sight of life and its sanctity

On December 30, 1994, two deaths, tragic and dedicated human beings were brutally murdered in prime of their lives, and stolen from their families and loved ones, in Brookline, Massachusetts.

One of those human beings was Shannon Lowney, Shannon's dad graduated from Notre Dame in the late 1950s. He did not live to see his daughter and Mark several years later. Another cousin, Erin, is a senior at Saint Mary's in Washington, DC, was in my parents wedding party, so our family particularly shares their grief and our hearts, prayers and love go out to them.

The police have told you that they believe this despicable act of terrorism was perpetrated by one sick and disturbed individual. While it may be true that John Salvi alone pulled the trigger and destroyed the hopes and dreams of two women, there is a community in this tragic event that extends much deeper than that.

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Mrs. Clinton says 'I have no gurus'

NEW YORK

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Teens turning to risky Jimson Weed

ATLANTA

Teenagers seeking a new high are turning to a deadly plant. The first recorded use by set of teenagers in Jamestown more than 300 years ago. At least two teenagers died last year after drinking a poisonous tea made from the plant. Jimson weed or eating the leaves of Jimson weed can be fatal. A brief story in a magazine last week. "It is a conversation," Clinton said in the interview, and "it is a dialogue," she told the ‘Good Morning America’ show.

Two dead in Chapel Hill shooting

CHAPEL HILL, N.C.

A gunman opened fire on the town’s main street, Thursday, killing two people near the University of North Carolina and pepper spray the post office, the police office, and the post office. The other victim fell in front of a sorority house. A backpack stuck out from under a street post and the other victim fell in front of a sorority house. A backpack stuck out from under a street post and the other victim fell in front of a sorority house. A backpack stuck out from under a street post and the other victim fell in front of a sorority house. A backpack stuck out from under a street post and the other victim fell in front of a sorority house. A backpack stuck out from under a street post and the other victim fell in front of a sorority house. A backpack stuck out from under a street post and the other victim fell in front of a sorority house. A backpack stuck out from under a street post and the other victim fell in front of a sorority house.

Five arrested in Jewish club attack

BUENOS AIRES

Wielding fake machine guns and wearing camouflage uniforms, five magazine employees were arrested while preparing a mock attack on a Jewish sports club, police said. The incident Wednesday night came six months after 95 people were killed in a bomb attack on a nearby Jewish cultural center and almost three years after 29 people died in an attack on the Israeli Embassy. The five were arrested outside the Macabi Sports Club in a downtown Buenos Aires neighborhood after getting out of a van similar to one which police said was used in a July 18 bomb attack on the Argentine Jewish Mutual Association (AMIA). Police said the mock attack was designed to have been used to produce a cover story for the popular weekly news magazine, highlighting an alleged lack of security at the city’s Jewish centers. The five included a photographer, a reporter, two hired models and a driver.
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Lunch fasting program begins

By WENDY GRZYWACZ
News Writer

The profits from the Wednesday Lunch Fast pro­gram serve to "provide food aid and also teach people how to provide for themselves" accord­ing to Lara Sweedo, World Hunger Coalition member.

The highly successful pro­gram run by the Coalition has students skip their Wednesday lunches. The money saved by the dining hall (approximately $1.90 per lunch) is donated directly to international grass roots organizations throughout the world.

More than three hundred students signed up for the Fast last semester, according to Sweedo. The program has been effective throughout the years and serves as a model for programs at other schools.

The proceeds from the pro­gram go primarily to victims of national disasters, refugees, and others in need of food. Organizations involved include GrainShare, Chol Chol, Caritas, and Mar de Plata which help in areas such as Bangladesh and other underdeveloped parts of the world.

By raising donations through collections in dorms, concession stands, and other fundraisers, Notre Dame's World Hunger Coalition has also aided the South Bend area with food bas­kets and other services.

Sign-ups were held this week to allow those coming back from abroad or people with schedule changes to fast during the spring semester.

Those wishing to join the Fast who have not signed up already may do so by calling Lara Sweedo at 4-4851. World Hunger Coalition meetings are also held once each month and are open to anyone interested.

The highly successful pro­gram has also aided the Notre Dame’s World Hunger Coalition to temporarily turn off the water supply to the two dorms. The rupture occurred at approxi­mately 7:00 am when the cast iron pipe broke, causing water to spill into the general vicinity. Utilities staff quickly shut off the water supply to avoid any significant damage to the dormitories, and repairs to the main were fully completed at 1:00 pm.

A water main erupted be­cause of the cold weather and then warmed again, causing a shift that the main was unable to withstand, according to Edward Keve, as­sistant director of Utilities.

The location. Any leak made it accessible by the Utilities Department, which is stationed at the power plant across the street from Flanner Hall.

Incidents like these are not unusual, according to Keve, es­pecially in the winter when temperature fluctuations are more common. "Already this year we have had main breaks at the Married Student Housing complex and the Fatima Retreat House," he said.

"We'll have more in the fu­ture," he said. "It's a fact of life."
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tions. "People who are more or less regular churchgoers may interpret the questions as asking what they actually do, rather than about what they did last Sunday," said Chaves. The third reason is most important, said Chaves. "There is the well known tendency for individuals for individuals in self-report surveys to exagger­ate what they perceive to be socially desirable behavior." "It's still socially desirable to go church, it's still the thing to do on Sunday," Cavendish adds, "and people apparently want to be seen as following that behavior.

Regardless of the source of the gap, Chaves cautions against reading too far into the figures. Because their numbers are from a single year it's "not clear that there is a decline in church attendance," he said. "The gap between attendance and self reported attendance may always have been there and we just didn't know it." The main point of Chaves' findings is that self-report polls about religious behavior should not be taken at face value. Cavendish believes the numbers represent a wake up call of sorts for scholars of religion. "Church attendance has been the classic measure of religios­ity for sociologists. This study raises questions about mea­sure religiosity."

"This study shakes confidence in poll data or conclusions that sociologists or historians have reached that either attack themes of secularization or that point out American excep­tionism (uniqueness) based on church attendance centrality," Cavendish said. "This study says that maybe the numbers aren't as strong and stable as once thought." Chaves claims these numbers are not as shocking as they seem. "An informed observer would not be surprised by read­ing our report," he said.

Rev. Peter Jarrett, C.S.C., an associate pastor at Christ the King parish in South Bend, said his church has attendance figures similar to those in the Chaves and Cavendish report. "On any given weekend we see between 30 and 33 percent of our registered parishioners," said Jarrett. "About one third of our parishioners contribute gift envelopes at our collections, and that's a fairly accurate indicator of how many people come to church." Jarrett realizes that if the Gallup poll results were closer to reality, churches couldn't handle the influx or parish­ioners. "No way, we'd be flood­ed. Don't get me wrong, we'd love to have that problem." He says the church has to take a stance of reluctant acceptance of the statistics and at the same time continue efforts to invite people to become more involved in the church. Chaves and Cavendish note some interesting regional quirks to their study. "Urban areas had lower attendance rates, with the west coast hav­ing the lowest," said Chaves.

But areas where Catholics were a distinct minority reported the highest figures. The diocese of Owensboro, Kentucky is roughly five per­cent Catholic, but churches there reported a 60 percent at­tendance figure.

Cavendish points out that the study highlights a discrepancy, rather than offers a solution. "There's no message in this data alone," he says. "It's un­clear what church leaders would have to do to get people to come more often."
Building a future
Grace junior Jonathan McKenn talks to Andersen Consulting Agent Patty Fretti about a possible summer internship.

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naries, and an open microphone for reflections, poetry, prose and song.

Events from Friday evening until the closing celebration are open to all students. An estimated 200 Saint Mary’s students will join the two students and one faculty member or administrator representatives from each of the other colleges.

Although some students were nominated by faculty, Resident Advisors, and fellow students to participate, all students are encouraged to enter the Play of the Mind community for any period of time.

"This is not an exclusive club," said White. "If you want to participate we will hand you a program and off you go."

According to White, the whole concept of the Play of the Mind Conference came out of a grant project several years ago with the understanding that students and faculty both make distinctions between academic life and social life or play.

White says he realized that there shouldn’t be a distinction between play and intellect.

"The play of the mind is always fun but it is scary because it depends on faculty and students as partners and not every thing is planned out before hand," he said.

"This is the kind of conference that utilizes the best aspects of Saint Mary’s, such as the friendliness, the warmth, and the willingness not to think hard and to take risks," said White. "It is not a relaxed environment, it is intense and exciting where people are fired up."

The most visible benefit of this conference for students is that they get the opportunity to see other students and faculty who are committed to women’s institutions.

"A number of students have gone into the conference not happy with women’s colleges and afterwards they have decided to stay because the conference confirmed that this is what they wanted to be doing," said White."

The Play of the Mind is made possible by the support of the Saint Mary’s Student Government, the Center for Academic Innovation and the Lilly Endowment.
Italian government enters public, economic crisis

By MELANIE LAFLIN New Writer

"Silvio Berlusconi took on an impossible task and failed miserably," according to Robert Evans, director of the Hesburgh Library’s Center for Contemporary Studies, Department of Political Studies, and the Nanovic Center for European Studies, the lecture entitled "Italian Politics: Does it have a future?" took on a somewhat pessimistic view. "Italians wanted and believed that a new form of government would be better, but Italy has traded one type of regime under the Christian Democrats for another," said Evans.

Former Prime Minister Berlusconi, who just stepped down in December 1994, bore the brunt of Evan’s criticism as the main cause of the economic and governmental crisis that started eight months ago. "Berlusconi, with his indecipherable character and entrepreneurial skills, went into politics to save his economic empire and has run the Parliament as if it were a company. amateurs in politics aren’t necessarily successful," Evans stated.

"His attacks on the judiciary and the Bank of Italy are counterproductive and can’t lead to support. Berlusconi, with his limited understanding of the Constitution and Parliament procedures, gets around the rules rather than respecting them. He simply doesn’t have the "good stuff."" The terribly undignified campaign full of insults on both sides became a personal campaign that focused on Berlusconi, a man of words and images whose career was built on real estate, television license, and later publishing and finance. Though he heads a company worth 1.2 trillion lira, Berlusconi is facing a debt of over 3.8 trillion lira or 2.2 billion dollars," said Evans.

According to Evans, the March 1994 election was one of the worst in calculating proportional representation. "This election guaranteed the survival of the center, the survival of the Social Democrats." To add to the list of negatives, Evans also mentioned the practice of paying off the political parties by all large companies in Italy. Berlusconi and corruption have plagued the government since 1978, according to Evans. The Fascist party seems to be making a comeback as well, since its popularity, mainly coming from the south of Italy, has risen from 6-8% to 11%. Italy is looking for a change in its political culture. "They are left with an intolerable debt of 2 billion lira, that’s $20,000 of public debt allotted to each Italian citizen, a 10% tax increase due to the public debt, and a government in crisis," said Evans.

"If attacks continue, violence may not be too far off. But, the democratic fiber is strong," added Evans. Evans predicted Berlusconi will not be reselected prime minister.

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Nekvaskil discusses role of women scientists

By LAURA SMITH
News Writer

As part of the Women's Week Brown Bag Lunch Series at Saint Mary's, Dr. Nancy Nekvaskil presented a lecture titled "Women and a Community" yesterday afternoon in Haggar Parlor. Nekvaskil is an assistant professor in the biology department at Saint Mary's. She was invited by the Saint Mary's Student Academic Council to discuss women in science. Nekvaskil discussed the relationships among women, science, and friendships.

Nekvaskil focused her talk on her own personal history. She discussed the importance of friendships and community in her decision to explore a career in the field of science. "Every example I can think of for why I went into science has to do with friendships or community," she said.

According to Nekvaskil, her first important community experience was with her family of four sisters, mother, and father. Nekvaskil's family was very influential in her decision to study science. "I literally never heard the phrase 'you can't do it because you are a girl'," even from her father," said Nekvaskil.

She explained that her second important community experience was her intergenerational relationship with her mother, her aunt, and her maternal grandmother. These three women were important role models for Nekvaskil. Her aunt worked her way through college and her grandmother also earned a college degree. Nekvaskil said, "More than I probably know, these women have been terrific role models."

Nekvaskil stated that her mother was a strong woman who never ended her quest for education. Nekvaskil's mother graduated from college while Nekvaskil was in graduate school. "My mother never pushed me in any direction except where I wanted to go, including marriage and children," said Nekvaskil. "I don't think I knew how wise she was until I was an adult."

Nekvaskil explained that she still searches for this sense of community in her friendships with women today. These friendships are very important to her. She said, "They offer support, they don't judge, they don't offer advice unless I ask, and they just listen."

Nekvaskil discussed the fact that women communicate differently than men. Women often form friendships easily and open up to those friends earlier.

Finally, Nekvaskil discussed the importance of a woman's college in developing this sense of community. According to Nekvaskil, a Women's College is a great place to learn and to be free to be oneself. "If we are not given a safe place to try our wings, it will be a long time before we get off the ground," she said.

Nekvaskil then asked the small group in attendance if anyone had ever been told she could not pursue her dreams. One student explained that her father told her she could not study medicine, but this only made her more determined to prove that she could do it. Another student stated that Saint Mary's has given her opportunity to pursue any goal she wanted.

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Sing, sing a song...
A Farley resident from section 28 contributes to a unique version of Star Search as part of the talent show for "Pop Farley."

Happy 21st Birthday, Fred Dini!
All our love,
Mom, Dad, Mary Frances, Smudge, & Buttercup

Freshman gain parking privileges

By JULIA COSMIDES
News Writer

Due to a petition written by the freshmen class council to Professor Patricia O'Hara, Vice President for Student Affairs, freshmen are now allowed to park in Lot D-2.

Matthew Griffin, freshmen class secretary, issued a statement on Monday in that said "parking privileges have been granted to members of the freshmen class for Spring Semester 1995." This is in accordance with the policy maintained by the Office of Student Affairs, stating that second-semester freshmen may park on campus if a petition is filed with their office. The petition must be filed each year, and it is up to the discretion of Professor Patty O'Hara whether or not the plea is granted.

In order to enjoy the parking privileges they have received as a result of this year's petition, freshmen must abide by certain requirements. One of these requirements is a grade point average of at least 2.0. Similarly, any first-year student on disciplinary probation will not be permitted to have a car at the University, and any students who are placed on probation during the course of the semester will have their parking privileges automatically revoked. All cars must be registered in accordance with security directives, the complete list can be obtained from the University's Parking Office in the Campus Security Building (631-5053). Students wishing to park on campus must also follow all traffic and parking regulations as outlined by Police.

Griffin added a reminder to all freshmen who choose to park on campus, saying that the University's policy regarding driving under the influence sanctions the forfeiture of all vehicle registration and campus driving/parking privileges at Notre Dame, even for first-time offenders.

THE NINTH ANNUAL LATE NIGHT OLYMPICS IS SCHEDULED FOR FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 3, 1995. THE PROCEEDS FROM THIS ALL-NIGHT SPORTS EXTRAVAGANZA GO TO BENEFIT THE ST. JOSEPH COUNTY SPECIAL OLYMPICS. FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT YOUR HALL REPRESENTATIVE OR CALL RECSPORTS AT 631-6100.

THE DEADLINE FOR ENTERING A TEAM IS MONDAY, JANUARY 30.
Can Disney go service?

The day I start agreeing with Charlie Rice, you can expect to see fellow Larry and News/Saint Mary's editors at the soda parlor. Break out the hot fudge, folks. Charlie was right in his column last week when he said that if the Fighting Ducks or the Mighty Irish or whoever they are weren't so good, they would have won its collective butt kicked. But they got its collective butt kicked. So what? You've seen the school of losing its way—not in the sense in which your grandfather went to Notre Dame in a general sense, I can write it off on my taxes. It's a bit of collegiate verse-like the benefits of the tourists on football weekends and a great setting for captains of industry to erect memorials to write-off to themselves. If the powers that be in Congress decide to let Bill Clinton have any of his programs, there's even a chance that the school will become a nice tax write-off for your parents, or even you, in the future.

It strikes me as inequitable that if I invest in the education of young people at Notre Dame in a general sense, I can write it off on my taxes. If, on the other hand, I invest in the education of a particular young man at Vassar (as I do), it is not deductible. Moreover, interest on the loans you take out to pay for your education become a more productive person with much greater income to pay taxes on, is not deductible. But if you borrow money to buy a house, interest on that loan is deductible, because the housing industry is vital to the economy. And, by implication, education isn't.

Don't think this will begin making sense when your hair turns gray and falls out. That's the case, I would understand it completely.

Now, the administration would say that the football program does so much to underwrite the cost of running the university that I should not decry its existence. And I repeat that, while I am discontented with the extent to which that particular tail has been permitted to wag the dog, I'm not just complaining, I am talking about football.

Imagine that the university quit going after bricks and mortar, quit expanding its research programs, quit trying to run the NBC Fallout Line, and, instead, became a Catholic "service academy." Like West Point, Annapolis or the Air Force Academy, promising young Catholic students could come to Notre Dame and be educated. At no cost to them beyond their own personal expenses. Yeah, yeah, some jerk with a spreadsheet is going to say that it couldn't happen. He'll show that it would take more money than exists in all the treasuries of the universe to educate that many Catholics.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Let’s not subject Columbus, history to PC paranoia

Dear Editor:

On January 24, a letter from Mr. Daniel Chong was published in The Observer which precipitated a discussion of the vilification of Christopher Columbus and Notre Dame’s participation in the annual March for Life. Unfortunately, there is no doubt that his exploration sparked Western interest and immigration to New World, but there is no denying the fact that Columbus was not a paragon of virtue. However, to turn Columbus into the pejorative trope of anti-abortion advocacy is a bit extreme. He might not have "discovered" the New World, but there is no denying the fact that Columbus was not a paragon of virtue.

KATHLEEN URODA

Pro-choice agenda not media's

I wish to commend Michael Sheliga (“New Angle,” Jan 24) on his insight. Indeed, one of the biggest hurdles facing the pro-life movement’s attempt to convince the American public is to give them a reason to believe in its message. The pro-life agenda is timely and quite sound. I say it is our fault, and I say we ought to quote the words of Cardinal John Cody: "The normal human tendency is to shout." When that happens, the normal human tendency is to shout. "Prayers that are more like war-cries. Prayers with a target." The problem is two-fold. First, they should stop beating the dead horse of pro-choice/media cliches. Regardless of one’s opinion of particular media institutions and members, we look like weird, non-normal Americans, who are losing their innocence by having its collective intelligence insulted by withdrawing its support from the pro-life movement.

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**ACCENT**

**Band de Soleil returns to campus**

By SANDY KOEHLER<br><br>On October 5, 1994, Band de Soleil opened for the Indigenous Girls in an electrifying concert at Student Union Ballroom. Tonight, they are returning to Notre Dame as part of the Loft series which is sponsored by the Student Union Board.

The band’s singer, songwriter, and guitarist, Michelle Malone, was first formed in 1992. According to Sister Madeleva, former Saint Mary’s University head librarian, the band has been a true tale of the early 90’s. Malone is a true talent who is leaving and exactly where she is going is written in some capacity. We do not know why she is leaving or why she is not alone.

Malone is holding a white handkerchief and waving goodbye as she departs for a new life. She is leaving for a new band, according to Creem Magazine. Even though Malone will not be throwing anyone condoms out into the audience tonight at the request of university administration, Band de Soleil’s return to campus tonight is not to be missed.

True North, a Notre Dame band, will be opening for Band de Soleil. Tickets will be on sale for $4 at the door and the show starts at 9 p.m. in The Loft.

**BOOK REVIEW**

**Chimes highlights community talent**

By LESLIE FIELD<br><br>Ineluctable feelings. Powerful thoughts. You will find both bound within the 135 page 1994 Sesquicentennial edition of Chimes, the Saint Mary’s annually published literary book. This compilation of literary work is bursting with flavor and depth. Perhaps even more importantly, it is bursting with heritage. According to Sister Madeleva Dunleavy of the Saint Mary’s Archives, *Chimes* was first published in September 1972. That year, it came out monthly. It has been published annually ever since.

For the Sesquicentennial edition, editors Elizabeth Casanova, class of 1994, and Cara Sandberg, class of 1994, along with their advisor Max Westler wanted to compile something special that would capture the feelings of the past 150 years by students and faculty of the Saint Mary’s and Notre Dame community.

Westler describes the 1994 edition as, “an anthology of the best of the Chimes.” And that is it. The feelings of students towards society and the world as it changed for them can be seen in poems like senior Diana Lanzillotta’s, “The Black and White Picture on the Refrigerator: 1962.” This is a classic poem about change. The image of a girl holding a white handkerchief and waving goodbye as she departs for a new life is something that everyone can relate to in some capacity. We do not know why she is leaving or why she is not alone. She appears to be with two younger siblings. They are on a journey together, perhaps much like one that she had taken to college. There is a great sense of wonder in this poem. It is full of a feeling of awe and represents courage and youth through departure and growth. These feelings are evident in Casanova’s poem, “Untitled,” which has a 1990’s feel to it. It imparts a great message to the reader in a few lines. Each word has strength and meaning. A dead bear and cold wind blowing in Chicago gives us a sight and sensation that allows us to feel not only sympathy but empathy to the homeless. Casanova takes a topic like homelessness and transforms it into a poem that is not romantic or pretty. It is as real as the issue presented leaving the reader with a bit of sweet taste. It is a true tale of the times.

Casanova, Westler, and Sandberg went back to editions from the late 40’s and early 50’s to find pieces that they felt would define the 1994 edition of Chimes. This, according to Westler, was an arduous process. After all, there were over 40 years to cover and room for only the best poems and stories.

The meetings determining which pieces to use were difficult and very important, creating a process filled with passion for the task at hand. “I like editorial meetings and arguing about work with the editors. I enjoy the passion and take it,” said Westler.

This thoughtful process and dedicated spirit of the entire Chimes team paid off in a beautiful collection. The works of Saint Mary’s alumnae like Mary Pinard and Anna Monardo, who visited Saint Mary’s this fall, give us a sampling of works done by renowned writers.

Pinard, who will be visiting Saint Mary’s in April, is a renown poet while Monardo is a successful author. The 1994 edition begins with a poem by Sister Madeleva, former Saint Mary’s President, entitled “American Twelfth Night.” It is a poem that describes the journey of the wise men through harsh conditions. This journey is much like the one that she traveled.

Each poem, story and work of art has a message that links to the history of Saint Mary’s and Notre Dame. Confucius once said that, “Without knowing the force of words, it is impossible to know men.” If this is true, then pick up your 1994 Chimes. You are sure to know men just a little bit better after doing so.

The next edition of the *Chimes* will come out in the Spring. If you have a story, poem short play or art work that you would like to submit, submit it to *Chimes* in care of 303 Madeleva Hall no later than the Monday after mid-semester break.

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Ivory, a charcoal drawing, was submitted to *Chimes* by its art editor, Valerie Hicks.
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Hoops teams thriving in football-crazed Alabama

By Paul Newberry

Montgomery, Ala.-If this keeps up, folks around here might just put football recruiting on the back burner for a while. Maybe they'll realize basketball is more than an annoyance to pass the time until spring practice.

On back-to-back nights, Alabama whipped defending national champion Arkansas by 18 points - at Bud Walton Arena, no less - and Auburn knocked off another Final Four team, Florida.

Not bad for a state where college football is king and basketball is only tolerated.

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Wednesday, January 25, 1995 "We realized that was a good game, a good win and a quality road win," coach David Hobbs said. "But in the final analysis, it's only one win. It counts the same as every other game in the league."

Despite renewed interest at Auburn, the Tigers are averaging less than 5,000 per game. Alabama (13-4, 3-2) has yet to attract a sellout crowd, though attendance has picked up since the SEC schedule began.

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Fencing teams head East to face top competition

By JOE VILLINSKI
Sports Writer

After spending the last two weekends in the midwest, the Notre Dame fencing team heads east, putting their unblemished record on the line. This will only be the first of three consecutive weekends that finds the Irish challenging some of the toughest competition in the east.

Making these next three weekends even more challenging is that the Irish now possess something that usually finds the Irish challenging differently when your at the top. "Teams are always psychoed to fence us now," foil captain Stan Brunner said. "It will be no different when the Irish travel to Rutgers this weekend to fence Columbia, St. John's and host Rutgers. "This weekend will be the toughest one so far," epee captain laudeal de Bruin said. "This weekend is a benchmark as to if we will be contenders for the national championship once again," men's head coach Mike DeCicco said. Headlining the competition at Rutgers will be a strong St. John's team which is on the rise. Last year at the national championships, the Redmen placed second in men's foil and seventh in women's foil. With St. John's returning almost every starter from that team, the Redmen will go a long way in marking that bench for Coach DeCicco. "St. John's foil team is proba­bly the toughest one we are going to face all year," Brunner added. "They are well-trained, work hard, and have excellent coaching."

Two years have now gone by since Columbia won the national championship and they continue to be solid. Columbia finished fifth in men's foil and eighth in sabre at the national championships last year. "They have a strong team overall," DeCicco commented. Host Rutgers finished 20th overall last year at the championship, but it is not as a team that they pose a threat. "Rutgers is more of a threat with individuals than with the whole team," DeCicco added.

According to de Bruin, this seems to be the case. "Everybody has been working really hard on both situations, concentration, and focusing well," DeBruin added. As the Irish embark upon a journey known as the March Run this weekend, they know they must be ready in order to defend their crown.
Bethel cruises past SMC hoops
By ARWEN DICKEY

Busy weekend for SMC swimmers
By ANGELA OLSEN

Putting the ball in the basket turned out to be the difference with Saint Mary's shooting just 29 percent for the entire game while Bethel shot 37 percent. The Belles played strong defense and equalled the Pilots in turnovers. Junior forward Vanessa Taubenheim led Saint Mary's with 19 points, and freshman forward Julie McGill also scored in double digits with 13. Another high point for the Belles was the ten rebounds pulled in by junior center Barbara Howell.

Coach Marvin Wood said, "It was nip and tuck the whole game. We had excellent opportunities, but we just didn't cash in."

Saint Mary's swim coach Greg Janson characterizes this weekend as the "biggest stepping stone for getting us through the rest of the season." The Belles (1-3) begin their busy weekend tonight at 7:00pm in Rolfs Aquatic Center in a dual meet against the University of Chicago.

Tomorrow morning the Belles will travel to Kalamazoo College for a dual meet beginning at 11:00am. The Belles will then return to Rolfs in the evening to host a double dual which begins at 7:00pm against Illinois Benedictine and DePauw.

Coach Janson predicts the matchup with Chicago will be close. "Last year they beat us by two," he said.

The meets on Saturday will also pose a challenge to the Belles. "Kalamazoo is going to be a pretty tough meet, but we will probably score big in our freestyle events," said Janson, "We could come out on top."

This weekends busy schedule has not slowed down the Belles practicing habits this past week. "We continued with our normal training," said junior tri-captain Jennifer Mitchell. "We should be able to hang in there."

Saint Mary's swimmers will compete against four teams in three separate matches on Friday and Saturday.
MEN'S TENNIS

Gophers avenge NCAA tourney loss to Notre Dame

By B. J. HOOD
Sports Writer

Notre Dame tennis coach Bob Bayliss predicted the Notre Dame-Minnesota tennis match would go down to the wire. His prediction came true on Thursday as Minnesota defeated Notre Dame 4-3.

Minnesota won the doubles point by winning the first two doubles matches. Bayliss said Ryan Simme and John J. O'Brien played well in winning the third doubles match 8-3.

"We played very poorly at number one and two doubles and were very passive and made a lot of mistakes, but played a great number three doubles," Bayliss said. "After winning the doubles point, all they (Minnesota) had to do was split the rest of the matches, and that is what they did."

Ryan Simme lost to Ross Loel at the number one position 5-7, 6-4, 6-4. Mike Sprouse defeated Lars Hjarrand 7-5, 4-6, 7-5 at number two. At number three, Stefan Tfvetkov beat John J. O'Brien 6-7, 7-6, 6-3.

Bayliss was pleased with O'Brien's performance despite the setback.

"I thought O'Brien played his heart out today," Bayliss said. "On Sprouse he added, "Mike Sprouse showed poise and courage in defeating one of the best players in the country." Eric Donley of Minnesota defeated Jason Pun at number four, Notre Dame's Jakub Pietrowski beat Ben Gabler at number five, and at the number six position Notre Dame's Steve Flanigan was victorious over Roberto Rudill.

Bayless was pleased with Pietrowski and Flanigan in their first career matches.

"Flanigan got off to a good start in his first match, and Pietrowski played well under the pressure of it being his first match. He (Pietrowski) pulled himself together in the third set, and began to initiate the action."

Bayless said his team was in a position to win until the end, and he hopes the match will be a wake up call for the team. In the next three weeks, the Irish will play the number one, six, eight, sixteen, and twenty teams in the country. Bayless says he feels the team will be improved by the tough competition.

Next for Coach Bayliss is to take Ryan Simme and Mike Sprouse to Dallas next weekend for the National Rolex indoor singles and doubles championship. The top thirty-two players in the country are invited to the event. The next Notre Dame match is February 7 at Michigan State.

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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Irish defeat Phoenix

by K.C. GOYER Special Writer

All was quiet in Green Bay when the Notre Dame women's basketball team left the floor. When the game started before a rambunctious crowd at the Phoenix Sports Center Wednesday night, the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay boomed an undefeated 7-0 home record. Then came the Irish, breaking the streak with a 67-56 victory.

Carey Purser opened the game with two baskets in the key. After that, each team member contributed to the score as if in sequence. However, Green Bay remained fierce, keeping the margin near six points throughout the first half. The Irish were trailing 54-50 when the Katriya Gaither-Beth Morgan tea party began. After four unanswered baskets by the dangerous duo, the Irish found themselves with an uneasy four point lead.

The W-GB fans were attempting to rally their team, but the noise stopped with the Irish's first basket of the second half, leaving them six points shy of the 1000 point mark.

The Irish will host Wisconsin-Milwaukee on Saturday night. Notre Dame has won its last five games at home and has an 11-7 overall mark, including a perfect 7-0 in conference play. The game will be at 7:00 at the J.A.C.C. arena.

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Letitia currently leads the team in assists and has one of the all time best assist to turnover ratios.

"It's really impressive for a forward to have more assists than the point guard," McGraw said, "Which shows what an unwillingness she is to Teammates and coaches alike cite Bowen's work ethic as her most admirable quality.

"She expects a lot from herself," McGraw said, "And she doesn't quit until she gets it right."

With only 3 upperclassmen on the roster, the team has a particular need for Bowen's special kind of leadership. "Letitia leads by example," McGraw said, "She's the hardest worker we have and the younger players learn from her."

And for those she leaves behind, fellow co-captain Carey Purser says it best.

"It's been a privilege to play on the same team with Letitia. She's been a great role model."

CAMPUIS MINISTRY...

Growing Up Is Hard To Do

After I graduated from kindergarten, I remember feeling like I had joined the ranks of the grown-ups. Then, I went to the first grade and to a different school which even included giants, called eighth graders, and I realized that I had a lot of growing up to do. It has been twenty-four years since I entered the first grade.

Over the past two and a half decades, there have been many times when I have thought that I had finally grown-up, and just as many times when I realized that I had growing-up to do.

As a recently ordained Holy Cross priest in a community with other Holy Cross priests and brothers who have been around a lot longer than I have and have seen and experienced a lot of changes, a lot of pain, and a lot of joy, I am reminded that although I have experienced changes, pain, and joy, my experience is limited. God willing, there is more to come.

I have been reminded that the real world is bigger than my hometown, bigger than Notre Dame (during January and February, this is particularly consoling), and bigger than me.

Not long after Jesus departed, some of his followers began to understand that they were being welcomed by Jesus to recognize that the world is bigger than Jerusalem, bigger than Judea, and bigger than them. Without watering down the Gospel, the early Christians were urged the Church to expand its vision and enter into the lives of people who, until Jesus, were thought to be outside of salvation.

Are there some people who are thought to be outside of salvation today, because of part of who they are, their experiences, and circumstances beyond their control?

Are there people who, because of sexual orientation or perceived sexual orientation are ignored or treated like they are evil or have a disease?

Are there people so afraid of other people with experiences and feelings different than their own that they harass the other people and spread rumors about the other people based on their sexual orientation or their perceived sexual orientation?

Are there people who are hurt by this?

Unfortunately, the answer is yes. Unfortunately, there are people all over this country, in the Church, and at Notre Dame who have a lot of growing up to do.

The Church calls us to grow up. Regardless of sexual orientation, God has created all of us out of love. The Gospel is challenging all of us in that it calls us, regardless of sexual orientation, to a life of freedom and discipline. We are not called to condone actions no matter what they are. That's part of growing up, too.

It may be difficult to understand people who have experiences different than we do. Growing up is hard to do. As a Church, as people of God, we are called to challenge each other and care for each other, regardless of something like sexual orientation.

Bob Dowd, C.S.C.

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Scripture Readings for This Coming Sunday

1st Reading Jeremiah 1:4-5,17-19
2nd Reading 1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13
Irish hockey looks to climb out of last place

By MICHAEL DAY
Sport Writer

If losing is a disease, the Notre Dame hockey team is currently suffering from the "Black Plague." It has been that kind of season for the Irish, owners of a lackluster 6-18-2 record and sole possession of last place in the CCHA. The squad will attempt to gain some kind of respectability this weekend, as they travel to Lake Superior State tonight and to Ferris State on Saturday.

Despite the team's dismal record and being in the midst of a four game losing streak, believe it or not, Notre Dame has started to play better hockey late. The scores of last weekend's matchups against Michigan (9-3) and Michigan State (8-3) were deceiving as the Irish played stride for stride with the national powers for two periods before folding in the end. "Notre Dame is definitely an improved team from the first time we played them," said legendary Michigan coach Red Berenson following Saturday's victory over the Irish. "If they continue to improve like they have, they will cause some problems for teams in the future."

On the surface, one might think that Red had been out in the sun too long (hence, his nickname), or that he was smoking something other than a cigarette. However, that is not the case. Not after he watched the so-called "lowly" Irish play his No. 2 ranked Wolverines off their feet for the first two periods on Saturday.

Indeed, the Irish have enjoyed a slight improvement, thanks largely to the emergence of freshman goaltender Matt Eisler and to a veteran defense led by juniors Garry Gruber and Davide Dal Grande and sophomores Brian Welch and Ben Nelsen. However, for Notre Dame to truly get over the hump and gain some respect, they must have a strong outing tonight at Lake Superior and again on Saturday against Ferris State. "These next two games are very important to us," said Eisler following Saturday's loss to Michigan. "It would give us a real confidence boost to come away with a win."

It won't be easy. True, Lake Superior has struggled this year and enters tonight's matchup with a 7-10-5 overall record, including a disappointing 5-6-1 mark in CCHA play. But the Lakers are the defending national champions, and they boast the league's top penalty killing team at nearly eighty-eight percent.

The goaltender position has not been the problem this season for LSSU. Freshman John Grahame stopped 20 of 22 shots in last weekend's loss to Miami, and sophomore Sean Kulick, who shares time at that position, ranks second in the CCHA with a 2.58 goals against average.

However, the Laker offense has been anemic at times this season, scoring just eleven goals during the squad's current five game losing streak. Junior right wing Sean Tsallaire, one of the heroes in last year's dream season, leads the team with 12 goals and 11 assists, while junior Keith Aldridge has contributed 17 points from the defensive end. Ferris State enters Saturday's game on a bit of a roll after pulling off a sweep of Western Michigan last weekend. The Bulldogs currently stand at 10-12-2, including a 7-6-2 mark in the CCHA, but are just four points out of fourth place.

On the defensive side of the puck, the Bulldogs could be in trouble. Neither freshman Jeff Blashill or sophomore Seth Appert has enjoyed too much success at goaltender, so Irish forwards Jamie Ling (11 points) and Tim Habberts (23) should pad their point totals this weekend.

A pair of victories this weekend would do wonders for recognition and respect in the CCHA. It would also determine if this disease has a cure.

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**Irish to face BC tomorrow**

By TIM SHERMAN  
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With the arrival of the much-hyped Felipe Lopez of St. John’s and Georgetown’s Allen Iverson, many observers of Big East basketball claim that the conference is rapidly changing over to a more run-and-gun style. They say gone are the days when Big East big men dominated the scene. Try telling that to Notre Dame’s Pat Garrity and Boston College’s Danya Abrams.

This will be the first match-up of the two young big men, but with Abrams being just a sophomore and the Irish entering the Big East next season, it will not be the last.

Garrity, a 6’9” freshman, has been a major surprise for John MacLeod’s Irish. He has shown both a soft stroke from the outside and a solid inside game. Both, especially the latter, will be tested tomorrow, as Garrity will try to help Boston stop a five-game skid.

The only starter returning from last year’s Elite Eight squad, Abrams was picked to be one of coach Jim O’Brien’s tri-captains in just his second season. That designation matters little off the court to the 1993 New York “Mr. Basketball”.

“I just go out and work hard and do whatever it takes to win,” said Abrams. “I lead by example.”

Thus far, that example has been a model which most players would love to follow. The two-time Big East player of the week is averaging 19.5 points and pulls down an average of 8.5 rebounds per contest, both good enough to lead the struggling Eagles.

Boston College, like Duke, enters the ACC without a conference win to their name. They have dropped all seven Big East tilts.

But also like the Blue Devils, there is no shortage of talent. First-year front-court players Bervin Thomas and Mickey Curley (yes, the brother of the black-mouthpieced Billy, now in the NBA) have learned to take advantage of the attention which opponents pay to Abrams.

Outside, the Eagles boast decent size, if not talent. 6’6” Kevin Hrobowski and 6’5” Duane Woodward combine for nearly nine caroms per game.

**Bowen steps up for Irish**

**Senior forward close to reaching 1,000 point mark**

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"Relentless." When asked to describe Letitia Bowen in one word, Coach Muffet McGraw was quick to respond.

Examples abound. As a sophomore, she played in an entire overtime game against Georgetown University without rest, and was unstoppable as she pulled down 18 rebounds and scored 6 of the last 7 points to win the game. The following year in a game against Butler University, Bowen picked up her 4th foul a little over 2 minutes into the second half. She didn’t foul out, but in that half alone scored 16 points, grabbed 7 rebounds, and scored the winning basket at the buzzer.

Letitia Caye Bowen, a 6’0” forward from Buchanan, MI, surpassed the Notre Dame career rebounding mark last Saturday. She currently has a total of 866 boards and counting. Bowen holds the record for the most rebounds in one game, grabbing 18 twice in her career. She has been the team’s leading rebounder since her sophomore year, and in one season was the team’s leading scorer and shot blocker as well.

On advice to other players about rebounding, Bowen is inspirational.

“There’s no certain technique. Always feel like you can get the ball no matter where it is,” Bowen said. “It’s all desire. You just gotta go get it.”

Bowen will most likely score her 1,000th point on Saturday when the Irish host the University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee. The only senior on the team, she has the most career points with 994.

As a freshman Bowen’s first challenge was to move her game from the inside to the perimeter.

“Letitia did a great job adjusting to a role as small forward,” Coach McGraw said. “She has worked hard and improved in ball handling and passing.”

**TEennis drops opener**

The Irish men lost a close 4-3 decision to a ranked Minnesota squad at the Eck Pavillion yesterday.

**Scottie Pippen was suspended for one game and fined $6,000 for throwing a chair onto the court at the United Center on Tuesday.**