Fair promotes women's health

By CHRISTINA TECSON
Assistant News Editor

The Women's Health Fair at Saint Mary's LeMans Hall yesterday proved to be a success as women gathered to pick up pamphlets and brochures and ask questions of those representative to promote the emotional, social, and physical wellbeing of women.

The fair was open to all women in the community and many took advantage of the opportunity sponsored by the Student League for Women's Colleges (SLWC) and attended by twenty-three local businesses, hospitals, and organizations. "We ordered food for 300 and that was gone after the first hour," said Katie Clancy, SLWC president.

"It was better than what we could have hoped for," she said of the estimated 500 people who attended. "We were really pleased. All the businesses were really happy with the turnout."

Attendance included women from Saint Mary's and Notre Dame, the South Bend area, and also a number of high school students.

"We were really happy about the teenagers because it exposed them to women's issues at an early age," said Clancy.

Saint Mary's students who attended were pleased with the organizations who participated and the information available. Some of the more popular attractions, according to Clancy, were the massages, the herbalist who gave out health food samples, and the self-defense demonstration.

"I really liked the chance to try out different products by Bath & Body Works," said freshman Carey Gilmore. "I thought there was a lot of information offered at the fair on topics important to women's lives, like breast examination, self-defense, and sexually transmitted diseases."

Both the organizations who participated and the students who attended were pleased with the outcome.

"The different organizations that came were very helpful and glad to be there. It was a pleasant atmosphere," said senior Katie Gisch.

By BRONWYN MOLINARO
News Writer

Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat must continue his moves toward becoming a respected statesman in order for his peace proposals to be effective in the Middle East, Professor Haim Gordon from Ben-Gurion University in Israel said in a lecture last Saturday at the Hesburgh Center.

In past years, Arafat has been a symbol of radicalism and has always been associated with such radical and anarchistic world leaders as Saddam Hussein.

However, in recent years Arafat has had to change his radical ways, taking instead the form of a statesman. "This is probably the most difficult challenge he has ever had to face. The only man who has ever successfully accomplished such a feat was Nelson Mandela who had the aid of years in prison to think things through," Gordon said.

Arafat has made several steps towards such a change. Probably one of the most significant gestures he has made was when he defied the skeptics and settled down in the Gaza Strip in the heartland of the Palestinian world. Normally Arafat flies all over the world and never stays in any one place long enough to even get settled in a hotel.

"He knows he is the symbol for the Palestinians" suggested Gordon. "He has always been seen as a thug, and it is hard to change his attitude, but his settlement is a major gesture to the people."

In his quest to become a statesman, Arafat faces two main oppositions: the Hamas in Gaza — a radical group which is much like the Arafat of years past and the Israeli leaders who Arafat is trying to make a peace with.

Arafat relied on military methods to solve problems, but now that he is trying to be civilized about his peace talks, he must worry about the Hamas radicals, according to Gordon.

\"He is constantly surrounded by guards,\" Gordon said. \"because there is a constant threat of a terrorist act anytime he is in the open.\"

Just recently, Gordon invited Arafat and other Israeli leaders to visit Ben-Gurion University, and almost immediately after he extended his invitation to Arafat, threats of violence were made public.

If the Hamas — who are supported by less than 15% of the Palestinians were Arafat's only opposition, Arafat's position would be extremely strong, according to Gordon.

\"Arafat would win \"he said, \"by 60 to 70 percent.\" He said.

However, the Israeli government poses a bigger threat to Arafat. The biggest problem, according to Gordon, is the fact that Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin's indecision on a number of requests proposed by Arafat has hurt Arafat's Peace Platform. \"Rabin does not know how to make decisions,\" Gordon said.

Gordon: Arafat improving image

By BRIAN MOLINARO
News Writer

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Now's the time for thanks

I approached the writing of this column with a bit of mild trepidation. In the past, my views in this column have been labeled extramural and (heaven-forbid) anti-Cleveland, among other things. As a result, I prefer to fashion myself as an old-fashioned sentimentalist.

With Valentine's Day just past and Parents Weekend behind us, this column seems well-suited to take up the sentimentality with which I profess to espouse.

As it is Parents Weekend the cliché trap would be to wax endlessly about the merits of our parents and all they have done for us. But I won't insult your intelligence by going into why they have done at least this. I assume you already know what your parents have done for you and how much you have benefited by having them in your life. It is something that really cannot be put into words.

What often goes unsaid is “thank you” to the people that have given so much. All of us would not be here—biologically speaking, of course—if it were not for our parents. Most of us would not be the way we are today without our parents' support from those who really care about us.

Parents have often been called the most thankless job and I am sure most parents here would attest to that fact. However most parents would also tell you that they would not want to be thanked. Seeing their children happy is enough.

Parents are the true martyrs of life. They sacrifice so much for the benefit of their children. They often place the needs of their chil­dren above their own needs. When you are their children, what we all are looking for and need out of life—and that is unconditional love and support from those who really care about us. When we find the right partner in life, this will still be needed. Until then we have our parents who, for many of us, are a source of this love and support.

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Four people killed as tornadohits Alabama towns

ARAB, Ala. A pre-dawn tornado ripped across north Alabama today, killing at least four people and injuring more than 100, authorities said.

The dead, all in Arab, included a young child, Marshall County Coroner Demberly Hibbs said.

At least one resident reported hearing no warning siren before the storm hit shortly after 2 a.m. Less than an hour before that, lightning struck the office of the National Weather Service in nearby Huntsville, forcing its evacuation. But a warning was issued shortly before the storm hit the service's office in Birmingham.

Karen Berry of Arab said this "roar woke me up," trees were flying through the air and the power went out.

"They can give you a siren warning, but they didn't do this morning," she said. "There was nothing."

Officials at Gunterville-Abbeville Medical Center said 66 people were treated, with 13 admitted and four transferred to Huntsville for additional care. They said they know of 40 other people taken to two other hospitals.

Farm buildings collapsed, metal buildings peeled open, trailers were knocked apart and toys and furniture were strewn amid the rubble in the tornado's wake.

For Clinton, politics was 'only choice'

After losing his re-election bid for Arkansas governor in 1980 Bill Clinton made clear that the focus of his drive for political success was not a destination for those who have no other choice. Why politics? A student asked the defeated candidate.

"It's the only track I've ever wanted to run on," Clinton replied. The story is told in the newly issued First in His Class: A Biography of Bill Clinton, by David Maraniss, a Washington Post reporter who won the Pultizer Prize in 1992 on Clinton's life. The author, quoting friends from Clinton's Oxford days, concludes there was one substance Clinton really never had an appetite for—marijuana. Clinton was riduced in his 1992 presidential campaign for saying he tried the stuff but "never inhaled." "We spent enormous amounts of time trying to teach him to inhale," the author quotes a Clinton friend as saying.

Oldest woman celebrates 120th

PARIS "God must have forgotten me," Jeanne Calment said in fond of saying. The World's oldest living person is preparing to celebrate her 120th birthday on Tuesday. "I've had a beautiful life," she said in an interview pub­lished Thursday in the newspaper Le Figaro. "With good health, I'm happy."

Calment was born in 1878 in a small village in the southeastern part of Arles, where she still lives, has outlived her husband and her brother. Her daugh­ter and grandson also are dead, and she has no direct descendents. The Guinness Book of Records says Mrs. Clinton is the world's oldest living person whose date of birth can be reliably authenticated. She became the doyenne in 1991 with the death of a 116-year-old American, Mrs. Frances Trollope Belperron of Columbus, Ohio. Mrs. Calment said she has forced to give up her two cigarettes a day and her single glass of port before meals. But she still munches on chocolate, "like a baby." Mrs. Calment said Thursday, recalling the moment she died and thinking what her body would be like after she had been sleeping. As she spoke, a little neighbor girl sat in a nearby car and cried.

Reynolds said the dead were the child of 5 or 6 killed in a house, a man about 30 killed in a house, an elderly woman killed in a house, and a man in his 30s killed in a trailer. In addition to the four tornado deaths, a fifth person died in a traffic accident that may have been caused by rain-slicked roads, authorities said.

(ARab (pronounced AY rah) is 30 miles south of Huntsville and has a population of about 6,300.)

Comatose son awakens; Mom rejoices

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Paige: Dreams, desire bring success

By CAROLINE BLUM
News Writer

Success results from a desire to realize one's dream, Dr. Sophia Paige said last night in a lecture as part of African-American Culture Week.

Paige was invited to speak by her sister Alia, a senior at Saint Mary's and coordinator of the week.

Alia Paige was given the task to find an inspirational speaker whom she thought was an African-American success. When she reviewed her original list, she realized her real image of success was held by her sister, Sophia.

Sophia attended the University of Virginia, where she graduated at the top of her class. She then attended medical school at Ohio State University, and became the first black female to graduate. Her accomplishments continued when she was offered a residency at the University of California at Los Angeles.

When she finishes her residency next year, she will qualify as the first black woman to do so.

Last night, however, Dr. Paige did not wish to flaunt her accomplishments. Rather, she hoped to spread her recipe for success to the Saint Mary's community.

"I believe my college personal statement is the best words of advice I can give you: 'The development of the individual is a never-ending process that is guided by one's desire to realize a dream.'"

For Paige, her dream was founded in the sixth grade when she was called "stupid" by her teacher. She dedicated her every effort towards proving that she was not stupid. When Paige entered college, she realized that she had accomplished her dream. For this reason, Paige claimed, the essence of a dream must be present in every individual.

The dream is the only way to reach success.

Paige continued her recipe for success with the insistence that not only should one not be afraid of their dream, but the dream must be one's own as well. She also confronted the possibility of a deferred dream.

"A deferred dream is simply that — deferred. People can only fail at their dreams if they lack the ability to try," said Paige. "We will always have that ability."

Throughout college and medical school, Paige said, her journey was not easy. She described times when people mistook her for kitchen or cleaning help. However, Paige's courage and pride have given her a sarcastic attitude about the situations.

"In life, I've always remembered to keep my eye on the prize. In the words of Maya Angelou, 'you can bring me down, but like dust, I'll rise,'" said Paige.

Paige closed the lecture with the reminder that success is a state of mind. She described how success comes from the heart and works its way out.

"Remember, there are no failures, just setbacks. Your job is to decide what is a failure and what is a setback. Again, we all are destined to rise," said Paige.
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some of the most intelligent college students in the country. At the tryout, 100 college students were shown a video-tape of the show's host, Alex Trebek, reading questions. This test included 50 questions that were similar to those used on the show. Of these students, the 10 highest scorers played a mock game and told contest organizers about themselves. Smith, from Columbia, Michi-
gan, was selected in January that he had been selected from 150 finalists to compete in the championship.

The tournament consists of three rounds. The first, a quar-
terfinal round, has five games. Each game will have three con-
testants. The five winners of the games and four highest-
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Be observers to the semifinal round, which will consist of three games.

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Combat not necessary to write war literature

By CHRISTINE DEBEVIC
News Writer

Just because women are not allowed to see action during war, does that mean that they should not write about the war? James Campbell, professor of English, addressed this question yesterday afternoon at a gender studies lecture held in Deen Hall.

One common misconception pertaining to literary criticism of the world wars, according to Campbell, is that in order to have knowledge of a war, one must have combat knowledge of that war. An author of war literature supposedly must have this knowledge in order to have something worthwhile to pass on to the audience. However, that is not necessarily true.

■ Correction

Wednesday's article on the Saint Mary's Archives should have said Sister Dunleavy became director two years after it was established. The Observer regrets the error.

Brad Mroczek
Happy 19th Birthday
on Feb. 18th
Love, Mom

Foster begins defense today

Nominee to appear before Kasbeaum

By NITA LEELYVLD
Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Dr. Henry Foster Jr. says he wants senators to look at his entire life — not just at the fact that he has performed abortions — before deciding whether they can support him as surgeon general.

Today, he will make his case to Sen. Nancy Landon Kassebaum, the pro-choice Kansas Republican who chairs the Labor and Human Resources Committee, which will hold hearings on his nomination.

Foster will also meet with Sens. Edward M. Kennedy, D-Mass., the committee's former chairman, and another Democratic committee member, Sen. Barbara Mikulski of Maryland, both of whom are among the small number of senators who have publicly supported him so far. In addition, he will pay a visit to pro-choice Republican Sen. Arlen Specter of Pennsylvania, who has given speeches on the Senate floor to say abortion should not be a litmus test in the nomination.

An Associated Press poll of 1,008 adults found 36 percent supporting the Foster nomination, 22 percent opposed and 41 percent unsure. Only 22 percent said performing abortions should automatically disqualify someone from being surgeon general.

In meetings Wednesday with Senate Minority Leader Tom Daschle, D-S.D., and Sen. Patty Murray, D-Wash., Foster discussed his plans for the job.

"Mothers and babies, that's the future of this country," the 61-year-old Tennessee obstetrician-gynecologist said he told them.

Since Foster's nomination was announced less than two weeks ago, it has been under fire from anti-abortion groups and conservative lawmakers.

"There's a lot of lies out there, but I'm going to have my day. That's what the hearings are for," Foster told Daschle as reporters looked on. "I want people to see my record, my entire life's work, see me in toto."

After the meeting, Daschle reiterated a statement saying he was "increasingly encouraged" about the nomination. "He clearly understands the many critical public health issues facing our country, and he has sound ideas about how to advance solutions for them," Daschle said "no one is more capable" of addressing the issue of preventing teen pregnancy.

But opposition to Foster remained loud and strong. Many senators have criticized the nomination, citing as reasons both a lack of faith in his credibility and the abortions he has performed. The White House and Foster several times have changed their estimates of the number of abortions he performed.

"His integrity is in serious question," said Sen. Judd Gregg, R-N.H., a member of the Labor Committee.

On the other side, Murray said she was excited about having a surgeon general who would be able to talk about women's health issues.

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Yeltsin defends Chechen war to parliament

By LARRY RYCKMAN

President Boris Yeltsin, looking somber but fit, defended his decision to send Russian soldiers to war in Chechnya and blamed his military leaders today for the "big losses" and "human rights violations" in the breakaway southern republic.

It was Yeltsin's sharpest criticism yet of the military. Some analysts have predicted a high-level shakeup will follow.

Yeltsin, in his annual state-of-the-nation address to parliament, observed a moment of silence with lawmakers in the Kremlin's Marble Hall for victims of the Chechnya bloodshed.

"The fire of an armed mutiny has not yet been extinguished in the Chechen republic," Yeltsin said. "Russian soldiers fulfill their duty in the most difficult conditions there. People are still dying and suffering there."

"The Russian president's address... does not contain a single new word," Gennady Zyuganov, the leader of the Communist Party, said later.

Yeltsin reaffirmed his support for economic and political reforms, and urged lawmakers to sharply control state spending and curb inflation. He declared stabilizing the beleaguered ruble to be "the primary task."

"We must build a bridge between the inflationary past and the investment-rich future," he said.

Yeltsin also said good relations with Washington remained a major part of his foreign policy, but he warned against any attempts to isolate Russia by expanding NATO eastward.

"We do not want Europe and the world to return to old or new divisive lines," he said.

In Washington, Secretary of State Warren Christopher told a congressional panel he was reviewing Yeltsin's speech and was not prepared to analyze it. Christopher noted, however, Yeltsin's commitment to hold elections and said, "It's very important that those commitments go forward and be kept."

"I was Yeltsin's first major address since he sent 40,000 soldiers into Chechnya on Dec. 11 to force the republic to renounce its self-proclaimed independence.

Thousands of people have been killed and the Chechen capital, Grozny, has been turned into a wasteland. Since the war began, Yeltsin's popularity has plunged to all-time low, and some lawmakers have urged the president to resign before his term expires in 1996.

Yeltsin said today that he intended to hold presidential and parliamentary elections as scheduled.

The president had delayed his annual address twice, apparently waiting until his soldiers gained the upper hand in Chechnya. A two-day truce took effect there today.

Yeltsin said Russia was forced to act to remove the "cancerous tumor of the Grozny regime," which he said had "made criminal business its main job."

While praising Russian soldiers, he said the events in Chechnya demonstrated the need to reorganize the military command, which he blamed for the "failures, setbacks and mistakes" in the war. "We must admit that at present the armed forces are not prepared to resolve local conflicts," he said. They used the "same old tactics in the initial stage of the operation, and their efforts were "uncordinated," he said.

"This is the main reason for the big losses," he said. "This is the root of the human rights violations in the course of combat activities."

There have persistent reports that Yeltsin plans to oust Defense Minister Pavel Grachev or other top officials involved in planning the Chechnya offensive, which began as an all-out, Soviet-style offensive reminiscent of the war in Afghanistan.

Unlike Afghanistan, many Russian soldiers were reluctant to fire on the enemy — in this case their compatriots — and relied on artillery and rocket fire to wear the rebels down.

"This year we must take decisive measures to reorganize the armed forces," Yeltsin said. "We must improve their funding, their training, the coordination of all actions to ensure law and order and the defense capabilities of the country."

The war has badly tarnished Yeltsin's once-heroic image as a democrat. Even reformers have distanced themselves from the man who launched Russian reforms three years ago.

Western leaders have been careful to continue expressing support for Yeltsin as the best hope for reforms in Russia, but they privately worry about his stability.

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Respect and dignity come with those rights are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness. We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these rights are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness.

— The Declaration of Independence

Word to live by, and for. Words for which we often hear and speak these very words, but do we fully understand their importance? The word equality often helps blacks that are, in fact, no different from whites. Ultimately, this thinking culminates in a fundamental disagreement over how natural and universal respect for these cultural and racial differences. We cannot ignore the fact that people of all ethnic and racial backgrounds continue to be troubled by racial tension and inequity. We ought to respect one another's background in the same manner we respect that each person is religious, and we ought to recognize the uniqueness of such cultures. We cannot help but recognize the differences in one another, we fragment the American family and risk racial tension.

The question naturally arises: can the system of class-based affirmative action help those who do not need such help, and no longer will blacks be receiving benefits simply because of the color of their skin. This system would de-emphasize racial difference, and would be coupled with the understanding that while race, culture, and ethnicity are important, we must first focus on the individual as a person,This program purposed to foster the equality of disadvantaged blacks. While this may accomplish this goal, they also taint the accomplishments of capable blacks that do not need or desire such preferential treatment. They often help blacks that are not so privileged at all, such as those from the West Indies who, on average, earn 15 percent more money than the average American. Furthermore, as noted above, the programs often cause resentment and malevolence among whites.

On the other hand, these programs have helped to elevate the status of blacks in today's society. In 1961, only 34 years ago, a survey concluded that "98 percent of white-collar job orders received from over 5,000 companies were not available to qualified Negroes" in that year (Bart Landry). But between 1967 and 1989 the number of black computer programmers has increased 343 percent; black accountants has increased 479 percent; black lawyers 280 percent; and black computer programmers 343 percent (ibid). Furthermore, research by Harvard economist Richard Freeman indicates that "comparisons of blacks and whites who grew up in the same circumstances and went on to get similar educations show no differences in their average incomes" (ibid). This progress in the economic realm is encouraging, but our society continues to be troubled by racial tension and inequity. The question naturally arises: can the current system of affirmative action retain these benefits without alienating whites? Can our governmental, educational, and public policy continue to stress the difference between blacks and whites, while attempting to encourage people to treat others as equals in terms of sameness? We can, however, modify the system to continue to help disadvantaged blacks, without alienating whites through a system of class-based affirmative action. Such a system would provide preferential treatment (namely in education) to those in poverty. After all, these are the people who are truly disadvantaged—problems such as poverty, inadequate education, dependency, and criminal behavior, do not discriminate on the basis of race. These problems that affect our society's disadvantaged and disenfranchised—blacks, whites and people of all ethnic and racial backgrounds. With a system of class-based affirmative action well-qualified blacks would no longer be stigmatized by stereotypes and color. The programs often cause resentment and malevolence among whites.

The other school of thought diametrically opposes this thinking. They maintain that because we are equal, we must respect one another's individual and cultural identities. We cannot ignore these differences because they are part of each one of us; recognizing and respecting these cultural and racial differences equally preserves the human dignity of every group. The mutual exclusivity of these schools of thought leads to racial tension. If we emphasize sameness in people, we neglect to recognize peoples distinct culture, and we suppress the uniqueness of such cultures. We cannot ignore these differences because they are part of each one of us; recognizing and respecting these cultural and racial differences equally preserves the human dignity of every group. The mutual exclusivity of these schools of thought leads to racial tension. If we emphasize sameness in people, we neglect to recognize peoples distinct culture, and we suppress the uniqueness of such cultures. We cannot ignore these differences because they are part of each one of us; recognizing and respecting these cultural and racial differences equally preserves the human dignity of every group.

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Dear Editor,

In light of the two letters written in the Feb. 13 edition of the Observer, I would like to address both Jay Town and Greg Van Grunsven.

Jay Town paints a picture of Gays and Lesbians' Forum (GLND/SMC) at Saint Mary's College as a sort of recruitment organization, in which members go on midnight raids to kidnap and brainwash new initiates. This assessment could be laughed at were it not earnestly written and published in the school newspaper.

Through all the harrowing business, a single person has been put through in the past few weeks, it has maintained its integrity as a well-run, supportive group that asks merely for tolerance and understanding from the student body, so that homosexual students might have some small venue through which to form a sense of community and support.

Town says that one of GLND/SMC’s primary functions is "to foster homosexual ideals and activity." He says that I have misunderstood the fact that he is not attracted to people of the same sex; does Town really expect everyone to go and eat to class and take a shower once in a while? Wasn’t this the reason for the meeting I attended earlier this term with Town and his companions.

To voice my agreement with Greg Van Grunsven regarding the “silent majority,” I would like to respond to him. The Oregon ballot measure nine first is exactly what the opinion was voiced in candid discussions and even through newspapers, bumper stickers, and yard signs. People, for the most part, were afraid not of homosexuality but of Leo Mahon and his hate-crazed club, the Oregon Citizen’s Alliance.

HUMAN psychology is such that people are more highly inclined to speak out on an issue if they are in opposition to it. Thus, it is a relief, unfortunately, from the standpoint of those who wish to see the GLND/SMC and Saint Mary's College protected from the evils that they seek to propagate.

It is time for Jay Town and the Notre Dame administration to get with the times or get off the bandwagon of respect for the well-meant and arched denials of such frightened, and their opinion about the sexual students at a Catholic university continue. Notre Dame will be seen as neither rational and Scripture is clear; this is one of the one of our cherished tenets which not only gives them the right to live with dignity, but also imposes on them the responsibility of living up to that right.

Keith Roth is a second year law student.

Saturday, February 17, 1995

DEAR EDITOR:

I would like to voice my disapproval of the attitude that Jay Town has expressed in his letter to the Editor. To begin with, his assessment of GLND/SMC as a recruitment organization is not entirely accurate. It seems that Town has confused the role of GLND/SMC as a support group for homosexuals with its role as a recruitment organization. This is a grave misrepresentation of the organization's activities.

Moreover, it seems that Town has failed to understand the reasons behind the Midnight Action raids. These raids are not conducted with the intention of kidnapping and brainwashing new initiates, but rather to bring attention to the issues faced by the GLND/SMC and other similar organizations. It is important that these issues be brought to the attention of the public, as it is only through awareness that change can be brought about.

Furthermore, it is important to recognize that the GLND/SMC and other similar organizations play a vital role in providing a support network for homosexuals. This support is necessary in a society that often discriminates against homosexuals.

I would like to encourage my fellow students to support the GLND/SMC and other similar organizations, as they play a vital role in providing a support network for homosexuals. It is important that we come together to support these organizations and work towards creating a society that is accepting and inclusive for all peoples.

RICHARD DORST
Grace Hall
Sophomore

The Church protects every human from Hell, even gays

Homosexuals are not "other." Homosexuals are sinners, just as I am and just as you are. Even if most homosexuals have a genetic predisposition toward homosexuality, all of us are still human and subject to the same rules as everyone else.

The concept of human solidarity often puts it on the side of the protection of the rights of the opprobrium, i.e., the poor, the unborn, the deformed, the dying, those on death row.

But rights and responsibilities go hand-in-hand. The rights of the unborn involve the responsibilities of the mother.

Likewise, homosexuals are humans, who are entitled to the same rights to live with dignity, but also imposes on them the responsibility of living up to that right.

Charles Roth
They are not a separate or inferior class. They are not a "group." They are humans like everyone else. 

Charles Roth is a second year law student.
The Wonder Years... Aren't you glad they're over?

By KRISTA NANNERY

At some special event or another, someone will drag out the slide projector, give it a little dusting, and before you know it, everyone’s a little more relaxed.

Junior Parent’s Weekend at Notre Dame and Sophomore Parent’s Weekend at St. Mary’s are thus especially meaningful occasions for both parties involved.

Surprisingly though, or perhaps not so surprisingly, ask any Notre Dame or Saint Mary’s student or parent to name a particularly meaningful moment in their family’s life, and you’re greeted by silence, a false start, a pause, then, “I don’t know.” There are just so many. “I’ll need to think about this for a while,” “I’ll get back to you.” Give people some time though, and you’ll be surprised at the spectrum and variety of the answers.

There are the somewhat insignificant things, made all the more special by the emphasis placed on them. Little things like crab legs, for instance. Craig Bobinette says of his parents, “When I come from break, my mom makes me my favorite crab leg meal. She knows it’s my favorite. All my brothers and sisters join me and we have a family party.”

And then there are parents who love to keep their kids on their toes. They talk about “those crazy kids.” How about “those parents?” Planner junior Fred Wettermark’s, certifies that mold. He says, “During my sophomore year my parents just showed up one night and let us stay up late on New Year’s Eve.”

But absence may be the heart grow fonder? The parents of Christopher Lary had an interesting experience last summer when their son decided to do something different. He got into his car and drove to a place he’d never been to before—Martha’s Vineyard. It was a pretty long drive from his home state of Iowa, even considering he had no job and nowhere to stay once he got there. His mother adds, “He wrote to the pastor of the parish—how he was a fine Catholic boy. The priest took him in and let him stay the majority of the summer.” He even eventually found a job as a landscaper.

Getting the kids out of the house often works out well for everyone involved. Trent Bell, a junior from Indianapolis, says, “My parents and I relate much better now since I’ve been away at school. We can actually hang out together now (and drink a beer).”

JPWSPW is often the first time that some parents get to see the cosmopolitan mecca of South Bend, Indiana. Some come from close by as Elkhart. Others come from less exotic locales, like Hawaii. Kristi Broderick, a Notre Dame junior, noted, “My parents are coming for JPW all the way from Hawaii. I really appreciate them for making such a long trip in order to understand my life at Notre Dame.”

How many times do you think the normal little kid hears the words, “You’re not going to go to school to play until your homework is done!” These words can sometimes have a pretty big impact on the direction that little kid’s life takes. Take Vinnie Herman for example. “My parents used to make me rewrite my papers when I was kid until I thought I would scream.” Now he’s an English major.

Some influences go even farther back. In 1936, Sean Norton’s grandfather graduated from Notre Dame with a major in chemical engineering. Exactly sixty years later, Sean, the third in his family to attend Notre Dame, will be graduating with exactly the same major. Hard work will always pay off in the end is another one of those frequently heard parental mantras. Marilyn Dufy came to Notre Dame as a transfer student. Not too long afterwards and she was chairing the Transfer Orientation Committee herself. Marilyn’s mother said, “She wanted to share with other students how happy she was.”

Some moments stand out for years in the memories of both parents and their children. Vianne McCarthy, a Notre Dame junior from Missouri, has loved soccer since first grade. Her parents recollect one memorable game: Michelle and a teammate successfully carried out a tricky play—at the last minute. The family was in the stands for the unforgettable event and say proudly of their daughter, “We’ve been complimented for her sweetness and kindness. She’s always been a star in sports, but it has never affected her.”

Eventually though, kids grow up. They change. They have kids of their own. And before you know it, they’re making their own children eat their vegetables and drink their milk. They’ve got their own kids to protect from Boogeymen and horror-of-horrors. They eat through endless little league games and dance recitals and let us stay up late on New Year’s Eve. They bragged about us to their friends. They took us trick or treating. They’ve got their own kids to get misty-eyed over.

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Parseghian: A goal for life

By PATTI CARSON
Assistant Editor

Junior Parents Weekend has arrived. You can bet there will be families celebrating at Notre Dame this weekend, laughing and enjoying everything, living for the moment.

The Parseghian family is one of the Notre Dame community who are not celebrating this weekend. Michael and Cindy Parseghian, both Notre Dame graduates of 1977, are in a race against time to save the lives of their three youngest children.

Their children, Michael, 7, Marcia, 6, and Christina, 3, have been diagnosed with Niemann-Pick Type C disease, a genetic disorder that prohibits the metabolism of cholesterol. The disease is characterized as progressive, degenerative, and until a cure is found, fatal. Ara, the oldest of the family's four children, is ten years old and does not have the disease.

The children's grandfather is the legendary Notre Dame football coach Ara Parseghian, who led the Irish to two national championships. "As in most of the events of my life, I will not accept this situation without a fight," said Parseghian. He devoted ten years of his coaching career to Notre Dame and now Parseghian is fighting for something of vital importance—the lives of his grandchildren.

Michael showed symptoms first. "His motor skills were deteriorating and he wasn't healthy," the children's aunt, Kristin Humbert said. "Michael underwent an unbelievable amount of testing. The disease actually took two years to diagnose," Humbert added. The two smallest girls have also been diagnosed with Niemann-Pick, which, according to the aunt, is a bizarre phenomenon.

The disease is complicated and takes a toll on the body rather quickly. "When the cholesterol accumulates within the cells of the spleen, liver, and brain, the nervous system becomes damaged," said Humbert.

The body deteriorates and speech becomes slurred. The vision becomes impaired, as does balance. For this reason, all of the corners of tables and furniture in the house are padded so that Michael does not hurt himself. As the disease progresses into its final stages, dementia and seizures occur.

A recent article in The Chicago Tribune quoted Dr. Michael Parmacek, a University of Chicago molecular cardiologist with expertise in the area of Niemann-Pick Type C disease. Dr. Parmacek said, "With this disease, diagnosis is usually between the ages of five and ten years, and the average child then lives about ten years.

The disease is extremely rare. As few as 500 cases of Niemann-Pick Type C have been diagnosed in the United States, according to Parmacek.

Currently there is no treatment for the disease. Research is key, in the meantime the children are kept on strict diets to avoid cholesterol. "The children can eat absolutely no fat. And they take a lot of vitamins. Each evening they take primrose oil," Humbert said. "We've even concocted some new specialties since the kids can't have meat or fat."

Recently we've developed 'Turkey McNuggets.' As a result of the family crisis, the Parseghians have developed the Ara Parseghian Medical Research Foundation. It is a nonprofit volunteer corporation which funds research that may lead to a cure for Niemann-Pick.

Currently, geneticists are working to isolate the defective gene. They are confident that the gene can be isolated within two years. Increased funding will speed up the development of new therapeutic strategies to treat victims of Niemann-Pick; funding will also shorten the timetable for isolating the gene.

"With the family hopes to raise one million dollars by April. That is the goal," Humbert said. This money will fund four labs in which researchers will work for answers.

"This research may help not only my grandchildren but other children as well. It also may help thousands of adults fighting heart disease, stroke. Alzheimer's Disease and other disorders that appear to be related to the metabolism of cholesterol," Parseghian said.

A key ingredient in the Foundation's research program is a Scientific Advisory Board, which consists of internationally recognized molecular biologists, pathologists, and geneticists. It is the job of these doctors to formulate the direction of research and to recommend certain grant proposals to the Foundation.

"Both Michael and I graduated from Notre Dame," Humbert said. This money will fund four labs in which researchers will work for answers. "This research may help not only my grandchildren but other children as well. It also may help thousands of adults fighting heart disease, stroke. Alzheimer's Disease and other disorders that appear to be related to the metabolism of cholesterol," Parseghian said. "The prayers are greatly appreciated and very helpful. We need that support right now."

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In recent literature published by his medical research foundation, Ara Parseghian said: "To paraphrase the Notre Dame fight song, 'What though the odds be great or small, with your help, we will win over all.'"

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With Ara Parseghian from left to right: Michael, 7, Chrsita, 3, Ara, 10, Marcia, 8.
Second-ranked North Carolina extended its NCAA record 20-win season to 25 straight games, sweeping 24 points from Donald Williams against Clemson in a victory over St. Joseph.

The Tar Heels (20-2, 10-2 Atlantic Coast Conference) upped their record against the Tigers in Chapel Hill to 41-0 and moved one game in front of No. 7 Maryland and No. 16 Virginia in the league standings with four ACC games remaining.

Williams, who matched his season-high point total, sank six of 11 shots from the floor, including 4-6 in the first half, while Greg Buckner led the Tigers with 15 points.

Clemson (13-8, 3-8), 8th in the Atlantic Coast Conference, hit only 2 of 14 shots in the first half and was outscored 35-14 during the opening 15 minutes. The Tigers went on a 15-0 run during the opening period, but the Tar Heels' dry spell and opened up a 25-3 lead 12-1/2 minutes into the game. Williams sank consecutive 3-pointers during the spurt.

Pat Sullivan, sidelined all season after surgery on Dec. 8, saw his first action for the Tar Heels and scored his first two points on the season on a pair of free throws 2:40 before halftime. Buckner's dunk with 35 seconds left in the first half kept the Tigers from their season-low point total for a half, which was 13 at Virginia earlier in the season.

The closest, the Tigers got in the second half was 18 points.

No. 5 Massachusetts 73, Duquesne 56

Lou Roe scored 20 points and Marcus Camby surprisingly returned to action to add 11 as No. 5 Massachusetts easily defeated Duquesne 73-56 Thursday night.

Derek Kellogg had 13 of his 16 points by halftime as the Minutemen (19-3, 1-0 Atlantic) rolled to a 41-19 intermission lead. Tom Pipkins scored 19 points for Duquesne (14-8, 1-5).

Camby, who hadn't played since Feb. 1, 1997, where he strained his left hamstring, was expected to miss three weeks. The Tar Heels' 20th consecutive 20-win season was bolstered by offensive, as Mass recorded four 10-point lead increases.

UMass won 18 points. The Tar Heels never got closer in the second half to a 12-point deficit and took 59-40 lead.

UMass was ranked No. 1 in the country when it defeated Duquesne by 50 points last month in Pittsburgh. Since then, it has been a difficult time for the Minutemen.

They needed overtime to beat West Virginia, then downed St. Bonaventure before losing Camby in the victory over St. Joseph.

Without Camby, UMass lost to George Washington and was trailing Rutgers at the half before that game was suspended because of a student protest. A victory over Southern Mississippi in Jackson Saturday night by a second loss-

The Braveys' first home loss in 42 games.

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Dante Calabria, shown here last season against Notre Dame, helped North Carolina snap its 20th consecutive 20-win season with a 66-30 victory over Clemson last night.

Harold James and Tom Roland need a new wardrobe and band bio has been extended to Monday, February 20 at 5:00 p.m. Deadline for next-day classifieds is 5 p.m. All classifieds must be prepaid. The charge is 2 cents per character per day, including all spaces.

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Kids, Wipe me up skidoo, hope all went well good and sure be sure to mention the best deal is always an option to Brian Ford.
Spring training starts for not so real Yankees

By CHRIS SHERIDAN
Associated Press

FORT LAUDERDALE, Fla. — On the first day of spring training, all the essential elements were there — players in pinstripes, a manager watching over them and temperatures hovering near 80 degrees with a cool, ocean breeze.

It was all so perfect Thursday as the New York Yankees opened camp, but it was all so wrong, too.

Baseball was back, but it wasn't the real thing.

There were 27 players in Yankees uniforms, but they were not the real Yankees. They were low-level minor leaguers and replacement players, not the heroes the fans wanted to see on this day usually anticipated more than any other since the World Series ends.

The real players were on strike for the 189th straight day, and many of them met with their union head in Orlando. No other formal workouts were held by the other 27 teams, although pitchers and catchers did report at several other training sites.

The fans stayed away, too.

At Fort Lauderdale Stadium, despite the free admission, row upon row of seats were empty. When practice began, fewer than 50 people were there. The attendance topped out at about 75 an hour later. Normally, a couple hundred would turn out for the opening of camp.

Hot dog vendors, souvenir vendors and security guards sat around talking to each other. Nobody asked the players for autographs because practically nobody had heard of any of these guys.

The manager and coaches went through the motions, watching players with far inferior skills.

The pitchers had about 30 tosses apiece. No curveballs were allowed. "We told them just to throw fastballs. We don't want anybody showing up hurt tomorrow," manager Buck Showalter said.

The batting also was substandard. During 20 minutes of batting practice, not a single ball was hit to the outfield fence or over it.

"A lot of these guys probably haven't swung wooden bats in years," Showalter said when asked if aluminum bats might have helped.

"We had some broken bats out there, but that was off our batting practice pitchers. Our regular players break bats, too, but they're hitting against Melido Perez and Steve Howe," Showalter said.

The workout lasted about 2½ hours, and Showalter, the coaches and trainers left afterward to attend the union meeting in Orlando.

"I've certainly listened to everything the owners said has had to say, and I'm going to listen to everything the players' union has to say," Yankees owner George Steinbrenner also came to camp and used the opportunity to call for an immediate resumption of negotiations with some "new faces at the bargaining table."

The two sides haven't met together since spurning President Clinton's demand for a settlement earlier this month at the White House. Acting commissioner Bud Selig and union head Donald Fehr spent three of the past five days negotiating and then meeting for a settlement earlier this month at the White House. Acting commissioner Bud Selig and union head Donald Fehr spent three of the past five days negotiating and then meeting for a settlement earlier this month at the White House. Acting commissioner Bud Selig and union head Donald Fehr spent three of the past five days negotiating and then meeting for a settlement earlier this month at the White House. Acting commissioner Bud Selig and union head Donald Fehr spent three of the past five days negotiating and then meeting for a settlement earlier this month at the White House.
Knicks torch Heat, led by Ewing and Mason

Associated Press

Patrick Ewing scored 13 of his 22 points in the decisive second quarter, and Anthony Mason added 22 points and 14 rebounds Thursday night to lead the New York Knicks in an 96-87 victory over the Miami Heat. The victory was the Knicks' 10th in their last 12 road games.

The loss was the first in two games for Miami's new coach, Alvin Gentry, who took over for the fired Kevin Loughery prior to Tuesday's 112-99 victory over Milwaukee. The teams meet again Friday night in New York. After getting blanked in a foul-plagued first quarter, Ewing, who had 12 rebounds, outraced the Heat 13-11 in New York's 28-11 second quarter, helping the Knicks to a 50-39 lead at halftime.

Miami made just five of 23 shots in the quarter for 21.7 percent, leading to a season-low output for a quarter. Derek Harper, who scored 11 of his 33 points in the first quarter, finished with just six points and aggravated a left shoulder strain.

Mason, who made nine of 10 shots, led the Knicks reserves, who outscored their Heat counterparts 33-4.

For the Heat, Glen Rice scored 15 of his 33 points in the first quarter, slashing Miami's deficit to 71-64. Kevin Willis added 20 points and 16 rebounds. Willis hit eight straight points to cut New York's lead to 76-72, but after Anthony Bonner was ejected for committing a flagrant foul on Matt Geiger, Herbert Davis nailed a jumper and Starks led a fast break that Mason converted into a three-point play for an 85-72 Knicks lead with 5:50 remaining.

Rockets 105, Hornets 89

Hakeem Olajuwon scored 29 points and grabbed 14 rebounds as the Houston Rockets celebrated the arrival of Clyde Drexler with a 105-89 victory over the Charlotte Hornets on Thursday night.

With a smile on his face, Drexler got into the starting lineup to begin the third quarter, missing his first two shots before sinking a 3-pointer at the 8:37 mark. Already energized by the prospect of Drexler's play, the Rockets hit 17 of 26 shots in the period for 63.0 percent. Houston rolled to a 67-49 lead at the end of the third.

The Rockets outscored the Hornets 78-70 in the fourth quarter while Charlie Scott sat out with an injured shoulder strain.

Charlotte lost another halftime game of its lead in the Central Division. Second-place Cleveland now trails by a game, and third-place Indiana trails by two games. The Hornets have lost both games they've played since the All-Star break.

Drexler sat out the last six minutes of the fourth period, but by then, the Rockets were settling on a final margin as they beat Charlotte for the 15th time in 17 meetings. Drexler finished with eight points, five rebounds, two assists and two turnovers.

Olajuwon went 14-for-23 and added 14 rebounds. Kenny Smith had 19 points. Mario Elie got 12, and Breaux and Chucky Brown had 11 each.

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Violence escalating in the United Kingdom

By CLARE NULLIS
Associated Press

ZURICH, Switzerland

FIFA president Joao Havelange on Thursday angrily brushed aside criticism that soccer's governing body is doing too little to combat the violence and scandal.

Havelange blamed Wednesday night's rampage at the Ireland-England game in Dublin on local security and said a high-level commission should not stop England from being host to the 1996 European Championship.

"Because of a localized problem which should be dealt with by local authorities, England does not deserve to host this European Championship," Havelange said.

"We reject any responsibility of FIFA in such incidents because violence is not in football, violence is in society," FIFA general secretary Sepp Blatter said. "We through the national associations, the clubs, the players and the confederations are making a lot of educational work on fair play and instructions. But we cannot control the crowd."

Since last summer's World Cup finals in the United States - about 90 players have been implicated in match-fixing scandals in Malaysia and Singapore.

- Two fans were killed at games in Italy and France.
- Manchester United forward Eric Cantona was suspended for the rest of the season after he jumped into a crowd to attack an abusive spectator last month.
- "Don't blame the social problems of a country on soccer," Havelange said. "The national federations are responsible for what happens on the pitch, but in the terraces it is up to the security forces or police."

The violence in Dublin stopped an English national team game for the first time ever. English fans broke wooden seats and hurled them at the Irish spectators beneath them Wednesday night, forcing officials to stop the exhibition match after 25 minutes.

Police arrested about 40 people from England and three from Ireland, and 40 people were treated at a hospital for various injuries. In one case a fractured skull. An Irish man in his 60s died of a heart attack while leaving the stadium, although police said he death was not thought to be related to the violence.

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when the Vikings went on a 16-8 run. Notre Dame's lead remained between five and seven points until a flurry of Cleveland State scoring in the last minute of the game tied the score.

The lead changed hands often in the extra frame, but two baskets by Gaither put the Irish ahead for good. Stacy Fields hit two free throws with just seconds on the clock for the final margin of victory.

Gaither scored over 30 points for the second time this season, the first also coming against Cleveland State. She also pulled down a career-high 16 rebounds.

Freshman Mollie Peirick scored a career-high 20 points and dished out nine assists.

Stacy Fields poured in 18 points, scoring in double figures for the sixth straight game.

"We didn't get much help from our bench," said McGraw. "The starters got tired down the stretch which allowed Cleveland State to get some easy baskets."

Notre Dame remains undefeated in MWC play with a 15-7 overall mark. The Irish travel to Philadelphia Saturday to take on LaSalle.

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Sixteenth-ranked Irish to open season with scrimmage Saturday
By DAVID TREACY
Sport Writer

The Notre Dame Lacrosse team opens its 1995 season this Saturday in the Loftus Sports Center with a scrimmage against Denison. The Irish, ranked 16th in the country in the pre-season, face the Division III team in an effort to check out their fundamentals and execution.

This scrimmage should prove to be an opportunity for the team to make sure they are ready to face a tough Penn State team, which will open the regular season for them on February 26th. However, Denison may prove to be a small speed bump for the Irish, who face seven top twenty-five teams on the ‘95 schedule.

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Howard drafted by Jaguars
By FRED GOODALL
Associated Press

JACKSONVILLE, Fla. — One team’s disappointment is another’s hope. Such was the case in the NFL expansion draft, which brought Desmond Howard to the Jacksonville Jaguars.

"Hopefully his best years are in front of him," coach Tom Coughlin said after the 1991 Heisman Trophy winner was the 55th player selected from a pool of talent left unprotected by the 28 existing teams.

The Jaguars were attracted to Howard’s speed and big-play capability. He was a major disappointment for 2 1/2 years with the Washington Redskins, but made strides the last half of 1994 and finished with 40 receptions for 727 yards and five touchdowns — all career highs. In his last six games, the one-time Michigan star averaged 19.9 yards per catch on 24 receptions and scored two TDs — one on an 81-yard play that was the longest of his career.

Howard, 24, expected to return to Washington next season and become the primary target for Heath Shuler, who struggled as a rookie last season.

The Redskins, mindful of Howard’s $1.73 million salary cap number, left him unprotected. But the 5-foot-9, 180-pound wide receiver doesn’t feel Washington gave up on him.

"They knew the risk involved. I was looking forward to going back with a more mature Heath and picking up where we left off," said Howard, who had 66 catches for 1,033 yards and scored eight TDs in three seasons in Washington.

"But realistically, who has an idea of what their future’s going to be?" he added. "You always have an idea, but nothing is guaranteed."

Howard was the 24th of 31 players selected by Jacksonville, which spent about $15.5 million on its picks, compared to the $9 million in contracts taken on by the Carolina Panthers.

Five of Jacksonville’s selections have salary cap numbers exceeding $1 million, including top pick Steve Beuerlein, who is due to make a little more than $2 million next season.

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The wide receiver is more certain about what he can do for the Jaguars, who hope to build an aggressive offense around Beuerlein, the former Raiders, Cowboys and Cardinals quarterback.

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Irish look to stop Tide

By TIM SHERMAN
Assistant Sports Editor

The 15th ranked Notre Dame women’s tennis team will be one of the many events on this Junior Parents Weekend’s slate of Irish athletic events with a match against top thirty Alabama at 11 am on Saturday in the Eck Tennis Pavilion.

“This is a very big weekend,” Irish coach Jey Louderback said. “It will be good for the parents to actually see a match.”

It will also be good for the Irish to face another ranked team. Alabama enters the match coming off a key win over Miami (Fla.) and will definitely be a challenge for the 3-3 Irish.

“They are just another solid opponent for us,” Louderback said. “Starting with Duke (three matches age), we face nine straight teams ranked in the top thirty. It is tough right now, but I think it is good in the long run.”

But for now, the focus is on the Crimson Tide.

“Alabama is a very solid team,” Louderback noted. “Their #2 and #3 singles players are both ranked in the top 80.”

That means junior Helyn Lord and senior captain Laura Sweeney will have their work cut out for them. “Helyn and Laura have played well for us,” Louderback said. “We need to continue to do so.”

Lord, along with classmates Wendy Crabtree, Sherri Vitale, and Meredith Siegfried will have the added pressure of playing in front of their parents and not getting caught up in the hectic weekend.

To help alleviate some off the pressure, Louderback made a schedule change from past years.

“In the past, we’ve played two or three matches,” Louderback explained. “Maybe we haven’t done as well as we should have. Hopefully this year with just one match we should do better.”

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Without its leading scorer, Butler bombed Notre Dame by 16 just two nights ago. And that came in the wake of two of the worst losses in Irish history—a 37-point defeat against UCLA and a 39-point loss to Kentucky.

Resilience had been a trademark of the Irish this season. They repeatedly bounced back from tough defeats, stringing together a few victories in a row to stay comfortably above .500.

But Wednesday’s loss to Butler marked the first time that Notre Dame had lost two games in a row this season; third straight could be disastrous.

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Notre Dame needs OT for victory

By MEGAN MCGRATH
Sports Writer

Most college basketball coaches have their fair share of gray hair, earned from such traumas as injuries to leading scorers and huge leads evaporating in the second half.

If Notre Dame women's coach Muffet McGraw doesn't have a few streaks of gray, Thursday night's 83-79 overtime victory at Cleveland State could have added a few.

Thursday afternoon the team was forced to send leading scorer Beth Morgan back to Notre Dame in order to undergo tests on her knee. Without Morgan in the lineup, Notre Dame lacked the scoring punch to knock Cleveland State out.

Three Notre Dame players scored in double figures, led by sophomore Katryna Gaither with 31, but the remaining six players combined for just 14 points.

The Irish blew a 19 point lead midway through the second period, and couldn't seem to put the Vikings away until late in the overtime. "I was a little disappointed with our defense in the second half," McGraw said. The Irish were up 61-43 with nine minutes to play in the half, but the remaining six players combined for just 14 points.

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