Vigil held for cancer-stricken student

By KATE STEER
Assistant News Editor

Members of the University community gathered at the Grotto to hold a vigil for Conor Murphy, a Notre Dame student who was diagnosed with leukemia Friday.

"There is student opinion that the Senate is full of sneakiness and illegitimacy, we should end this."

David Zachary
Alumni Hall senator

"I'm really glad everyone in the student body has been given the opportunity to see the run-off results," vice president-elect Norton said.

"We're really happy to find out that the student body is behind us as president and vice president," she added.

Before the envelope was opened by current student body vice president Michael Palumbo, there was debate on the relevance of seeing the null and void results. Because numbers had been leaked last week, senators did not want students to assume that senate members knew the results and were simply hiding the totals.

"I don't want this issue hanging over our head," said Phil Dittmar, Fisher Hall senator. "I think we should open it and move on. Students think we are hiding the results from them. My opinion is we should open it.

Others agreed. "I agree with Phil," said Patrick O'Donnell, Carroll Hall senator. "We all know that the run-off was invalid and doesn't matter, but still we should release the numbers. It is part of the public record, and it should be released," he said.

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INSIDE COLUMN

Throwing the game

What part of "Don't throw things on the court" don't you understand? Do you have so little respect for Coach Matt Doherty and the Irish seniors that you needed to take the game out of their hands?

But the most important question is: Why would you ever throw something onto the court?

When Jimmy Dillon, Skyler Owen's dad and Texas Tech Fan #1, happened upon the court for the last time in their Irish careers, they should have saluted the students for their effort.

Instead, they, like the rest of the team, walked off in disgust.

Can anyone blame them? Dillon had left even earlier on the court. He picked up his fifth foul diving on the floor for a loose ball. His bustling heart about half the size of a paperback novel in the game, instead, a fan in the stands decided the Irish fate.

For the first time in years, the Notre Dame student body is a virtual presence at basketball games. Unfortunately, it has been known more for its complete inability to play a pivotal role in the game. Instead, a fan in the stands decided the Irish fate.

"It's basketball," Dillon said.

"It's basketball?" Matt Doherty said after the game. "That's basketball?"

But the last item to fall from the stands was the foam ball. A college student should have enough self-control to throw away a proud ending to their home career.

"Maybe they shouldn't throw balls into the stands anymore," Doherty said after the game.

"It's too tempting to have a ball in your hands and not to throw it."

"It's too tempting for a 6-year-old not to throw a ball. A college student should have enough self-control to refrain from doing things they shouldn't.

All three people who throw items should hang their heads in shame. The first item tossed on the court was met with a warning directly from Doherty.

For some reason, two fans felt that warning did not apply to them.

The second thrower was lucky. Martin Hegedus threw the foam ball tossed from the stands off the court before a ref saw it.

But the third thrower, the one on every student's mind, was the most inexcusable and stupid event of the year for Irish fans.

Because some fan felt the need to ignore a direct request from Doherty, the game was taken away from the players' hands and put into a water bottle.

If the Irish find themselves NIT-bound, don't blame them. Blame the technical. Blame the guy who threw the water bottle.

"This is the worst thing that's ever happened to this game," said the game that his team would have won the game with or without the technical.

Many Irish fans are found to be able to settle that question. But thanks to a fan who felt that he was better than the team, that question will never be answered.

For Dillon, Owen, Palmer and every senior in the student section, that student threw away much more than a basketball game; he threw away the last meaningful ending of their career.

"It's unfortunate that it had to come down to that," Doherty said. "But that's basketball."

That's basketball!

No. Basketball is played on the court by the players, not some guy in the stands.

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Thursday

- **Student Services Week:**
  - Karaoke at dining halls from 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.
  - **NAACP Relationship**
  - Forum: "Two Wrongs Don't Make a Right, But it Makes It Even" @ LaFouente, free admission

Friday

- **Strong Women in Film Series:**
  - Own 17:30 p.m.
  - Performance: "Chicago"
  - Samba School - Popular Music, 8 p.m.

Saturday

- **Performance:**
  - "Boston Brass, 8 p.m., Washington Hall, tickets available at LaFouente.
  - Event: "Boston Brass Master Class, 1 p.m., Washington Hall.

Sunday

- **Lecture:**
  - With: New Eyes We See: Oscar Romero, 7 p.m., Le Mans Hall, Saint Mary's

OUTSIDE THE DOME

U of Texas researchers find new cancer test

AUSTIN, Texas

University of Texas researchers have developed a more efficient method of detecting cervical cancer that could give doctors a faster interpretation of their patients' gynecological test.

Rebecca Richards-Kortum, a professor of electrical and computer engineering at the UT Department of Biomedical Engineering, and Michele Follen, a professor of gynecologic oncology at the M.D. Anderson Cancer Center in Houston, created a fiber optic probe that shines light on the cervix and displays what it detects on a computer screen.

The probe, which has been in development for 10 years, will provide instantaneous results, unlike the current method of examination, the pap smear. Pap smears, which record abnormalities in the cervix, require a nurse to use a small brush to swab the lining of the uterus to collect tissue for examination under a microscope. Although the procedure takes only a few minutes, samples must be analyzed in a lab, and results take between seven and 10 days to arrive.

The new device will also be a pain-free replacement to colposcopy, a method that involves scraping the uterine lining when abnormal cells are found during an examination.

Richards-Kortum said the device has the potential for diagnosing other forms of cancer as well.

"The technology will have broad applications to other organ sites, such as the oral cavity and lung," she said. The probe is currently undergoing a $9.9 million, three-year trial financed by the National Institutes of Health in which 1,800 women in Houston and Vancouver, British Columbia, will participate.

The American Cancer Society estimates cervical cancer kills 4,600 women each year, and that more than 12,000 women will be diagnosed with the disease in 2000.

Risk factors include certain sexual behaviors, immune system suppressing diseases such as HIV and AIDS, smoking and failure to receive regular pap smears. Cervical cancer is nearly 100 percent preventable if detected early, according to the American Cancer Society.

Two students arrested for drugs

MADISON, Wis.

Two University of Wisconsin-Madison students were arrested Monday for possession of drug paraphernalia and possession of narcotics with intent to deliver. Police later estimated the street value of the seized narcotics, mainly marijuana and Psilocybin mushrooms, at nearly $65,000. The Dane County Narcotics and Gang Task Force responded to a call and obtained a search warrant for the apartment.

Challenges and Michael Goot, both UW-Madison seniors, were arrested Monday after tenants authorized an off-campus inspection of the apartment.

A statement from the task force said they seized 7.5 pounds of "Bank Nugget" marijuana and 2,900 grams of Psilocybin Mushrooms as well as $2,915 in cash and numerous pieces of drug paraphernalia from the apartment.

Lt. Bill Housley of the Dane County Narcotics and Gang Task Force said the bust was one of the largest in the history of Dane County. "This sort of thing doesn't occur often," Housley said. "We got a pretty good quality this time. This has been one of the biggest."

Yale withdraws from FLA after rally

CAMBRIDGE, Mass.

In one of the largest anti-sweatshop demonstrations to date, about 300 to 400 Yale University students rallied Tuesday to demand that their administration withdraw from the Fair Labor Association (FLA) and join the Workers Rights Consortium (WRC). Both the FLA and the WRC are organizations designed to monitor overseas sweatshops, but activists said clothing manufacturers have too great an influence on the FLA.

"We think the FLA is a sham," said Yale senior Amanda E. Bell, one of the organizers of Tuesday's rally. "We think it's a public relations ploy by corporate manufacturers to appear to be doing something. We like to see Yale take a moral stand [by withdrawing]." Harvard Attorney Allan A. Ryan Jr., the administrator most responsible for sweatshop policy decisions, said he supported the Yale students' right to rally, but that the action would not affect Harvard's support of the FLA.

"I'm glad to see the first amendment exercised in New Haven," he said. "This clearly is a matter of concern to students, administrators, universities, everyone. If they can get students together for a rally, then more power to them."

LOCAL WEATHER

National Weather

The AccuWeather forecast for today, Wednesday, March 1.

The dome is forecast to have a high of 64 degrees with a low of 51 degrees. The wind will be from the northeast at 8 mph.

Yale is forecast to have a high of 65 degrees with a low of 48 degrees. The wind will be from the northeast at 5 mph.

AccuWeather forecast for Thursday, March 2.

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UW students arrest for drugs
Grant allows ND prof to research disease in Haiti

- Streit devoted to examining diseases affecting the poor

By MARIBEL MOREY
News Writer

For years, Father Thomas Streit has devoted time to researching diseases affecting the poor. Streit, a Notre Dame biology professor, has now taken his research to Haiti, where he is researching lymphatic filariasis.

"Filariasis, a disease that causes elephantiasis, affects many in the island nation," said Streit, who is currently leading the research in Haiti.

"Elephantiasis, a mosquito-transmitted scourge that afflicts 120 million people throughout the tropics, is considered one of a handful of diseases that can be eliminated if only countries like Haiti can find the will and resources to address the problem properly," said Streit, who is currently leading the research.

An enormous enlargement of the infected area characterizes elephantiasis. Such areas could be any part of the body, including the male sexual organ. Body deformities, malnutrition, and lack of knowledge and resources for prevention plagued Haitian's dealing with elephantiasis.

Aggressive in supporting research for the diseases of the poor, Streit wrote a proposal to the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation and received a positive response. Visiting Notre Dame for only a few days, Father Streit spoke of the $2.2 million grant he received from the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation and his commitment to lymphatic filariasis (elephantiasis) research in Haiti.

Streit also collaborated with the Center for Disease Control, a government agency devoted to the control and prevention of elephantiasis. "In collaboration with the Haitian government, the U.S. Agency for International Development and Center for Disease Control and Prevention, the World Health Organization, Notre Dame and others, plans are being made for the elimination of this disease from Haiti and the other 72 endemic countries during the next 20 years," said Streit.

"The main goal and focus is prevention. We are trying to stop it from going to the next generation," said Streit. As a researcher and Holy Cross priest, Streit has shared his faith with the Haitians. "The country is troubled in many ways, but the people are wonderful. Their strength and faith is prevalent — blessed are the poor," said Streit.

Streit said he has been living on and off in Haiti and researching elephantiasis there since 1993. This mission in Haiti, however, is temporary. Ultimately, the Haitian government will take most of the responsibilities. While Notre Dame and the Center for Disease Control are currently providing the infrastructure to train the Haitians on disease control and prevention, Notre Dame and the CDC provide the technical and teaching expertise to the natives. In the past year, the center in Haiti received trained from the Dominican Republic and Brazil. Streit hopes the center will serve as a resource not just for Haiti but also for the infected countries in the region.

Streit said there is a distinct difference between public health and acute care. Streit believes that he can save a lot more lives by researching and controlling and prevention, rather than treating people's everyday acute needs. Streit also stated that he would like to see Notre Dame students get involved in the prevention of elephantiasis in Haiti.

"The main goal and focus is prevention. We are trying to stop it (Filariasis) from going to the next generation."

Father Thomas Streit
Professor

This project is seen as yet another preventive measure for the diseases in Haiti. The proposal from the Council still has to go through the Notre Dame administration.

"If there's a community of people dedicated, you can turn an idea into action," said Stephanie Rosenthal, SIBC Director of Marketing.

Streit welcomes any student interested in helping in Haiti during any break. This experience will expose you to a different culture, government, and ecology," said Streit. "After spending time in Haiti, you come back as an activist for the poor and protecting the environment."

The only research project involved in this issue, Notre Dame interests in Haiti extend to dengue hemorrhagic fever, a virus by mosquito that can kill people.

Additional research possibilities include in Haiti intestinal parasites, bacterial infection of the stomach and malnutrition.

Streit has been fascinated by tropical diseases since high school, and he is happy to be fulfilling his dream of fighting tropical diseases since high school, and he is happy to be fulfilling his dream of fighting elephantiasis, malaria, and dengue fever.

"This mission in Haiti, Streit stressed, "is a mission of the poor and protecting the environment.""Lack of knowledge and poverty are huge contributors in Haiti," said Streit.

Streit has now taken his commitment to lymphatic diseases affecting the poor. Streit wrote in his faith with the Haitians. "The country is troubled in many ways, but the people are wonderful. Their strength and faith is prevalent — blessed are the poor," said Streit.

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be made public. "Public disclosure is an important issue," said Cimarron Glison, Sorin Hall senator. "If some know the results, the student body has the right to know."

"There is student opinion that the sen­

ate is full of sneakiness and illegitimacy, and we should end this. I am in favor of openness," said Alumni senator David Foy.

Overall, Bittner summarized the com­ments by saying that students are losing faith in student government and show­
ing the results could help give student government legitimacy again.

"I have had many students ask me (what the results were). Students want to know. There is a lack of trust and we need to restore this trust," he said.

Despite most senators wanting to open the envelope, some disagreed.

"I have been very concerned about opening the results at this time," said off-campus senator Pat Fox. "Kelly (Delphy) and Becky (Demko) are not here and we shouldn't do this behind their back. There is no final deadline for appeals and we all know there is potential for another appeal. If we open that we could possibly have to choose between what is in the envelope and what we think is right."

Some senators thought opening the envelope after April 1 — when no more appeals can be filed — would be op­

eral. Still others believed that since the results were null and void, they should never be opened.

Right before the final vote, Palumbo urged the senators to follow their duty. "We do have a duty as senators.

Murphy continued from page 1

After his freshman year, Murphy spent the summer in Belfast, Northern Ireland, working for a member of the Northern Ireland Assembly. Friends say that he had been "trying to take the bull by the horns," since he arrived at Notre Dame.

"Now, we don't preach that a lot. That's why I say [con­science] is one of the best kept secrets in the Catholic Church," said Gramick.

A disagreement based on con­

science, however, must be seri­

ously considered.

"It's a very strongly held per­

sonal conviction of truth or what is right," said Gramick. She explained that: "It requires prayer, serious consideration of official Church position, reading Reponses and consulting with holy people — both priests and lay people.

In the end though, one thing matters.

"A conscience decision is between you and God," said Gramick.

After much prayer and reflec­

tion, Gramick reached a deci­

sion.

"I still believed that God was calling me to minister to les­

bians and gays," she said.

Gramick disagreed not only with the decision to limit her church, but also with the Vatican's process.

"That's hardly speed in the procedure," Gramick said of the 17-year ordeal.

She also cited the principle that "the deeper possible mat­
ters should be handled on the local level, rather than by high­

er authorities. Those on the local level most intimately know the facts in the near future."

"We will feel much more involved in our Church," said Gramick noting the benefits of decentralization.

By disregarding the local reports, the Vatican did not adhere to this principle, Gramick said.

Gramick has a masters in mat­h from Notre Dame and a doctorate in teaching from the University of Pennsylvania. The lecture is sponsored by the Progressive Students Alliance, the University Counseling Center, Call to Action, GALA and OUTreachND.

The Student Activities Office is looking for nominees for the 14th Annual Student Leadership Awards!

If you wish to nominate a student please submit the following information to the Student Activities Office, 315 LaFortune Student Center, by March 8, 2000:

The name of person doing the nominating & their relationship to the nominee.

The name and year in school of the nominee.

All major activities, number of years involved, and leadership positions held while at Notre Dame, and the year of participation.

Exposure on the leadership positions held and the student's quality of involvement. Be explicit in explaining.
Nigeria president urges unity

AIBA Nigeria

Amb reports of new clashes that killed 200 people, Nigeria's president on Wednesday denied religious violence that has wracked his country, mourning that Nigerians have lost their "sense of moral outrage." A police official in the southeastern town of Aba said at least 200 people were killed Monday in revenge attacks following rivaling and clashes between Christians and Muslims in the northern city of Kaduna that killed more than 300. The latest bloodshed occurred when residents of Aba, nearly all of them Christians of the Ibo ethnic group, attacked Muslim Hausas after the bodies of those killed in Kaduna were returned home, the official said, speaking on condition of anonymity. His account could not be independently confirmed.

President Jorge Batlle sworn in

MONTEVIDEO

Jorge Batlle was sworn in as president of Uruguay, promising cost-cutting and other austerity measures to fight the economic slump bedeviling this small South American country.

Batlle, the son of a former president, took the oath of office at a ceremony attended by a half-dozen South American leaders, as supporters of his Colorado Party held flag-waving celebrations in the streets.

"The year ahead is going to be a difficult one...there are challenges we will meet with success," Batlle said in his inaugural address. He said he would maintain strict monetary and fiscal policies while whittling away at a budget deficit, cutting bureaucracy and holding inflation to single digits. He also repeated pledges to cut $300 million in public spending.

"Above all, government must reduce expenses," Batlle stressed.

The economy is trying to rebound from a slump that saw the unemployment rate top 10 percent. Batlle also wants to stimulate foreign investment and boost Uruguayan exports.

Batlle takes office in troubled times for this country on South America's Atlantic seaboard. Sandwiched between giant Argentina and Brazil, this country was whipsawed in the late 1990s by economic crises it said in its neighbors.

Battle, the son of a former president, won the presidency on his fifth attempt. He succeeded Julio Sanguinetti, a fellow veteran of the long-governing Colorado Party, for a five-year term.

Attending the ceremony were Presidents Hugo Banzer of Bolivia, Fernando Henrique Cardoso of Brazil, Fernando De la Rua of Argentina, Luis Gonzalez Macchi of Paraguay, Hugo Chavez of Venezuela and president-elect Ricardo Lagos of Chile.

Pennsylvania gunman kills 2, surrenders

WILKINSBURG

A gunman who reportedly flew into a rage over a broken door went on a rampage Wednesday, shooting a maintenance worker at his apartment and customers at two fast-food restaurants before surrendering to police during a hostage standoff.

Two people were killed and three critically wounded.

Ronald Taylor, 39, of Wilkinsburg, was arrested in an office building after he kept police at bay for about two hours, holding four or five people in wheelchairs hostage at a senior hospice center. During the standoff, more than three-dozen children from a third-floor day-care center in the building were evacuated, along with other workers.

Taylor, who was not immediately charged, was to be arraigned Wednesday night.

Police refused to comment on a motive, but a worker at Taylor's apartment building said the suspected gunman was angry that workers had not repaired his broken apartment door fast enough.

He said, "You're all white trash, racist pigs," maintenance worker John DeWitt told The Associated Press.

DeWitt said he left work on another apartment but later saw one of his colleagues carrying another maintenance worker, who had been shot. DeWitt said he saw Taylor, who is black, walking toward the restaurant.

The shooting spree began about 11:15 a.m. in this working-class suburb about nine miles east of downtown Pittsburgh.

Police, responding to a call at the man's home, followed him to the restaurant and chased him into the office building.

Four people were shot at the Burger King and McDonald's restaurants in the borough of about 21,000 people.

Wilkinsburg police Chief Gerald Brewer said two people were dead and three were in critical condition in Pittsburgh area hospitals. At least two of the victims were shot in the head, said doctors at University of Pittsburgh Medical Center-Presbyterian.
ND alumni, Nixon’s doctor dies

By Nicole Haddad

Dr. John Lungren, former president of the Notre Dame Alumni Association and long-time personal physician for President Richard Nixon died Monday of heart failure at Long Beach Memorial Hospital Medical Center in California. He was 83.

A 1938 graduate of Notre Dame with a bachelor’s degree in chemistry, Lungren was a member of the Alumni Association’s board of directors from 1972-73, at which time he also served on the University’s Board of Trustees.

Lungren was a Notre Dame benefactor and all seven of his children attended either the University or Saint Mary’s. He received the Award of the Year from the Notre Dame Club of Los Angeles in 1971.

Lungren earned his medical degree from the University of Pennsylvania in 1942 and, after taking further training at Los Angeles County Hospital, served in the Army during World War II. He was an infantry battalion surgeon during the Normandy invasion in 1944 and was awarded four battle stars and a Purple Heart.

Lungren joined Long Beach Memorial Medical Center in 1946 and stayed there until his retirement in 1987. He specialized in internal medicine and cardiology and served as the center’s chief of staff from 1966-71.

He was President Nixon’s personal physician from 1952-69 and is credited with helping save his life in 1974. Soon after resigning the presidency, Nixon experienced pain in his left leg caused by phlebitis he had developed years earlier. As the condition worsened, Lungren repeatedly advised Nixon to enter a hospital for treatment.

After initially resisting, Nixon finally relented and days later a piece of a blood clot that formed in the left leg broke off and traveled through the bloodstream to damage his right leg. Dr. Elson Howk performed emergency surgery on the president to save his life.

Lungren is survived by his wife, Lorain; three sons, John, Daniel, a former U.S. congressman and attorney general of California, and Brian, four daughters, Christine, Loretta, Patricia and Elizabeth; and 16 grandchildren.

A rosary for Lungren will be prayed at 7 p.m. today at Saint Barnabas Catholic Church in Long Beach, and a funeral Mass will be celebrated there at 10 a.m. Friday.

Women discuss hardships

Students were given the opportunity Wednesday afternoon to listen as two women described their personal challenges in raising children and earning a living in the South Bend community.

Guest speakers Yvonne Hudson and Dawn Chapla both focused on the importance of making the right decisions as young women. Describing her life before coming to the Center for the Homeless in South Bend, Hudson stated she was a single mother of five girls and addicted to drugs.

"With no help and no job, I found myself wandering aimlessly," she said. "After undergoing a house fire and losing everything — including her children to the government, Hudson came out of her denial and stepped into the Center for the Homeless. She attributes the Center for helping her find out many things about herself. "Life had brought me so many hardships. My mom was gay, and there were many other things. I faced so much prejudice."

Hudson continued. "My oldest daughter, 15, was pregnant and ran away."

After leaving the Center, however, Hudson was informed of her new position working at WNDU radio station. But even with this new job, Hudson still found that she still encountered struggles everyday. "I had to learn to keep away from certain people, places and things — it’s like bowling, just knock down the pins."

Hudson still interacts with the Center. Through speeches and activities, Hudson says that she will never forget where she came from.

Dawn Chapla shared her experiences about her younger daughter Brandy who learned the difficulty of raising children as a single mother.

"Brandy was very bright, but had a poor self-image," Chapla said. "This affected her whole life and the choices she made."

Chapla also shared her experiences working at United Way, where she interacts with unions of the community and representatives from the welfare reform panel.

"Seeing more women working in the community, I am also seeing more domestic violence," Chapla said. "There are issues in the home of control, jealousy — and this leads the children to be more at risk.

In speaking of welfare programs, Chapla said the reform has helped many people get back to work "but they are still poor." She said she believes the jobs available today simply do not offer livable wages with the benefits.

Chapla said the most important thing for people to look at are the issues that help the community.

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Gore, Bradley abandon hard-line debate tactics

Associated Press

LOS ANGELES

Bill Bradley and Al Gore agreed on more than they disputed Wednesday night, abandoning hard-line tactics in a mild debate often aimed at the Republicans — almost as though the Democratic contest already was settled.

Bradley insisted that it was not, that he still expects to take off against Gore in the Super Tuesday primaries in which 15 states select Democratic delegates next week.

Gore said he took nothing for granted. "I do think that the elections this coming Tuesday will likely be decisive for the nomination," he said in a CNN post-debate interview. He leads the public opinion polls in all the upcoming states, and the debate was Bradley's finale in California, most critical of the Tuesday primary states.

"Dearly, I have to win several," Bradley told CNN. He said he will campaign now in New York and New England.

His tone in his 10th debate with Gore recalled that of their first, in New Hampshire more than three months ago, when he shunned confrontation, before the lines hardened and the face-to-face sessions turned angry.

"People tell me that I was too tough in the last debate," Bradley said after this one. "It's all in the eye of the beholder."

He said he had been determined to correct Gore misrepresentations. But he added: "Tonight's debate set a tone for the kind of presidency I'd like to have."

He did contend that the administration's failure to take "action about six months ago" and release oil reserves had led to current soaring prices at the gas pump.

Gore replied that the use of the strategic petroleum reserve to increase supplies and ease prices is not off the table. But first, he said, there should be quiet diplomatic pressure to get more OPEC oil flowing.

Nothing to compare with earlier debates, in which the former New Jersey senator had accused Gore of lying about his own record, and about Bradley's proposals, notably on health care. That issue, a point of bitter dispute before, came up only briefly in this debate.

There was one flareup when Bradley accused Gore, as he had before, of voting in favor of preserving a tax exemption for then-segregated Bob Jones University in South Carolina. Gov. George Bush has been under constant criticism for speaking there last month. Gore said the vote involved racial quotas, and he opposes them.

Mike Shepherd, a sophomore from Dillon Hall, celebrates after making a half-court shot at Wednesday night's basketball game. He won a semester's worth of books for the shot.

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**Calendar of Events**

- **Freshmen Retreat #28**
  Friday-Saturday, March 3-4, St. Joe Hall
- **RCIA Retreat**
  Saturday, March 4, Moreau Seminary
- **Confirmation Afternoon of Recollection**
  Sunday, March 5, 2:00 p.m.-6:00 p.m., McKenna Hall, CCE
- **Rejoice! Mass and Black History Month Reflection**
  Saturday, March 4, 4:00 p.m., St. Joe Chapel
  President: Rev. Bill Wach, C.S.C.
- **Freshmen Retreat #29 (April 7-8) Sign-Up**
  Monday-March 6 through March 9, 103 Hesburgh Library
  Targeted Dorms: Carroll, Clearyough, Dillon, Farley, Fisher, Pangborn, Morrissey, Strebford, Welsh Family
- **Ash Wednesday Liturgies**
  Wednesday, March 8, 11:30 a.m. and 5:15 p.m., Basilica of the Sacred Heart
- **Feast of St. Patrick's Mass**
  Friday, March 17, 9:00 a.m., Basilica of the Sacred Heart
- **Feast of St. Joseph Mass**
  Monday, March 20, 5:15 p.m., Basilica of the Sacred Heart
- **Confirmation - Session #10**
  The Church in the Third Millennium: The Church in History - The American Catholic Experience - Eumenism - Vatican II
  Tuesday, March 21, 7:00-8:30 p.m., Sacred Heart Chapel
- **Marriage Preparation Retreat**
  Friday-Saturday, March 24-25, 7:00 p.m.-10:00 p.m., Fatima Retreat Center

**Sixth Sunday of Ordinary Time**

**Weekend Presiders at Sacred Heart Basilica**

- **Saturday, March 4 Mass**
  9:00 p.m.
  Rev. Edward A. Malloy, C.S.C.
  Rev. Mark L. Poorman, C.S.C. (homilist)
- **Sunday, February 6 Mass**
  10:00 a.m.
  Most Rev. Joseph R. Crowley
  11:45 a.m.
  Most Rev. Daniel R. Jenky, C.S.C.

**What Really Matters?**

There are few events in our lives that cause us as much pause as being confronted by our own mortality. We are rarely forced to consider what our lives, as they are, mean; nor are we often compelled to consider how much we actually mean to each other. We, on this campus, recently received the kind of news that ought to cause us pause, and that ought to compel us to consider what's important, what really matters to us. One of our number, Conor Murphy, a sophomore from Zahm Hall who has been studying on the Washington semester, was diagnosed with leukemia this past Friday. On Saturday he was flown from Washington to his home in Cleveland where he has since entered the hospital for more tests and treatment.

There is a degree, obviously, to which this is about Conor, about our concern for him and an unabashed appeal to all of you for prayers for him. But my reflections here are as much about us, and about the introspection and self-reflection that has been prompted by the news of Conor's impending battle; an introspection that is not only personal, but communal. I am struck by how Conor's news has redirected and reoriented the conversations and questions of so many. I am surprised by the depth of the conversation that is taking place in the wake of the news; and I am deeply moved by the intensity of our prayer in these days.

On the night he learned of the leukemia, I spoke with Conor on the phone and he asked me to go to the grotto and to light a candle for him. His words were reminiscent of Tom Dooley's in his letter to Fr. Hesburgh of so many years ago. Conor said that while he knows that his prayers are heard from his hospital bed, it would mean so much more to be at the grotto. But what struck me most about our conversation was Conor's suggestion, even as he was grappling with his own problems, that he was concerned about how he would tell his closest friends. Finally, we decided that it would be best to bring as many of them together as we could and inform them all at once via speaker phone. While it was a very painful thing to be there, it was at the same time, a rare privilege. After Conor had shared the news of his leukemia each of the guys went around and spoke their words of encouragement and support. Before we hung up we gathered in a circle, joined hands and offered a prayer of support and healing for Conor.

It was an important moment in the lives of each of the men present and, I trust, in Conor's life as well. For his friends, and for all of us who know and love Conor, the events of these past few days have caused us to reevaluate our priorities. It has become, perhaps, painfully clear, that all that really matters and the only things that will ever give us any consolation or joy are our relationships. And that while we may legitimately pursue other things, like wealth and fame and success, none of them will mean anything unless we have intimates in our lives with whom to share them. Conor's circumstances have reminded us of that fact, and have caused us to speak the truth of our lives with more clarity and conviction. I am impressed by how much more often I have heard the word "love" used in speaking of their mutual affections, especially for Conor, in the wake of his illness. We are very proud of our brotherhood in Zahm Hall, as you undoubtedly all too well know; and more generally, we as a community speak of our membership in the Notre Dame Family. That "brotherhood" and that "family" have taken on new meaning for many in these days. It may be Conor's gift to us that we are more attentive to one another, that we know more than ever our need for one another, and finally, that we love one another even if we rarely speak the words.

It's clear that if we've learned anything it's that our relationships are all that really matter. And perhaps we know, now more than ever, our need for the ultimate relationship, of that with our God. Conor knows it; his family and friends know it; it's time that we all knew it. We need God. We need to attend to our respective relationships with Jesus Christ if we are to make any sense of these days, if we are to see in it the paschal mystery being played out before our very eyes.

I visited Conor in Cleveland on Monday and I am quite certain that he would not want us feeling sorry for him. He is remarkably strong and determined and hugely encouraged by the outpouring of love and support from the Notre Dame community. What he would appreciate, I'm sure, is if we would continue to storm the heavens with our prayers, and not only for him and his family, but for each other. That which we are inclined to do anyway in these days, to pray, is our gift to him; that we have been drawn to it with such passion in light of Conor's predicament is his gift to us. In the end, please God, may it prove the means by which each and all of us deepen in relationship with our God, and with one another.

Jim Lies, C.S.C.
Albright rules out Czech post

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Secretary of State Madeleine Albright said Wednesday she would not seek the presidency of her native Czech Republic.

Some Czechs have been speaking of her as a possible successor to President Vaclav Havel, who must retire in 2002.

But Albright, at a House Appropriations subcommittee hearing, said: "Let me make clear. I am not a candidate and will not be a candidate for the Czech presidency."

Albright, 62, was born in what is now the Czechoslovakia. She plans to be in the Czech Republic for three days beginning Sunday. Her visit coincides with the commemoration of the 150th anniversary of the birth of national hero Tomas Masaryk, who served as the first president of the Czechoslovak Republic after the collapse of Austria-Hungary in 1918.

Albright's term as secretary of state is due to expire when President Clinton leaves office next January.

Panel to subpoena ex-CIA official

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Senate Intelligence Committee voted Wednesday to subpoena former CIA general counsel Michael O'Neil after he refused to voluntarily appear before the panel in its inquiry into former CIA Director John Deutch's home computer security breaches.

The unanimous vote requires O'Neil to appear before the committee next Wednesday.

"I'm sure he'll assert the Fifth Amendment, but we want him to do it in front of the committee," Senate Intelligence Committee Chairman Richard Shelby, R-Ala., said in an interview. "I'm sure he'll assert the Fifth Amendment, but we want him to do it in front of the committee.

O'Neil's attorney, Roger Spander, had notified the panel that he advised O'Neil not to appear since the Justice Department is taking a new look at the Deutch computer case.

A key issue in the case is why it took so long for the CIA to react to a 1997 internal report suggesting that information that Deutch had stored in home computers also used to access the Internet. The report also suggested that Deutch had mishandled classified material.

The CIA agency did not submit a report to the Justice Department until 1996 and did not notify congressional oversight panels until June 1998.

The current director, George Tenet, has apologized for the delay but said it wasn't intentional.

According to the CIA inspector general's report, Mr. O'Neil and Nora Slatkin, the CIA's former executive director and now an official with Citigroup, had failed to send information that Deutch had stored highly classified material on home computers also used to access the Internet.

"On behalf of Mr. O'Neil, I can represent to the committee that if compelled to appear, Mr. O'Neil would decline to testify about all matters under investigation by invoking his constitutional privilege," Spander said in a letter to the panel.

O'Neil, who left the agency in October 1997, at first declined to turn over computer storage cards from Deutch's computers and delayed notifying the Justice Department of the matter, according to an unclassified version of an internal CIA inspector general's report completed by the committee last week.

That report found that Deutch, CIA director from May 1995 to December 1996, processed thousands of highly classified documents on unprotected computers and not a single computer did any security checks that count for leadership. Together you're ready to start college or have already begun, it's time to make your decision, now.

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secretary of state

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Her spokeswoman, James Rubin, had said Sunday that she was "certainly flattered," but suggested she seeks the presidency but that she has dismissed it without serious consideration.

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Diallo verdict causes boycott

Associated Press

ALBANY, N.Y. — Several minority lawmakers unhappy with the Amadou Diallo verdict said they will boycott Monday's session of the state Legislature to protest the lack of movement on bills to combat police brutality.

Organizers called on black and Hispanic lawmakers to instead gather in front of the Bronx building where the West African immigrant was killed by four white New York City police officers in February 1999.

The officers were all acquitted last week.

Among the bills which have not passed the Legislature in recent years are those to

Some say the New York City police force is insufficiently responsive to the needs of our communities.

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Larry Seabrook

New York state senator

in the city and to limit the number of rounds police can have in their guns.

"There are a lot of things that we felt should have come out of the Legislature and perhaps saved this individual's life," said state Sen. Larry Seabrook. Seabrook said he expected most of the 30 members of the state Legislature's Black and Puerto Rican Caucus to be present as well as sympathetic white state legislators. He said supporters are also urging police in the Bronx to have their children skip school and attend the demonstration.

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But also Wednesday, the White House called Diallo's shooting death a tragedy for his family, but stopped short of commenting on the acquittals.

"Given the fact that the Department of Justice is currently reviewing it, there is not a whole lot more that the president feels appropriate to say," White House spokesman Larry Speakes told reporters.

Amnesty International also urged Police Commissioner Howard Safir on Wednesday to thoroughly investigate the fatal shooting.

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The thing we do "because it is there"

Over winter break my mountaineering partner, Mike, and I summited El Pico de Orizaba, an 18,000-foot dormant volcano in Mexico. Summit day itself was long. We got out to what is called an "alpine start," rising at 3 a.m. and departing from the base camp at 14,000 feet at 4:15 a.m. in order to minimize the time we would have to spend on the soft- and therefore more dangerous afternoon snow and ice. At about 12,500, what had started out as mild nausea became a bent-over stop. We then continued on. Over the next 1,000 feet of altitude gain, I did manage to keep down two big newtons and a couple sips of water, but decided that the accompanying discomfort was not worth it and took in more. I went on a high altitude fast. I realized that I should have acclimatized one more day at base camp, but we were underway now. I was experiencing none of the other indicators of altitude sickness — loss of coordination, headache, etc. In fact, once the nausea passed, I felt strong.

We summited at 9 a.m. It was supposed to be the dry season, but we experienced frost on the descent that reduced visibility to 50 feet. Due to the bad weather, in the time that we were on the mountain only one other person summited among the 17 total attempts — a professional guide from the Colorado Mountain School. When we reached base camp, I could drink and, to a certain extent, eat again. I slept 13 hours that night.

Why do such a thing? Why take up an activity that is so hard for me to imagine spending on the soft— and a couple snow and ice? For those of you who have never been to the mountain — no matter how much Gore-tex they might wear, George Mallory, whose body was recently discovered on Everest, gave the most clear and succinct answer to why: "Because it is there." Above all, mountaineers climb because there is an allure, a beckoning. They might make a prudential judgment to turn around on a particular attempt, but they can no longer not climb. The closest analogue I have is my marriage. It is hard for me to imagine life as lived indeed life before knowing Susan, and it is painful even to try to imagine life without her.

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Mostly what I have to say is that I don’t understand a lot of things about racism. I simply want to have a better understanding. I think that there is probably a silent but sizable number of people who don’t really understand the less obvious forms that racism can take.

Like every other freshman on campus, I went through a diversity workshop during the first month of school. Mine was early in the morning, so I can’t say I remember it all that well. But I do remember being told that I could be racist or do something racist and not even know it.

This thought has made me paranoid. I am sometimes so worried about doing something that could be racist that I simply avoid the situation altogether. Once I know someone, I lose the paranoia, because the first impression of appearance is gone. Not to forget the some people I forget about their race and I don’t worry so much about things related to it. But for people I only meet once or twice I have to interact with, I often have nothing to go on but appearance, and my paranoia can cause me problems.

Case in point: Sometimes I work down in Grab’n Go. At times, this means that I swipe people’s ID cards. Students are allowed to get about as much food as other people when they eat from Grab’n Go. When students eat, we have to swipe their card through the special athletic machine before handing them the food. The special machine gives the Grab’n Go an extra dollar for the food we serve.

Last semester, I was doing the card-swiping when a really big African-American guy came to the desk. This guy was really huge, he had a ton of food in his bag and I was pretty sure that he was an athlete. But I also specifically remember thinking at the time that all African-American guys are athletes at the diversity workshop.

I didn’t want to do anything that could seem like I was operating under a stereotype, so I asked the guy if he had an ID card. He couldn’t find his card in the special machine. I let him by. I knew he was an athlete because he was regular inswiping all athletes’ “good luck” when they swipe their card, and the machine wished him good luck.

Because I was so worried about seeming racist, I act weird sometimes. Or at least I try not to. But I think I am sometimes am. I think many people, like myself, are well-intentioned but not always know what constitutes a racist act. Growing up, it was obvious. But as I have grown up, I have seen that some things are hurtful but that I don’t automatically see or understand as racist.

I think the problem is even thoughtlessness in most cases. There was a letter to the editor on Friday, February 18, that described a situation caused by ignorance. The writer detailed a situation that happened to a Hispanic friend of theirs. The writer told us that this was a case of an ignorant racist act, and it is one that is true. However, it took me about a week of thinking to finally come to an understanding of why this would be a racist thing to do. It seemed to me like I was being stupid, thoughtlessly trying to help a student. I guess that I, too, am ignorant of the etiquette of race relations.

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Marlayna Soeneker
Here We Go Again

Letters to the Editor

Taking time out of play to pray

I know that many people have sung the praises of our university’s diversity efforts in most recent weeks. Now, I have to beat a dead horse as often happens with these letters to the editor, but I was recently pleased to see that my colleague Howard comes to agree that this is not just a political game that we play when it really counts. As many of you who read the inside of the Observer know, Howard Murphy, a sophomore in my dorm, was recently diagnosed with leukemia.

The members of our dorm decided to hold a 24-hour vigil for Connor at the grotto, with two people being present for each of the 30 minute shifts throughout the day and night. We had a book that we encouraged everyone to write their thoughts in for Connor to read in his time of need.

Much to my surprise, who was one of the first people to leave a note in that book? Coach Matt Doherty. How he heard about the vigil I don’t know. But I know that he didn’t have to beat a dead horse out of his busy day to stop by a vigil and leave a note for a student that he didn’t know, shows me that he truly is a representative and a man that this University can be proud to have as one of its own.

To all the rest of you who attended the vigil and who didn’t attend, who you know or not, please say a prayer for him tonight. It will only take two minutes of your time, but it could make all the difference in the world.

Patrick Theobald
Juniors, Zenith Hall
March 1, 2000

What it means to be W.I.L.D.

We women of Walsh are unhappy. We are unhappy because of the dramatic changes that have been slowly taking over our dorm this past year. We are tiring of being referred to as adults yet treated like children. Decisions have been made that directly affect us without our consent or being asked. Our attempts to voice our complaints to a hall staffing have unfortunately turned to a dead ear.

The Wild Irish is our dorm mascot for a number of years. We want it more than to be a fun, even "silly" representation of Walsh and our residents. We want it to represent our attempts to turn our college to walk in faith and love.

After class, the teacher asked the Hispanic friend if English was his major. He was not majoring in English, but he was studying biology.

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Legacy and spirit of the Bouts

As a former president of the ND Boxing Club, I would like to applaud the Bengal Bouts boxers. Observer Sports writers and editors and ND student body for putting together another fantastic event this year.

Judging by the exciting fight coverage from the first two rounds, the participants and fans are truly making this tournament memorable. As I look forward to attending the fights this Friday for the first time since graduation in ’97, I can only hope that the boxers will continue to be praised in the Observer’s pre-Bouts coverage has run its course.

There seems to be much concern for the “true meaning” of the Bengal Bouts, and what elements and procedures may constitute to this tradition a hallmark of the ND experience. It is to those who are in support of the Bengal Bouts to remember that the coaches and trainers of the Boxing Club are not only the heart of the program, they are “Nappy” Napolitano’s legacy. Allow me to reiterate this in support of the盒 club currently as the boxers who have ever met Nappy, let alone trained under him, are the coaches. It has been through their tireless efforts to maintain Nappy’s vision for the Bengal Bouts that provides the student officers freedom to put on an event that seems to improve greatly with each year.

I have known the Bengal Bouts program as a participant, president and now alumnus, and can not stress enough that I have never encountered a higher caliber of individuals than those who attend, participate in and organize the Notre Dame Bengal Bouts. There are 100-plus boxers in this year’s tournament. There will be as many champions this year. That is the spirit of the Bouts.

A recent article aluded to the middle weight divisions and he many boxers may be given a hollow one for lack of competition. To this absurdly I simply challenge all of you who agree. Go and watch the fights, and if you are still not convinced that this year’s boxers deserves as much respect as any, I again ask your authority to make decisions we don’t agree with? It’s not about the acronym. It’s not about the dance. It’s about the general sense of fitness in our efforts to maintain a positive dorm spirit and enjoy our remaining time in Walsh.

Anonymous Wild Women
Walsh Hall
March 1, 2000
MOVIE REVIEW

Ending of ‘Games’ ruins all the fun

By JASON HAMMONTREE
Scene Movie Critic

“Reindeer Games” is both a good and a bad film. The film has a few good performances, but the ending is disappointing.

Rudy then decides to impersonate Nick for the obvious reason of getting close to Ashley and then the new couple off to enjoy the holidays. Only someone wanting to see Rudy more than Ashley drinks too much and in the end, Ashley and Nick need Nick’s help to rob a casino on Christmas Eve where Nick once worked. Of course, Nick isn’t really Nick, and so the fun and chaos begin.

To reveal any more of the plot would ruin it, but the rest of the picture is full of twists, characters changing loyalties and lots of surprises to keep the audience guessing. Ultimately, the script gets carried away with making everything unpredictable that, inevitably, the ending is a bit unbelievable. A rather engaging film is spoilt by a disappointing finale.

And for that, the blame must fall to Ben Affleck, a convicted car thief with only three days left in his sentence. His cellmate, Nick (James Frain, “Hillary and Jackie”), gets out at the same time, but unlike Rudy, he has a beautiful young woman, Ashley (Laura Dern, “Therese and Lula”), who he’s been writing letters to for two years. Rudy, on the other hand, has no idea what Nick looks like.

A jail riot just two days before Rudy’s release occurs and, wouldn’t you know it, Nick is killed.

Ben Affleck and Charlize Theron are on the run from a band of criminals in the action thriller “Reindeer Games.”

VIDEO PICK OF THE WEEK

Strange people do strange things in ‘Wild At Heart’

By V. VAN BUREN GILES
Scene Movie Critic

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The film is visually stunning and well acted by all, including David Lynch. Though there are some scenes of extreme sex and violence, these do not take away from the performances or from the story. At the 1990 Cannes Film Festival, “Wild At Heart” won the Golden Palm (the festival’s version of the Oscar) and was nominated for Best Picture. It is a story of love, friendship and brotherhood that will appeal to anyone who has seen a film like this.

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**MOVIE REVIEW**

Quirky ‘Wonder Boys’ survives on its acting

By JILLIAN DEPAUL
Staff Movie Critic.


Coincidentally, or not so coincidentally, as the case may be, Hanson’s current project is about a professor and writer named Grady Tripp (Michael Douglas). Tripp is struggling to finish his long-awaited second book, a follow up to his best selling first effort. Perhaps Hanson wanted to broaden his horizons by directing a comedy or more likely, he was attracted to this very personal story. Either way, “Wonder Boys” is a conscious departure for the director, and a very interesting case of art imitating life.

“Wonder Boys” is a quirky movie that tells the story of one wild weekend when everything in Grady Tripp’s life, and the lives of several other people, comes crashing down. For starters, his wife leaves him. His mistress, Frances McDormand, who is also the chancellor of the liberal arts college where he teaches, tells him she is pregnant. Not to mention that his editor (Robert Downey Jr.), who’s in town for a woman’s liberties book tour, is trying to get a look at Grady’s book, the ending of which, as Grady puts it, “keeps getting further away.”

It would not be accurate to say that Grady has writer’s block. In fact, he suffers from a case quite the opposite. His book is 2,611 pages long and is still going strong. To add to this insanity, Grady gets mixed up in the lives of two of his students. One of these students is the mysterious James Leer (Tobey Maguire), who may be homeless and suicidal or a pathological liar, but is definitely a talented writer. The other student is Hannah Green (Katie Holmes), who rents a room from Grady and has a crush on him.

Other storylines include a jacket that was worn by Marilyn Monroe and a crazy James Brown look-alike, whose name may or may not be Vernon. As this seemingly directionless film barrels on, it acquires new characters and new storylines almost compulsionly. As a result, pretty much everything in this movie is underdeveloped. Although this is a detriment to the film because its characters and dialogue are so original. It also manages to keep its audience interested through some surprisingly funny moments and insightful narration by Michael Douglas along the way.

It would be easy to cast this movile off as tangential and spineless, but that would be missing the point. The spine of the movie is in the dialogue and the writing. Here is where a novel comes to life. Grady finds a way to keep its audience interested through some priceless funny moments and a strange and creatively comic way of speaking. With some heart and emotion.

Despite the fact that the characters never reach their fullest potential, “Wonder Boys” is well acted. It is always refreshing when Michael Douglas (“Wall Street,” “A Perfect Murder”) takes a break from playing sexual deviants and murder­ous business tycoons to portray a charac­ter with some heart and emotion.

His co-star, Tobey Maguire, has definit­ely got that troubled, self-spoken teenage thing down pat. There is something intriguing about his deliberate speech and pensive cadence, as seen in films like “The Cider House Rules” and “The Ice Storm.”

One of the most enjoyable things about “Wonder Boys” is its literary frame of mind. It is a film about a writer who sees the world as a piece of fiction. Grady finds truth and meaning in literature but has trouble translating that truth into reality, which is why his personal life is in shambles. The structure of this film purposely reflects the dilemma of his overdue book. The longer it gets, the further it gets away from the truth, which is actually quite simple.

“Wonder Boys” is an offbeat film, original and creatively comic. What a long, strange “Tripp” it’s been.

**BOX OFFICE**

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**MOVIE QUOTE OF THE WEEK**

“If there isn’t a movie about it, it’s not worth knowing, is it?”

Alan Rickman as Metatron in “Dogma”


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South Dining Hall. The Grotto. 1st floor of LaFortune.

0500PM-0730PM. 0800PM. 0400PM.


LaFortune Hours will be extended to 0400AM during the weeks before and after Spring Break.

Student Leadership Award applications are available in the Student Activities Office.

MISCELLANEOUS/CAMPUS-WIDE

French Film Fest, 03/05. Sunday.

Annenberg Auditorium. (Suite)

0200PM.

Film of the new wave movement with guest French film specialist Michel Merle.

Happy belated National Pig Day (March 1) Celebrate with finger puppets...put on a play for your friends.
Chris Carrawell has lived with Duke's high expectations for years so he wasn't going to let teammate Shane Battier or the fourth-ranked Blue Devils settle for just a career night.

Despite Battier's career-high seven 3-pointers and Duke's 19th career night, he asked, "I told him he should have had 12. He hasn't been its dominating self.

"We've had to live with the expectations for a long time now," said Carrawell, who scored 19 points. "For us to accomplish all we want, we have to handle them. This was part of it. This gets us ready for the weekend."

That's when North Carolina comes to Cameron Indoor Stadium, where Duke hasn't been its dominating self.

"He's not the Duke team that we were a few weeks ago," coach Mike Krzyzewski said. "But we're still fighting like crazy. If we can keep getting better while Dunleavy's gone, maybe when he comes back we'll be a better basketball team."

If Battier, a junior, and Carrawell, a senior, play like they did at Littlejohn Coliseum, Krzyzewski might not worry so much.

Battier seven 3-pointers broke his career best by one and Carrawell clamped down on ACC leading scorer Will Solomon as the Blue Devils recovered from Saturday's one-point home loss to No. 18 St. John's.

Battier was almost perfect from the field. The Blue Devils have been so dominant the past four seasons — with four consecutive ACC titles — that any slip has been wrong. It happened Feb. 9, when Maryland ended their 31-game ACC winning streak.

And Duke moved ahead 16-9. He had two more during a 9-4 run that put the Blue Devils up 27-17. His last, off a crisp inbound pass from Carrawell, closed an 11-0 spurt that sent Duke to a 38-22 lead.

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Men's Soccer

Jarvis commits to Irish for fall season

Special to The Observer

Brian Jarvis, a forward/midfielder from Pomona, Calif., has become the seventh high school senior to sign a national letter of intent to play soccer at Notre Dame in the fall of 2000.

The 6-foot-1, 195-pound senior was a two-year starter at Damien High where he twice earned all-Sierra League honors.

Last season, Damien advanced to the finals of the CIF Division I playoffs after winning the Sierra League championship and winning both the El Rancho and Montclair tournament titles.

In addition, Jarvis played for the Corona Eagles since May of 1997. In 1999, he led the Eagles to the tournament championship at the Las Vegas Invitational and helped his squad advance to the quarterfinals of the National Cup in California.

In 1998, his team advanced to the quarterfinals of the Dallas Cup and won the tournament crown.

"Brian's athleticism is his strongest asset," Notre Dame assistant coach Chris Apple says. "He adds great speed, strength and power to our incoming freshman class. His versatility allows him to play in several different positions on the field. Brian instinctively finds the back of the net. His ability to be a target and a goal scorer will give us added balance on offense. Jarvis will join midfielder Filipps, Chillemi; midfielder/defender Justin Deter; defender Greg Martin; forward/midfielder Devin Preseed; midfielder Kevin Richards and midfielder Cloud Riley who signed national letters of intent in February.

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Men's NCAA Basketball

Harris carries Volunteers to win

Associated Press

Tony Harris scored 18 of his 23 points in the second half to lead No. 11 Tennessee to a 73-66 victory over Arkansas on Wednesday night.

The win gave Tennessee a school-record 21 victories, breaking a mark set in 1976-77, and moved the Volunteers two games behind Kentucky for second place in the Southeastern Conference's East Division.

The Volunteers (23-11, 14-6) struggled most of the game early on against the Razorbacks (14-14, 6-9) and SEC freshman scoring leader Jon Johnson, who finished with 21 points.

Tennessee had to score the last eight points of the half, keyed by two 3-pointers by Sam Higgins, to take a 28-27 half-time lead.

C.J. Black, Tennessee's career block shot leader, denied Blake Eddins in one of his four blocks for the game and followed with two free throws to put the Vols ahead 51-49.

Johnson tied the game at 55-55 with two free throws on a team technical called after a Tennessee fan hurled an orange onto the court.

But Vincent Yarbrough, hit a 3-pointer to put Tennessee ahead 58-55 with 2:22 to play.

The Vols never trailed again as Harris scored eight of Tennessee's final 15 points and bolted their largest lead of the season over the final three minutes.

No. 6 Ohio State, 79

Penn State 73

Michael Redd had 22 points and George Reese added 16, including eight over the final three minutes, as No. 6 Ohio State beat Penn State to move into first place in the Big Ten.

The Buckeyes (12-1, 12-1) are alone at the top — at least for a day. Michigan State can join them by beating Minnesota on Thursday. Ohio State can assure itself of a share of the conference championship for the first time in eight years by beating Minnesota on Saturday.

Redd came into the game averaging 26.4 points against the Lions, and he had his usual big night. But Reese had the clutch points when Penn State rallied from a 14-point deficit in the final minutes.

Crispin had 14 points, and he sparked the Lions' comeback, hitting consecutive 3-pointers to pull Penn State within 63-61 with 5:33 to play. But after a timeout, Reese drove in for a layup, then hit a 15-footer to make it 69-61.

Stephens made three foul shots and Joe Crispin scored on a fast break to pull Penn State within three points, then Reese scored on a putback. Joe Crispin hit a fallaway jumper, but Reese hit a jumper from the top of the key.

Announcing the Year 2000 Annual Awards of the Albert Ravarino Italian Studies Travel Scholarship

Thanks to a generous gift from the Albert Ravarino family, the Italian Studies Program is pleased to announce the Year 2000 annual competition for travel in support of summer research and foreign study in Italy. Grants will be made in amounts not to exceed $3,500, and will not normally cover all expenses. Notre Dame graduate and undergraduate students who are planning to pursue research or a formal program of summer study in Italy are invited to apply. Students must have completed at least one year of Italian language. Students of any discipline who will normally be in Italy, will involve the study of Italian language, literature, and culture; and must be applicable to a student's degree program at the University of Notre Dame.

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Students are invited to submit a letter which should include:
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Senior Cavey named co-Big East pitcher of the week

Notre Dame senior righthander Scott Cavey from Omaha, Nebraska, has been named co-Big East Conference pitcher of the week in the first awards of the 2000 season, allowing just one hit in six innings of a 6-0 win over Air Force on Feb. 24. Cavey — who shared the award with Rutgers junior righthander Jim Wilson — turned in a 78-pitch outing that included six strikeouts and eight groundouts, with one hit and one walk allowed during his 20 batters faced (the game was seven innings and opened the Service Academies Classic, at USA Baseball stadium in Millington, Tenn.). The lanky righthander retired the final 10 batters he faced, after yielding a two-out double to leadoff hitter Brian LaBasco in the third inning.

Air Force's best scoring chance came in the second inning, when cleanup hitter Geremy Goldsberry drew a full-count walk before moving up on a pair of groundouts. But Cavey struck out Ryan Carville to end the inning.

LaBasco could have managed a triple on his two-out hit in the third inning, but he stumbled prior to touching the first-base bag. Cavey then struck out Brendan Shannon on four pitches and the Falcons managed no more baserunners the rest of the way.

Cavey boosted his career record to 10-1, with a 2.64 career ERA, 83 strikeouts and 20 walks in 101 and one-third innings pitched. He has averaged just 1.78 walks per nine innings during his career, with a 4.15 career strikeout-to-walk ratio.

Cavey's last 11 appearances include a 7-0 record, a 2.49 ERA, 44 strikeouts and just five walks in 54.1 innings. During that span, he owns an 8.8 strike-to-walk ratio and has averaged just 0.83 walks per nine innings.

Senior pitcher Scott Cavey was named co-Big East pitcher of the week. Cavey has a career ERA of 3.64 and a career record of 10-1.
I want to be a professional athlete, not a role model

What I want to be when I grow up:

Someday I want to be a professional athlete. I want to hear the crowds cheering for me. I want to be on television so that all of the little kids can look up to me. But I don't want to be a role model. I just want them to watch me play sports, not anything else. That's my private life.

I want to make a lot of money. That way I can buy too many expensive cars, wear lots of jewelry and bribe the cops just like Sebastian Janikowski did.

If I have a lot of money, then I can behave any way that I want like Dennis Rodman. Go ahead, fine me a $13,500 in five games this season; I make $12,195 per game. I'll make it back in just over a game. $1,000 contract before he choked him. That would feel good. Next time the coach makes me run, maybe I'll choke him.

All of the pro athletes get away with anything they want. I want to get away with every-thing too. No one ever gets fired in trouble, unless they do something really bad like commit murder. Even then, they can usually hire Johnny Cochran to get them off.

They can beat their girlfriends like Lawrence Phillips or drink too much like Steve Howe. They can do drugs like Leon Lett or get prostitutes like Eugene Robinson. If they want to, they can do both like Daryl Strawberry and Michael Irvin.

The best thing is that even when they do get in trouble, they get lots of chances. How many has Dary!) had? And everyone just feels sorry for the athletes if they get caught.

They get some great discounts at department stores because everyone recognizes them, especially at Dillard's. I hear that's where some of the best athletes hang out. You have to be good for that though. For most athletes, that's just stealing. For a good athlete, it's a gift from God. And talk about being popular. Pro athletes get all of the girls. They have lots of kids too: kids that want them to take care of. I wish I were a pro star's kid. Then he could send me $1,000 per month in child support from his million-dollar check.

Everyone would call him a good dad and I'd agree. I could brag to everyone that my dad was Shawn Kemp. I'd love to see him maybe once a year. But athletes are busy; he probably wouldn't have time for me. Oh well.

People say that sports have too much violence, but I don't think so. Some of my favorite stuff is the fighting. Marty McSorely is so cool. Did you see the way he jacked up that guy? Sometimes I think the only thing that's interesting about hockey is the fighting and the violence.

Or how about when the baseball players brawl? They get suspended sometimes, but the cops stay out of it.

People shouldn't criticize them so much. They have a tough job and have to release their tension somehow. It's only natural to want to fight...

Being an athlete has a lot of hard things too though, like watching what you say. I learned in class about the first amendment stating that I can say whatever I want no matter the ignorance, stupidity or meanness of it.

But for athletes, that doesn't apply. I mean look at John Rocker and Reggie White. Well, at least John Rocker, nothing really happened to Reggie. He's the most hated man in sports and for good reason. What he did was wrong. He should've gone and snorted cocaine instead. At least then, fans would be sad instead of mad.

Athletes can't let either. But I wouldn't do that. I know how bad that is. Look at Pete Rose. He bet and they won't let him come back to baseball. I agree. Baseball can't risk ruining its reputation by letting a gambler back in. They should just stick to people that throw firecrackers at little kids like Vince Coleman or wife-beaters like Wil Cordero or even players that play hard all the time and appreciate the fans like Albert Belle.

Despite all of these tough things though, I want to grow up just like those guys. That way, kids like me now can try to be like me when I grow up. But I don't think I should have to be a role model. I want them to want to be like me, but not to BE like me.

Sincerely,
Your everyday kid

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Troy Murphy battles for control in Wednesday night's game against Syracuse. Murphy finished the game with 20 points.
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The Irish.
"It shouldn't have come down to that," senior point guard Jimmy Dillon said. "We got down by 14 and dug ourselves a hole. Yeah it's a pivotal point in the game and we wish it didn't happen."
The Irish wish the first half didn't happen either. Syracuse made five of its first six 3-pointers and jumped out to an early double digit lead. Preston Shumpert, who killed the Irish in the teams' first meeting, made all four of his shots including three 3-pointers.

Ryan Blackwell was also unstoppable, putting up 15 points in the first half. "They are a tough team to play zone against," Doherty said. "They have a lot of interchangeable people that are tough to match up against. Shumpert was just ridiculous in the first half."

I think he is getting me back for not recruiting him at Kansas. I challenged their manhood at halftime and they showed their character. They didn't quit."

Notre Dame, playing man-to-man defense and going with a smaller lineup in the second half, mounted a charge and cut the lead to one with 2:50, but Jason Hart's five points down the stretch and the closing sequence slammed the door on Notre Dame's hope for the upset.

"Our kids showed great character and didn't quit," Doherty said. "We beat them by 12 points in the second half, but two [losses] is a trend, but we just made it a third. We need to right this ship quickly."
Blackwell finished with a game-high 24 points for the Orangemen, who clinched at least a tie for the Big East regular season crown. Euan Thomas finished with 15 points and 16 rebounds, while Hart added 16 points and six assists.

The Orangemen shot 51 percent for the game and outrebounded the Irish, 33-27. Syracuse outscored Notre Dame, 40-20 in the paint. Murphy scored 20 points and grabbed six boards in a losing effort for the Irish. Freshman Jere Macura came off the bench to score 12 points in 21 minutes of play and Graves added nine points and six rebounds. Notre Dame connected on 12-of-21 shots (57 percent) from behind the arc.

Irish captains Skylard Owens and Todd Palmer got the start on senior night. Owens scored Notre Dame's first basket and Palmer later added a 3-pointer.

Notre Dame travels to the nation's capital Saturday to take on Georgetown in the regular-season finale.

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### Sports

**Men's Basketball**

Notre Dame drops heart-breaker to Syracuse

-- Technical foul seals Irish fate; comeback falls short

By BRIAN KESSLER

Head coach Matt Doherty got on the microphone and warned the fans not to throw anything on the court.

Two fans decided not to listen. And when a water bottle hit the court in the closing seconds of the game, Notre Dame was assessed a technical foul that sealed its fate.

"It was the third time something hit the floor and I was on the mic after the first one," Doherty said following Wednesday's 73-71 loss to No. 9 Syracuse at the Joyce Center. "The officials never warned us, but I guess I warned us. It was a tough time to make that call, but we shouldn't have been in that position.

The Irish, however, had the Orange men just where they wanted them. After trailing by 14 at the break and by as many as 16 in the second half, Notre Dame was down just two points with 44 seconds left in the game and in position to win or send it to overtime. But an intentional foul on David Graves and the ensuing technical on the crowd led to the Irish's demise.

Ryan Blackwell made 2-of-4 foul shots and Syracuse took possession of the ball with 8.8 seconds and a four-point lead. Darnone Brown was fouled and made 1-of-2 foul shots to push the lead to five. Troy Murphy then drained a desperation 3-pointer, but all but one out run on the court.

Freshman Jere Macura shoots over Syracuse's Tony Bland and Etan Thomas in Wednesday's 73-71 loss. Macura finished with 12 points.

### Women's Tennis

Solid doubles play leads Irish to victory over Wildcats

Special to the Observer

The 15th-ranked Notre Dame women's tennis team used a scrambled, but effective, doubles lineup to beat 12th-ranked Northwestern 4-3 on Wednesday at the Eck Tennis Pavilion.

After the teams split the six singles matches, the Irish raced to 5-2 with the No. 1 and No. 3 doubles to clinch their sixth straight victory over the Wildcats. Notre Dame improves to 8-4 with the win and will face 33rd-ranked Ohio State on Thursday in Toledo, Ohio. Northwestern falls to 9-2 with the loss.

An injury to Irish junior Kimberly Guy forced the breakup of Notre Dame's 16th- and 17th-ranked doubles teams. Junior All-American Michelle Dasso, who is ranked 17th in doubles with sophomore Becky Varnum, teamed at No. 1 doubles with freshman Katie Cunha. Cunha is normally Guy's partner and made up the 16th-ranked team in the country. Varnum and sophomore Nina Vaughan paired together for just the third time ever and rolled over an 8-2 win over Jennifer Lutgert and Leigh Weinraub at No. 3 doubles to give the Irish a 4-3 lead.

Cunha and Dasso — playing together for the first time — beat 51st-ranked Colleen Cheng and Katherine Nasser 8-2 at No. 1 doubles to clinch the win. Notre Dame's usual No. 3 doubles team of sophomores Lindsey Piriou and Kathleen O'Brien forced the tiebreaker, Dasso built a 5-3 lead. Nasser rallied for 5-5 and saved match points at 5-6 and 6-7 before Dasso converted on her seventh match point to tie the match after singles.

The Irish had taken an early lead in singles when Varnum beat Shannon Duffy 6-1, 6-2 at No. 2 singles. Cheng tied the match with a 7-6 (10-8), 6-2 win over Zalinski at No. 3 singles. Cunha — playing in just her second dual match in 2000 in place of Guy — won the final five games of the match to beat Lutgert 6-4, 6-4 at No. 6 singles, after Lutgert had handed Cunha two of her three losses in the 1999 fall season. Piriou held off Green 6-4, 6-2, 6-3 at No. 5 singles to tie the match once again at 2-2. Jackson then beat Vaughan 6-3, 7-6 (7-4) at No. 4 singles to give the Wildcats a 3-2 lead before Dasso beat Nasser at No. 1 singles.

### Big Ten Tournament

Syracuse's senior center Etan Thomas slammed to the open second half, which put his team up 47-31. At that point, senior point guard Jimmy Boeheim, placing for the final time on his home court, started off an Irish comeback with a 3-pointer.

"That just shows the character of the team," Boeheim said. "Coach jumped on us a little bit.

Playing tenaciously throughout the second half, the Irish inched their way back into contention. Pre-season All-American Troy Murphy scored 12 second-half points, and freshman Jere Macura scored all 12 of his points in the second period.

"I don't think I've ever seen anyone make tougher 3s than they made in the second half," Syracuse head coach Jim Boeheim said. "They were in a big hole. They're a young team, and they just

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