Admitting a class of colors

Notre Dame and Saint Mary’s actively recruit minority students to create a diverse environment and enhance students’ overall education.

While no rules are bent to increase the acceptance of minority students to Notre Dame and Saint Mary’s, efforts are made to recruit a diverse student population.

Saint Mary’s cancels ‘Monologues’

By MOLLY McVOY

College president Marilou Eldred told student organizers of “The Vagina Monologues” Tuesday that the play would not make a reappearance on Saint Mary’s campus this year.

The move is part of a nationwide movement on college campuses to increase dialogue about women’s sexuality.

In response, student organizers have called for a speak-out on Wednesday evening to discuss if the play has a place on Saint Mary’s campus.

The College administration’s position that the play should not be performed this year.

“The administration’s position is that we don’t want [The Vagina Monologues] performed on this campus again,” said Marilou Eldred, the College’s president.

Saint Mary’s encouragement of dialogue about issues of women’s sexuality caused some to question its appropriateness for a Catholic campus.

Last year’s February production at Saint Mary’s was sponsored by the Campus Alliance for Rape Elimination (CARE). After the performance, CARE offered counseling.

The play generated needed dialogue about the issues of women’s sexuality, lesbianism, rape, and the need for women to recognize that their bodies should not be violated but celebrated, according to “Monologues” supporters.

I think the discussion is necessary,” Eldred said. “My issue is clearly with reducing the play.”

“We have not been responsible to all our constituency—students, alumni and supporters,” said Linda Timm, director of student activities. “Voices on the other side of the issue (opposed to the Monologues) have seldom been heard.”

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INSIDE COLUMN

Can you say vagina?

That's right, I'm talking to you. So can you say vagina? It seems that at Saint Mary's, not only can we not say the word vagina, but we had better not talk about vaginas or anyone else's either.

On a campus that has 1,565 students with vaginas, you might wonder why we are experiencing this vagina prohibition. Let me explain.

Last year, part of a nationwide movement on college campuses to raise awareness about violence against women, and generate dialogue about women's sexuality, the nationally acclaimed play "The Vagina Monologues" was presented at Saint Mary's on the same day as at other colleges. When student organizers put pressure on the university to perform the play on a Catholic campus, namely Saint Mary's, it is sending a message loud and clear that there is no place for dialogue about violence against women. This is an abomination.

Women should be encouraged to talk about their bodies and violations of their bodies and recognize that we need to celebrate our diversity. Encouraging women to talk about their bodies is a matter of respect among women. By not allowing women to talk openly about their bodies and sexuality, it leaves the door open for society and the media to define what is and is not appropriate for women in regard to their sexuality. If women can't define their sexuality and talk about their autonomy, they have to accept what society and the media says.

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

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Notre Dame women's basketball coach, Muffet McGraw on the UConn win

"We would not have used the stadium if it was a risk, but there are substantial repairs that have to be made."

Director of public relations Dennis Moore on stadium repairs

"We've been very fortunate all the way through. There has been tremendous support for (Generations)."

Executive director of development, Dan Reagan on "Generations"

"I think peace is to respect people, to sit together, to speak as equal people."

Noah Salameh Ghnaim on the Israeli-Palestinian conflict

OUTSIDE THE DOME

U.Illinois students speak up about T.A.'s language

CHAMPAIGN, Ill.

If understanding an instructor is how students handle class material, students have somewhere to turn.

University of Illinois policy outlines specific procedures for students with complaints or problems understanding their instructor's English.

Before instructors from foreign countries can teach, they must meet the university's English language requirements. The university follows the state law that all instructors at state universities must be orally proficient in English. According to campus policy, exceptions can be made for instructors who teach foreign language courses in their native language.

International teaching assistants show oral proficiency in English by passing either the Test of Spoken English or the Speaking Proficiency English Assessment Test, also known as SPEAK, said Cheelan Bo-Linn, interim head of the division of instructional development.

SPEAK, the test's older version, operates on a scale from 20 points to 60 points, with 20 being the lowest possible score. A passing score is 50. The Test of Spoken English has been used since 1996 and has a different scale. On this test, a passing score is 230 or higher.

University policy also requires those who pass the English-proficiency test to attend both an orientation for international teaching assistants and an all-campus orientation for teaching assistants.

In two follow-up workshops and have their teaching monitored by their department.

University of California-San Diego

Campus braces for power crisis

The power crisis that left thousands of Californians dark in the past week has forced the University of California at San Diego to prepare for possible outages.

Wendy Schiefer, manager of customer relations at Physical Plant Services, said the UCSD campus is in electrical stage three emergency, which means there is a threat to the electrical system reliability and an increased possibility of campus equipment failing power outages. Schiefer says that under stage three emergency, students should reduce electrical usage as much as possible and refrain from any sensitive research that requires electrical power. Schiefer, who is living in the dark and without heat due to skyrocketing energy bills, said she believes it will take an actual blackout to get students to conserve.

"Some people may not take the energy crisis seriously," Schiefer said. "We've sent out e-mails and community bulletins to residents, asking them to conserve energy as much as possible."

Iowa State University

Student falls overboard on ship, dies

An Iowa State University freshman climbed over the railing of a cruise ship off the coast of Florida, lost his grip and fell overboard, where he died on impact, said police officials in Tampa, Fla. Officials said 19-year-old Michael Hepner, freshman in landscape architecture, was on a week-long trip with his girlfriend on the Carnival Cruise Sensation before he died Jan. 14.

"Earlier that night, they got into an argument, and they walked out to the balcony," said Dan Durkin, spokesman for the Tampa Police Department. "The victim climbed over the railing, as if he was going to jump, and decided he was not going to. As he attempted to climb back over, he lost his grip and fell."

The cruise crew attempted to locate Hepner and called the Coast Guard for assistance, Durkin said. The Coast Guard found Hepner two miles off the Florida coast near Tampa, he said. Hepner was taken to Tampa General Hospital, where he died about 7 a.m. from neck and head injuries sustained from the impact of the fall, Durkin said.

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NATIONAL WEATHER

The AccuWeather forecast for noon, Tuesday, Jan. 23.

Local airports and high temperature degrees for the day:

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Boston 28 25
Chicago 39 25
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Detroit 25 21
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Members discuss the possibility of structural changes

By JASON McFARLEY
Associate News Editor

At a meeting Monday that may have prompted more concerns than it resolved, Campus Life Council members looked for ways to address problems that have long nagged the organization.

In the midst of some tension, the 75-minute meeting meshed much discussion with relatively few results, before members moved to halt their talks and reconvene at a later date.

The move effectively gives representatives two weeks to reconsider the CLC’s mission and rule at Notre Dame — issues that didn’t bring the council to a consensus on Monday.

“Do we like the current structure of the council, or do we need a new structure?” student body president Brian O’Donoghue asked. “What can we do to redeploy this body?”

O’Donoghue, who didn’t link his concerns to any specific incident, said these were questions he has had throughout the year. On Monday, he asked CLC members to come to the meeting prepared to speak openly about their own reservations.

Most of their feedback centered around members’ responsibilities on the council.

“I sometimes feel unclear about the role I should have on the council. There are a lot of times when I want to jump in, but I know this is a student-run body, and it’s their ballgame,” said Sister Mary Ann Muenninghoff, Pasquella East Hall rector.

Philosophy professor Ed Manier also expressed some uncertainty about his role on the council. At one point, Manier talked about having a large workload while students are partying near the end of the semester, and the dialogue led to a brief but tense exchange between Manier and Knott Hall rector Brother Jerome Meyer, who mistook Manier’s comment as an insult.

Later, other controversy arose as Manier seemed to direct comments at Bill Kirk, assistant vice president for student affairs.

“How can any of us hope to accomplish real change in an environment where student life administrators dictate what we can and cannot do. You can’t achieve change in at institution where there isn’t academic freedom,” Manier said.

Shortly after, Kirk moved to end discussion and reconvene at the group’s next meeting. At that meeting, members will likely return to other topics that arose Monday — the CLC’s taskforce work and the scope of the council’s authority.

Many members agreed that the council has been more productive than in recent years.

“I like having task forces to address specific issues. It keeps us focused on a mission,” Dillon Hall senator Brendan Dowdall said.

But student body vice president Brooke Norton offered a different perspective.

“The only perceived problem is we’re still stagnate. There hasn’t been a huge report or concrete results, but that may be because we have such long-term goals,” Norton said.

“Still, it might be good to do some reports and show that we are being active.”

Also in question Monday was the scope of the CLC’s authority.

O’Donoghue told members that he would consider any matter that affects the Notre Dame community as legitimate fare for the CLC.

Manier said other organizations have an advantage over the CLC because they have clear missions. The CLC establishes goals as needed, Manier said.

O’Donoghue noted that the CLC is a University body under the control of the Office of Student Affairs, and as such, it remains the only body of its type to have public meetings.

He asked members to consider whether or not to close meetings, citing past comments from CLC members fearful of making public statements.

In other CLC news:

◆ O’Donoghue told the CLC that the newly formed Advisory Committee on Academic and Student Life (ACASL) will have its first meeting sometime next week. He said the CLC will remain a body separate from the ACASL.

◆ Jay Smith, student government chief of staff, said the Office of the Student Body President is sponsoring a student panel Wednesday as part of Martin Luther King activities at Notre Dame. The “Colors of the World” forum will be moderated by University executive vice president Tim Scully at 6 p.m. in the Hesburgh Library auditorium.

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Whitmore: fortunate should help poor

By ANDREW THAGARD
News Writer

The Catholic Church’s social teaching can make valuable contributions to the living wage debate, said Todd Whitmore, Notre Dame Anti-sweatshop Task Force director and associate professor of theology.

About 30 people attended Whitmore’s Monday night lecture titled “The Living Wage in Catholic Teaching. Economic Justice for All.” It was the first in a semester-long series on the “Living Wage.”

In his lecture, Whitmore presented an overview of Catholic social teaching and an account on the living wage. He also made suggestions as to what the Catholic perspective adds to the issue.

According to the Pope, this [social justice] is a non-optional part of Catholic teaching,” Whitmore said.

He maintained that the Catholic Church has traditionally called for a living wage to serve as a baseline for ameliorating social injustices.

“It’s important to recognize that the living wage is a minimum condition according to Catholic social teaching. Where there is more, more ought to be given,” he said.

However Whitmore was quick to point out that the Catholic Church’s preoccupation with socialism or the elimination of private ownership. Rather, he maintained the Church encourages a system in which the poor would allow more freedom.

The students present advocated democracy we practice in the political sphere can extend to the economic sphere,” he said.

Whitmore also suggested that the Catholic Church teaching seeks to improve the quality of life and sustain the family.

“It [Catholic teaching] points out that the living wage is a ‘right to life’ [and a] pro-family issue,” he said.

Whitmore said that not only the workers but also the family suffer when their salary is below the living wage. He added that this fact was supported by empirical studies, elevating the infant mortality rate and leading to a five times higher death rate among lower paid workers and their families compared to their more affluent counterparts.

Lastly, Whitmore stated that when the Church endorses policies shifting between the more fortunate and those who need help.

“The University can help meet the living wage by taking less themselves, that property is a reality, but it’s not an absolute right. You are a steward of that property,” he said.

At Notre Dame Whitmore suggested that the University could take a cut in their commission from school apparel if the manufacturing companies agree to do so as well. That money, he maintained, could be funneled toward impoverished communities.

He also compared Disney CEO Michael Eisner’s $560 million annual salary to the dollar-an-hour wage that Chinese factory workers earn producing Disney brand products.

“There’s a point at which you say ‘that’s too much,’ he said.

More lectures to follow

Another forum for and against the living wage will receive special focus this semester at Notre Dame through our most important forum on the subject.

The 12 lecture series is sponsored by the University’s Anti-Sweatshop Task Force, the Program in the Catholic Social Tradition, and the Center for Social Concerns.

We don’t want to raise people’s awareness about the issues surrounding the living wage and to do what is possible to show these issues are worked out. Last year we dealt with a lot of issues regarding sweat shops and we have yet to address the living wage,” Whitmore said.

Abroad students can vote at SMC

By NICOLE HADDAD
Saint Mary’s News Editor

Beginning with this year’s student body elections, Saint Mary’s students studying abroad will have the opportunity to vote for candidates during the elections. According to student body president, Crisitie Renner, candidates’ platforms will be posted on the web sites and students will then e-mail their ballots.

In case of a run-off, abroad students will not again. Instead, they will use a ranked system in the primary vote, whereby they rank the candidates by first, second and third choices.

Although students abroad will have a voice in student government for the first time, there is concern that the voting system will not be anonymous because it is conducted through e-mail.

In addition, students will not have the opportunity to meet the candidates and ask questions, their opinions are based solely on the posted platforms and previous knowledge of the candidates.

Despite these problems, many students feel that the most important thing was that they are given this opportunity to be a part of the campus while overseas.

“It’s only fair that the option is available to every Saint Mary’s student and if she doesn’t feel she wants to be revealed, she doesn’t have to vote, but every Saint Mary’s student should have the opportunity,” said sophomore Aizen Lentz, who just returned from studying a semester in Rome.

“I think more students are interested in voting than are in keeping anonymity,” said Renner.

Chady Canetti, another student who also recently returned from Rome, agreed.

“It’s more important that we get to vote than that it is anonymous,” she said.

“The Rome students are going to be on campus next semester, and next year these people will be representing them and it’s important that these students are part of the decision making because it’s their school too.”

Some disagreed, arguing that students won’t take the time while abroad to inform themselves on the platforms and make an educated decision.

“Well, the reason I didn’t do an absentee ballot is because I knew nothing about the platforms... and if I didn’t take the time to research before I left I don’t know that I would have taken the time to read the internet platforms either,” said sophomore Erin Moran who went to Rome last semester.

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The supporters of the “Monologues” feel that the student forum is the best way to generate a substantial amount of discussion and no other forum that they have encountered causes a large number of men and women to talk about issues of sexuality.

“If all the programming I have seen on campus seeks to promote open dialogue, this is the best way to talk about things that you’re usually not supposed to talk about.”

“I think the shock value of the play is very valuable,” said Julie Frischkorn, another organizer of the monologues. “I’ve been to anything else that draws the summary conclusion that the ‘Vagina Monologues’ does.’”

In order to advertise on the campus, the forum needs to present the “Vagina Monologues,” the students must have administrative approval. Although Linda Timm, College vice president for student affairs, explained that the College has the power to deny advertising on campus grounds and deny access to facilities, she hopes the forum will take place.

“Typically, our response has not been to flat out say no,” Timm said. “I've always felt that we have been able to work with students in a non-adversarial way. We don't always agree, but I have not felt that these students have lashed out at my arguments. I’m confused by their response.”

Frischkorn and Koelsch said there is a need to present the “Vagina Monologues” on campus and hope that, after Wednesday’s option will become clear.

“We recognize the administration’s ability to say no, but we don’t want it to come to that,” Frischkorn said. “We do feel so strongly about our cause that we are going to try to have the same effect as last year, but, as of now, we do not have a specific plan.”

“Not letting us have it on this campus is going send a bad signal to women who have finally started talking about their bodies,” Koelsch said. “It tells the students last year, you could talk about these issues. This year, you can’t.”

Both sides of the issue hope the speak-out generates discussion from those in favor of the monologues and those with concerns.

“I don’t feel that, at this point, there’s much dialogue happening,” said Timm, the director of student activities. “I feel like the administration is trying to keep tucked under the rug.”

“I felt that they were very reasonable,” Frischkorn said.

“Th is is not going to happen on this campus this year, the student body needs to know why. Koelsch said. “We’re just going to have to wait and see what happens on Wednesday.”

“Why so many people support this is because it is promoting the end of violence towards women,” Koelsch said.

The speak-out will be Wednesday evening at 9 p.m. in the Dalloway’s coffeehouse.
WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Child rebels surrender: The teen-age twins who led the God's Army rebel group acknowledged on Monday they have no mystical powers to repel bullets and said they want to give up fighting. Wearing oversized soccer shirts, Johnny and Luther Hozo, who led a hit-and-run campaign for three years against the Myanmar military, said their days as soldiers are at an end. "I want to live as a family with my parents," Luther told reporters at a border crossing in this mountainous area. "I want to study." World's oldest man turns 112: An Italian shepherd listed by Guinness World Records as the world's oldest man celebrated his 112th birthday Monday by downing a glass of red wine — the secret, he says, of his longevity.

WORLD NATION

EQUADOR

Workers race to contain oil spill

Associated Press

PUERTO BAQUERIZO — U.S. teams were racing up equipment Monday for the dangerous task of transferring diesel mixed with sea water back onto a ship that has dumped 150,000 gallons of fuel oil into this Pacific Island.

The Ecuadorian tanker, which began leaking fuel Friday, was lying tilted sharply to its right side about 550 yards from San Cristobal Island.

San Cristobal is one of the Galapagos Islands, which are famous for their giant tortoises and rare species of birds and plants. Charles Darwin developed his theory of evolution by studying wildlife on these islands in the Pacific Ocean, 600 miles off Ecuador's coast.

The team of U.S. experts, including 18 members of the U.S. Coast Guard's pollution response National Strike Force, arrived late Sunday with specialized oil spill equipment such as inflatable containment barges and high-capacity pumps.

U.S. Coast Guard Cmdr. Edwin Stanton told The Associated Press that his team would attempt to transfer remaining fuel spilling through the ruptured hull to empty storage tanks that are still intact within the ship.

But he said pounding surf and shifting pressure within the vessel could cause the tanker to break apart.

As of Sunday, 150,000 gallons of fuel had leaked, Reondon said, and slicks had affected a 117-square-mile area.

Reondon said surf pounding the tanker Jessica, which ran aground Tuesday in a bay off San Cristobal, has opened up new fissures in its hull, speeding up the rate of the leak. The ship carried 243,000 gallons of diesel.

He said the spill was heading south and could reach Santa Fe, a small island 37 miles west of San Cristobal famed for the San Fe land iguana, a species that is found nowhere else in the world.

Experts said curtailing the flow of escaped fuel is almost impossible now.

"The bottom line is once oil gets out of a ship it's virtually impossible to remove it or contain it on the ocean," said Stanton.

Galapagos National Park biologist Mauricio Velasquez said the long-term danger is that the fuel will sink to the ocean floor, destroying algae that is vital to the food chain, threatening marine iguanas, sharks, birds and other species.

Velasquez said the current was also pushing the spill south, and that within days it could reach Espanola Island, where large colonies of sea lions and other marine animals congregate.

Flanking nets and barriers have been set up to control the spill, but officials said slicks had reached nearby beaches and harmed at least 11 sea lions, which were expected to live. Some 20 birds, including blue-footed boobies, pelicans and albatrosses, also were affected.

Crews attempt to stabilize the oil tanker Jessica Monday. The tanker ran aground last Tuesday near the Galapagos Islands.

CONGO

Kabila's death sparks xenophobia

Associated Press

KINSHASA — Along with thousands of other Congolese, Deborah N'goma waited in line for hours to pay her respects to assassinated President Laurent Kabila, lying in state ahead of a Tuesday funeral.

"I won't go home without seeing the president, I must say goodbye," the 17-year-old student said Monday at the open-air Palace of the People. "I'm very sad. The Americans killed the president.

Such anti-Western sentiment has skyrocketed in this Central African capital since Kabila was gunned down in his presidential palace last week.

Details of the assassination remain murky. The rebel movement — now led by Kabila's son, Joseph — says a lone bodyguard shot the president, but some reports suggest a bitter argument with military brass prompted the slaying.

A host of African countries are supporting the government or various rebel factions in a civil war that erupted in 1998, but frustrated Congolese are increasingly pointing fingers further afield to explain their deeply divided nation's problems.

"The white man is very bad. They don't want blacks to progress," said Vital Nuedika, 35. "Kabila has died because he said no to the white man.

The West has a brutal past in Congo. The nation, originally formed in the late 19th century as the personal property of Belgium's King Leopold II, was built by slaves, some of whom had their hands chopped off when they did not fulfill rubber quotas.

In the decades after independence in 1960, the West kept friendly relations with heavily armed rular Mobutu Sese Seko, one of many anti-communist dictators tolerated by the United States and its allies.
Bush blocks United States abortion aid

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

On Monday's anniversary of the Supreme Court decision legalizing abortion, President Bush signed a memorandum reinstating the full abortion restrictions on U.S. overseas aid that his father and former President Reagan had instituted before him.

"It is my conviction that taxpayer funds should not be used to pay for abortions or advocate or actively promote abortion either here or abroad," Bush wrote in his executive memorandum to the U.S. Agency for International Development, which oversees family-planning aid to foreign countries. It was Bush's first major policy action since becoming president on Saturday.

"It reverses the Clinton administration's position on unrestricted family-planning aid and bars U.S. money to international groups that use their own money to support abortion - either through performing the surgery, counseling on abortion as a family-planning option or lobbying foreign governments on abortion policy."

On his first workday in the White House, Bush also gave a written statement to marchers on the 28th anniversary of the Supreme Court's Roe v. Wade decision that legalized abortion.

"The promises of our Declaration of Independence are not just for the strong, the independent or the healthy: They are for everyone, including unborn children," his statement said. "We share a great goal, to work toward a day when every child is welcomed in life and protected in law ... to build a culture of life, affirming that every person at every stage and season of life, is created equal in God's image."

Abortion-rights supporter Kate Michelman saw it as Bush's latest act of war on women's reproductive rights, following on his nomination of staunch abortion opponents to key Cabinet posts - former Sen. John Ashcroft for attorney general and former Wisconsin Gov. Tommy Thompson as secretary of health and human services.

"We share a great goal, to work toward a day when every child is welcomed in life and protected in law ... to build a culture of life, affirming that every person at every stage and season of life, is created equal in God's image."
The Encuentro program is a valuable and sponsoring was a pre-college enrichment program, particularly with our multicultural students is one of the most successful ways of overcoming roadblocks to enrolling minorities, Carrandi de Bowe noted.

"When I came out here to visit, it was so gorgeous, so peaceful — I loved it. My hostess was black, and she'd still be out here when I got here, I didn't feel like I wouldn't fit," she said.

Getting minority students on campus and in contact with current students is one of the successful ways of overcoming roadblocks to enrolling minorities, Carrandi de Bowe noted.

"If we can get students here before they apply, we can see how we can get students to minority applicants. Nucciarone said.

"It's important to work on the relationship," Nucciarone said. "If they can come here and tell her story, she wants to keep telling that story to the same student. For that reason, I try to work with a lot of the minority students myself.

Through a combination of study work programs, federal aid and scholarships, Nucciarone tries to help minority applicants and families make a college education affordable. But she does run into roadblocks. The financial aid office has had a high success rate in helping minority students fund their education at Saint Mary's. - 95 percent of minorities receive some form of financial aid, with the average grant standing at $19,778 per year. Sometimes, the money just isn't enough, Nucciarone said.

"If you are going to give Saint Mary's a realistic offer for one student, you need to provide enough money. There's a combination of factors that play into that — the student may have been admitted to Stanford, and even given free tuition. You don't know," she said.
This Week in Campus Ministry

Tuesday
Badin Hall Chapel
Campus Bible Study
will resume February 6, 2001

Monday-Tuesday, January 22-23, 11:30 pm-10:00pm
St. Paul’s Chapel, Fisher Hall
Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesday, January 23, 7:00 p.m.
Siegfried Hall Chapel
Confirmation-Session #7

Wednesday, January 24, 10:00 p.m.
Morrissey Hall Chapel
Interfaith Christian Night Prayer

Dr. Martin L. King, Jr. Holiday Celebration
Tuesday, January 23, 7:00 p.m.
101 DeBartolo
Keynote Speaker: Dr. Cornel West
“IT takes a Village to Plant the Future:
The Partnership Between Institutions of Higher
Learning And Surrounding Communities”

Wednesday, January 24, 6:00 p.m.
Hesburgh Library Auditorium
“Colors of the World: An Inter-Active Forum”
Presented by the Student government
Moderator: Fr. Tim Scally, c.s.c.

Thursday, January 25, 7:00 p.m.
Keenan-Stanford Chapel
Prayer Service: “Mustard Seed Faith”
Reflections by Fr. Edward Malloy, c.s.c. and
Senior Rene Mulligan

Friday-Saturday, January 26-27
Oakwood Inn
El Encuentro con Nuestra Fe Retreat

Friday-Saturday, January 26-27
Sacred Heart Parish Center
Freshman Retreat #33

Sunday, January 28, 1:30 p.m.
Zahn Hall Chapel
Spanish Mass
President: Fr. Tom Bednar, c.s.c.

Sunday, January 28, 7:30 p.m.
Montgomery Theater
Sankofa Scholars Honors Assembly

Monday-Friday, January 29-February 2
112 Badin and 103 Hesburgh Library
Sign-up for Emmaus
New group or individuals interested
in a small faith sharing group.

Beginning Monday, January 29 through February 19
103 Hesburgh Library
Sign-up Freshman Retreat #34
(February 23-24, 2001)

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One of the great myths in this very complex, nation-dividing debate over abortion is that abortion is good for women. It is as if to be pro-life one has to be anti-woman, or that the debate is about the good of the woman versus the good of her child. In recent years I have come to know about a half dozen women who have had abortions. Each one of them felt trapped by her life’s circumstances, either for lack of resources, family support, church support, or the support of their environment on campus where they were studying at the time. They did not feel they had options or someone to help point out their options.

In short, they felt they had no choice.

They also never knew how this decision would have repercussions in their life in the future. They dreaded the moment and hoped it would pass. After nearly 30 years of legalized abortion in the US, we now know too much about abortion’s long-term effects on women to accept that abortion is good for women. Post abortion syndrome is closely related to post traumatic stress syndrome. Feelings of dread, depression and worse are triggered by the commonest experiences—a child the same age as the one that was lost, the time of year when the abortion took place, the child’s birthday, seeing other mothers happy with their families. Often these symptoms do not appear for as long as ten years after their trauma. They are often debilitating.

Women are in a way the greatest victims of abortion. But healing and support are possible. Fortunately on the local scene there is help for women who have been through the trauma of abortion. The University Counseling Center and the Women’s Care Center in town offer free counseling services and programs to help bring about healing. Perhaps even more importantly, these same centers will help a woman feeling trapped to see the full array of resources, family support, church and as a community we are slowly learning that being pro-life is about supporting women in their greatest hours of need.

Ever wonder why we as Catholics do what we do or believe what we believe? Please send us your questions, comments and suggestions to ministry1@nd.edu.

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Sign-up now for an Emmaus group!
Sign up a whole group or individually anytime between Monday, January 29 and Friday, February 2.

Stop by Campus Ministry at Badin Hall or at Hesburgh Library.
If you have any questions, call Amy @ 1-3389.

Emma says: Support the campus MLK celebration!

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high school. Notre Dame purchases test scores and profiles from the SAT, PSAT and ACT and looks for minority students that show the academic ability to succeed at Notre Dame.

"We are not admitting minority students just to make the school more diverse," said Cynthia Santana, multicultural recruiting coordinator for the undergraduate admissions office. "We are admitting these students because they are qualified, can succeed here and will make the school more diverse."

Chandra Johnson, assistant to the president and a member of the University committee for cultural diversity, said Notre Dame's high admission standards makes recruitment of minorities even more challenging. Many intelligent minorities, who often have less educational opportunities compared to their white counterparts, have not taken enough high level classes to be admitted to Notre Dame.

"Minority students are less visible in education mainstreams where students can get the courses they need to apply so we have to go out there and find them earlier," she said. "If they are in a high school where the high school offers AP (Advanced Placement) and other courses that will eventually give these students a high profile, we have to encourage them to take these courses."

Notre Dame needs to seek out these students earlier in their high school careers and point them towards the appropriate classes so they will be ready for acceptance to Notre Dame by the senior year, according to Johnson.

Even if minority students are qualified academically, financial reasons often prevent them from attending the University. Notre Dame competes with other prestigious schools that usually offer more lucrative offers.

"Every school has some way of luring them in," Santana said. "For some it's dangling big scholarships in front of them. But that's not something we do. We are more committed to providing financial aid for all of our students rather than using big diversity scholarships to lure students here.

Instead of offering free rides to multicultural students, Notre Dame uses government loans and financial aid packages to help minority students attend the University. This usually requires the families to fill out complicated forms. Admissions officers work closely with the families to help them understand their financial aid packages and fill out the forms correctly.

T heir work is sometimes fruitless, however. Many families chose the simplicity of a scholarship over the complicated loans and financial aid packages offered by Notre Dame.

"They don't even understand the words 'financial aid,'" Santana said. "They do understand scholarship. Scholarship to them means free money. So they prefer a scholarship to a financial aid package."

Beyond the racial and ethnic differences between the majority of Notre Dame students and potential minority recruits, the culture of the Midwest is often one of the largest deterrents. Many Hispanics and Asian American students come from the Southwest or West while many African-Americans live in the South. The vast differences between their home life and the culture of the Midwest can be a major drawback for the University.

"I've had experiences with people from California who say 'The Midwest is just not for me, I want to go back. It's just not for me,'" said Kevin Hulse, assistant director of Multicultural Students Programs and Services (MSPS). "Anything from Midwestern wealth to Midwestern accents can only highlight the alienation some minority students feel.

"South Bend isn't exactly the most attractive place for many diverse students," Santana said. The Catholic nature of Notre Dame, however, is one of the biggest drawing points for Notre Dame among Hispanics. Veronica Trevino, a freshman from Coachella, Calif., learned of Notre Dame from Holy Cross priests in her town. The Church drew her to Notre Dame even though the admissions department didn't actively recruit her.

Santana said the Catholic nature of the University is not a positive, however, for African American students who are usually not Catholic.

"The Catholic aspect of the University can be not as attractive to African American students," Santana said. "That's probably the population that we have the most difficulty with. They see the Catholic aspect as a turnoff."

Johnson and McCord, both of whom are African-American, disagree with Santana.

"That is not true in my experience," Johnson said. "I believe that is a myth. The reason I say this is that of the students who come, 75 percent are not Catholic... The Catholic nature of the institution is a draw because students embrace the spiritual aspect of the University. This is unfortunately a belief that tempers our passion to recruit African Americans. It is a historically passed down perception that not only majority folk but also African Americans tend to think is reality.

While Notre Dame has increased the number of multicultural students since 1990, recruitment continues to be difficult. Convincing one student from a high school to attend Notre Dame rarely leads to other students attending in later years, according to Santana.

"It is just as hard today as it was before," said Santana, who graduated from Notre Dame in 1998 and came from a predominately Hispanic high school. "I remember going back to my high school and talking to students over year but it wasn't until my junior year that another girl came."

"Difficulties in recruiting minorities lie in the minority perceptions of the school."

Nikki McCord co-chair of the senate diversity committee

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Showing students can behave at games

I just wanted to take the opportunity to congratulate the Notre Dame men's basketball team and Notre Dame student body for restraining themselves during the home game against West Virginia on Sunday. Considering the events which occurred last year against Connecticut and Miami, this was an extremely impressive display of behavior by the students.

I have never seen such restraint before and it was certainly a good thing for the Notre Dame basketball team.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"On this shrunken globe, men can no longer live as strangers." - Adial E. Stevenson, politician
A distinctively diverse banquet

If you have never been to Truman's, if you have never taken an Anthropology class, if you have never heard a word about war and peace. Studying conflicts occurring in countries about which you have never heard, all the while hearing from students abroad during the course of their Notre Dame education than any other university in the nation. Certainly, we advocate a worldly education in unique cultural settings. But, back on campus, we must do a better job of picking international faces in our midst? How many students have participated in a multi-cultural event on campus? How many Canadian students have attended a meeting of the Asian club or La Alliance? Stereotypes based on race are deeply ingrained in our minds, we are mostly unaware they exist. One African-African American student says that he is automatically assumed to be an athlete whenever he first meets a new friend. Another African-American student who happens to be a varsity athlete, how often are his interests reaching beyond the scope of sports for the focus of attention? The word from those who have traveled to join the Notre Dame family is not often enough. The majority of us seem content to remain ensconced in our homes, open-mindedness you could ever have. Diversity is the greatest. Many members of the Notre Dame community have commented that diversity is something we are lacking. Others argue that diversity is being overemphasized, something that we overlook and under-estimate. Either way, diversity is a feature about which we do not pay enough attention, do not discuss and certainly do not do anything about it.

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FEATURE COLUMN

Annual Rahie Awards rip through 2000 music scene

It's been a year since I first started the Annual Rahie Awards, and I know the Notre Dame community has been anxiously waiting patiently for the second installment. The year 2000 was filled with craziness and music was there to provide the correct answers to all of the really important musical questions of the past year.

Album of the Year: Kid A by Radiohead
I have never heard rock critics say a bad thing about Radiohead in the last three years, but I can't really blame them. What most people don't understand, though, is that this band is single-handedly rock 'n' roll. Kid A might be lacking guitars, but it is definitely not lacking creativity. The album is hypnotic, frantic and beautiful.

Best New Artist: David Gray
Ok, so he's not exactly "brand new," but he was just introduced to America this year. His distinct voice and folk/electric style made White Ladder (his latest release) a big hit. Now he just has to stop trying to look like Dave Matthews when he sings live.

Single of the Year: "The Real Slim Shady" by Eminem
Say what you will about Eminem, but no one can deny that this was the song that started all of the talk. Eminem created a catchy tune that also managed to take cheap shots at Christina Aguilera, Tom Green and other celebs.

Britney vs. Christina 2000: Definitely Britney
What Britney lacks in singing ability, she makes up for it in, ah, personality. Britney has managed her career very well so far, coming off as a wholesome girl in interviews and doing FOX TV Specials, so that a nation of boys can get their fix. Meanwhile, Christina has maintained the role of the dirty girl who never gets her way. Plus, Britney is hotter.

The Whiner of the Year Award: Billy Corgan
The Smashing Pumpkins' album sales plummeted and Corgan needed to come up with an excuse. So he blamed it on the boy bands eating up the Pumpkins' market share. Essentially, he's right, but he didn't need to beat his hue and deride his own melodrama. There are plenty of "old" alternative bands -- like Pearl Jam who are doing just fine with their mega-fan base. Old Billy just couldn't stand being second rate.

The Most Blatant Rip-off of Pearl Jam Award: Creed
I was paying through my friend's music collection the other day and stumbled upon two Creed albums. My sense of self-pride wavered, but then I remembered that it is more of a taunting reminder than anything else.

The Problem Album of the Year: Things Falling Apart
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Furtado offers pop fans an icon with actual depth

By TOM OGORLAEZ
Sonic Music Critic

While the boy bands and teeny hopper idols churn out platinum tripe, there does in fact exist a more thoughtful side of the music industry that succeeds in finding fresh new acts with actual creative ability and panache. As Britney Spears and Christina Aguilera are marketed for mass consumption, the thinking man with a soft spot for prettily faced artists has an alternative, and her name is Nelly Furtado.

Furtado represents all that multicultural society can hope for in pop music: a Brazilian child of centuries of the close ties between Portuguese rhythms and styles of the American hip-hop. In doing so, she creates some amazing effects. The first track begins with a string quartet and the chirping of teeny finches — until Furtado inserts a rhythm guitar and beatbox behind her strong vocals. Over the course of the album she uses everything from micro-synthesizers to turntable scratches to the berimbau and the udu (two instruments with which few popular music fans are familiar.)

In addition to instrumental diversity, Furtado varies styles from track to track — sometimes singing coyly, betraying her youth; sometimes rapping about love lost and deep emotional history, it is clear that even at her weakest points she exposes those other acts which have not found in many of today's pop acts. Through a blend of hip-hop, native Portuguese rhythms and soul, Furtado exposes her true talent in an album of genuinely heart-felt and catchy sounds.

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Whoa, Nelly!
Nelly Furtado
DreamWorks Records

Rating
MORGANTOWN
West Virginia center Chris Moss left the team for personal reasons and apologized for spitting on a Notre Dame cheerleader.

"I'm sorry for my behavior that occurred within the heat of competition, which caused me to overreact to a situation," Moss said. "This was totally out of character for me."

Coach Gale Catlett said Monday he would allow Moss to take an unspecified leave "to get his personal life in order." The player's mother has multiple sclerosis, a school official said.

"He wants to take some time away from the team," Catlett said. "He's a great young man. He has never been a problem. Chris comes from a great family. I'm sure he will get this corrected and get on with his life."

Moss had to be restrained after fouling out during a 78-61 loss Sunday. Catlett sent assistant coach Lester Rowe to escort Moss to the locker room.

As Moss walked in front of the Notre Dame student section, fans began taunting him.

He turned quickly and spit toward the crowd, hitting a female cheerleader sitting on the floor along the baseline.

"I embarrassed myself as well as West Virginia University," Moss said. "This will never happen again."

Catlett wasn't aware that Moss had spat at the crowd until told by reporters after the game.

The coach said Moss has been a problem.

"He argued at first. and then tried to play out of the team," Moss said. "I'm sorry for my behavior. Trust me, I never feel good, but you never know what can happen. He could go down tomorrow, next week, the end of the year or not at all."
SUPERBowl XXXV

Billick chastises media for continued interest in Lewis case

Associated Press

TAMPA

The Super Bowl took on the tenor of a daytime talk show, filled with heartwrenching confessions, stunning accusations, and a rapt audience held captive, not wanting to miss the next revelation.

At one team hotel Monday, Giants quarterback Kerry Collins gave an unflinching breakdown of the alcohol problem that nearly ruined his life and his career.

At another, Ravens coach Brian Billick was brash and accusatory with reporters, whom he knew were eager to interrogate his embattled star linebacker, Ray Lewis.

Yes, there's lots of talking yet to take place this week before a football game to be played Sunday, but it's hard to imagine it could get much better than this.

First came Billick, who went on the offensive a day before Lewis takes the stage at media day to discuss the rash of events that have changed his life and made him the most compelling story of Super Bowl week.

"As much as you want to do this, we are not going to retry this," Billick said. "It's inappropriate, and you're not qualified."

In a story already well-documented, Lewis was charged with double murder in the stabbing of two men outside an Atlanta night club after last year's Super Bowl. He wound up pleading guilty to obstruction of justice and received probation from the courts and a $250,000 fine from the NFL.

Billick says the issue has been resolved. In an uninterrupted, five-minute speech, he accused news outlets of misreporting and sensationalism in their unending quest for new information that he claims won't ever turn up.

Those who wish to embellish it, not to crystallize it, not to shed new information, but simply to sensationalize it for your own purposes, quite personally, this is a personal observation, it's reprehensible," Billick said. "I don't like it. It's unprofessional. That's my personal opinion."

He has instructed Lewis to answer the questions Tuesday, and not after that. Other players have been told not to touch the issue.

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Although some -- like the catchy name "Sharte" -- may not have heard the warning.

"I really don't foresee it lingering any longer than tomorrow," he said. "I know you guys are going to talk about it this week. The questions are going to be harsh, they're going to be brutal."

Billick senses that, too, so he went on the offensive from the start, then defended his actions. He said he had every right to use his bully pulpit to chastise the media because "I have the podium and you're all here to listen to me."

It was a rocky close to an interesting day for the Ravens, who began in Baltimore with a weightlifting session, continued at a pep rally with more than 50,000 fans and saw their procession to the airport interrupted when one of the team buses collided with a police car. Nobody was seriously injured.

"I had a New York emblem on the side," Billick said, in one of the few light moments.

The Collins session was less combative, more touchy-feely. Standing wide-eyed, gesturing with his hands and answering questions without hesitation, the quarterback's 30 minutes behind the podium were pure, cathartic drama, a ground-breaking exhumation of the problems that nearly buried his career.

"I think I'm a better success story off the field than on the field, because the things I've done off the field have transcended into my professional life," he said. "I had a hard time separating between Kerry Collins the quarterback and Kerry Collins the person. That distinction wasn't very clear until recently, until I realized I had to take care of myself first before I could do anything else."

Collins said his drinking problem led to almost everything else in his life -- the driving-while-intoxicated charges, and his earning the labels of quitter and racist.

Of his ugly exit from the Carolina Panthers, he said: "I never wanted to quit on that team. If I had wanted to quit, I surely wouldn't be standing here."

For the first time, he discussed his use of a racist remark to a black Panthers teammate at the end of training camp.

"I used a term that was not meant to be used in a malicious way," he said. "In my polluted, altered mind, I believed that, in some sort of way, it would bring forth some sense of camaraderie."

Since his troubles, he entered counseling and was picked up by the Giants, finishing with a 3,600-yard season that led them on this unexpected trip to the Super Bowl.

"I'm very proud sitting at the Super Bowl as the quarterback for one of the teams," Collins said. "I'm more proud of what I do, day in and day out, that makes my life what it is today."

A few moments later, he stepped down from the podium and walked away, his head held high, as the curtain closed on a most revealing day.
Dawson calls Olajuwon trade unlikely

Associated Press
HOUSTON

It's almost unthinkable that Hakeem Olajuwon would end his great career anywhere but in Houston.

Since arriving in the city from his native Nigeria, Olajuwon's name has been synonymous with Houston basketball, first at the University of Houston — taking the Cougars to NCAA Final Four appearances — and later leading the Rockets to consecutive NBA titles.

Yet, in the final year of his contract that pays him $5.5 million, Olajuwon told the Rockets he would consider being traded and possibly extending his 17-year career beyond this season.

By Chris Dawson

Rockets general manager Carroll Dawson has told the center it was highly unlikely the team could pull off such a deal.

"He asked us to look into 'can he be traded,' and that's where we are and we can't do that," Dawson said Monday. "I keep getting these calls that I don't have an answer for (about trades)."

The 38-year-old Olajuwon, on the team's disabled list with a cyst on his right knee, went through a rugged workout Monday but probably won't be with the team when he plays in Denver on Tuesday night.

Olajuwon has had difficulty previously playing in the high altitude of Colorado.

"You don't want to start back in Denver," Olajuwon said, smiling.

Olajuwon ended the interview, however, when asked when he planned to sit down with Rockets owner Les Alexander to discuss his desires. "I don't want to talk about that, that's it," Olajuwon said.

Dawson said it was his understanding that Alexander and Olajuwon would meet this week, possibly Wednesday when the Rockets host the Philadelphia 76ers.

"They are going to talk and something else may come out of that," Dawson said. "My job is to try to get him back and win as many games as we can."

Dawson doesn't doubt there are teams that would take Olajuwon.

"Anybody that's in the race would be interested in Hakeem as far as trading," Dawson said. "I think if they said they were interested in Hakeem, I believe it. But think how many players it would take for a deal like that."

After Olajuwon's contract expires, the Rockets will be under the salary cap, giving Dawson room to sign his own players and possibly shop for free agents.

Olajuwon missed four games after a cyst on his right knee caused swelling and on Jan. 9 he was placed on the team's disabled list, still affected by the swelling that first occurred when he fell Dec. 21 in a game against the Los Angeles Lakers.

Olajuwon is playing his 17th season and is averaging 10.2 points and 1.3 blocks in 29 starts this season.

The Rockets have played their last 11 games without a true center. Kelvin Cato is out with a partially tornrotator cuff and Jason Collier is recovering from knee surgery.

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76 last Monday.
Connecticut's drop in the rankings marks the first time since 1999 that the Huskies have not been ranked No. 1. It is also the first time in seven years that two schools from the same conference held the first and second positions in the same poll.
"Everybody has a shot to come out and be a great team," said senior Neile Ivey. "I think we proved that. Nobody thought we'd be as good as we are."
"We thought of ourselves as No. 1 for a long time, but nobody outside Notre Dame really recognized that," senior Kelley Seimon said.
Although the team's focus remains on winning the national championship, Riley admitted that it feels good to receive national recognition.
"A lot of the focus is on how you end the season," she said. "But because this is a first for the University, it makes it special."
Even though the ranking is a first, the Irish have felt they belonged at the top all season.

"We've been in the top three all year, and all we'd hear would be Connecticut and Tennessee. We kind of thought, 'What about us?'
Although the ranking thrills them, the Irish know they still have a long way to go.
"We're going to have a lot of confidence," Ivey said. "But we have to realize that we have to give 110 percent in every practice. If we don't, we're not going to be No. 1."
"The big question now is how we are going to react," said McGraw. "Are we going to be nervous or tentative, or are we going to keep playing with the same confidence we have had the entire season?"
Notre Dame's first game as the No. 1 team will be Wednesday when they travel to West Virginia to take on the Mountaineers.

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Sophomore Jan Viviani led the men's epee squad with a 9-1 record at New York University last weekend. The men went undefeated, beating all four schools in the meet.

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Steve Boutsikaris was Notre Dame's top fencer this weekend, 1999 National Champion and Olympic Keeth Smart. Auriol feels, however, that the Irish will still reign supreme in the rematch at NCAs.

"Even with Keeth Smart, we would have won the match in epee," he said. "The Irish sabremen were fencing very tough."

Sophomore Matt Fabricant rotated with the other sabre­men and posted an undefeated 9-0 record.

"The sabre team is by far in my opinion the best squad in the country," Auriol said.

Sophomore Ozren Debic, who was nearly the best in the country last year as he finished second at the NCAs, finished the weekend with an 11-1 against stiff competition.

His only loss came against Kevin Erikson of Columbia, but Debic blamed his only blemish on heartburn and not lesser skill.

"That loss was all lunch," Debic said.

The sophomore foil captain said he was lethargic in his final match of the day. After facing the best teams in Yale and St. John's before lunch, Debic didn't try his hardest against Columbia. Although Debic jumped out to a 3-0 lead, he let Erikson come back to win the match 5-4.

"That was a lesson to me...not to think that I was done because I will have to fence the good guys at NCAA in the final matches," Debic said.

The surprise hero of the foil squad was junior Steve Mautone. Despite finishing with a disappointing 2-7 record, Mautone picked up his two wins against the Red Storm last weekend.

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"I don't know if it was stress or something else, but Steve went out and won two bouts and nobody expected that," Conner said.

Sophomore All-American Jan Viviani paced the epee squad with a 9-1 record including a 2-1 record against St. John's.
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The Notre Dame bowling club finished 34th among 57 teams at the Las Vegas Invitational. Darren Kraft paced the Irish with a 184 average, while Brian Gerken next at 175.

Darren Kraft repeated his performance this year’s field included eight of the top tier-one events in the country. The club will return to the courts next weekend at Michigan.

Sunday, the Irish will host the Blue and Gold Classic this Saturday and Sunday at Beacon Bowl. Now in its fourth year, the tournament boasts a full intercollegiate field of 52 teams, and is one of only 10 tier-one events in the country. Nationally recognized as one of the country’s premier events, the competition will run Saturday from 1:30 to 7:30 p.m. and 9 a.m. to the closing ceremony at 2 p.m. Sunday.

Skiing
Defending Division champions, the women of the ski club are determined to qualify for the Nationals this year. After finishing fourth among the top varsity and club teams in the region a year ago, missing the nationals by 04 seconds, the Irish unleashed a summer of festering by sweeping Michigan, Michigan State, Grand Valley State and Western Michigan off the slopes this weekend at Schuss Mountain.

In the slalom, sophomore Molly Munsterer paced the squad in capturing first place, while freshman sensation Leigh Hellrun took third. Junior Ellen Block finished ninth to score for the Irish. Munsterer repeated her performance with gold in the giant slalom, while Hellrun managed to take eighth, despite a fall on her first run.

Sophomore Mike Ryan is once again the pace-setter for a young men’s squad that finished fifth among the six competing teams. Ryan skied two solid runs to earn fifth overall. Wes Jacobs, Kevin Kennedy, Ryan Boger and Jon Pribaz were all able to finish both runs on the hard packed snow. The club will be back in action next week at Crystal Mountain.

Men’s Volleyball
The men’s volleyball club continued its most successful season in recent memory, recording four victories in six matches in Midwest 10 Conference play at Marquette this weekend. Peter Stroitzman, Greg Silber and Rob Smith had dominating performances as the team posted solid opening wins over host Marquette, 25-18, 25-23; Wisconsin - Milwaukee, 25-20, 26-24; and a nice comeback spurred by Scott Hapeman against Iowa State, 25-19, 26-25, 15-11.


Despite the heroics of Dan Madden, the club dropped the final contest with Western Michigan, 18-25, 25-18, 15-9.

Wisconsin - Whitewater, Wisconsin - Oshkosh, and Ball State remain in conference play.

Old College upperclassmen and staff with Bishop Dan Jenky, C.S.C.

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A slow start against West Virginia gave Notre Dame a 13-point handicap. Dropping behind early against Syracuse could diminish the home court advantage and tie a noose around Notre Dame's neck. "We have to come out with the intensity in the first 20 minutes," Irish point guard and captain Martin Ingelsby said after beating the Mountaineers Sunday. "We got down. We can't get down at the beginning against Syracuse.

Syracuse may be missing one of the weapons that struck down Notre Dame Sunday. He played just 24 minutes and scored only five points in the game, after brushing his thigh in practice late last week and taking a bump in the same location early in the game with Seton Hall.

Syracuse coach Jim Boeheim told the Herald-Journal Monday, "I don't anticipate him playing Tuesday."

The Irish better avoid taking Brown's loss twice this year, to No. 16 Seton Hall and No. 6 Tennessee. The Orangemen's Preston Shumpert, a 6-foot-6 junior guard, leads his team with 20.5 points per game and 5.4 assists. DeShawn Williams and Allen Griffin both average in double digits as well. "They're a team that we haven't beat since I've been here," junior guardmallard David Graves said. "To be the best, you have to beat the best." The Orangemen employ a stifling zone defense. Notre Dame's defense is superior and worked extremely well on the counter and try a tasty, flame-broiled Cheeseburger. The meet came down to the second and third place finishes put them ahead of the Belles.

"It was a great meet," said Hildebrandt. "We swam right with them in every event." The Belles pulled another five first place finishes. Maureen Palchak captured the 50 freestyle after finishing third in the 200 freestyle moments before. Elizabeth Dorn, joined her by taking the second place spot. The Belles then finished first, second and third in the 100 freestyle with co-captain Colleen Sullivan taking first with a time of 57.63 seconds followed by Dorn (59.02) and Chloé Lenihan (.500-2.4). Meghan Ramsey helped the team with her top finishes in the 100 and 200 freestyle. Diver Ryann Cox and many swimmers set several personal and season best times.

**Women's Swimming**

**Alma edges Saint Mary's in final event of meet**

By JANEL MILLER
Sports Writer

Saint Mary's swimming and diving team got an early start to the season on Jan. 16 when the Belles faced off against Alma College at Rolfs Aquatic Center. Alma got the best of the Belles, however, taking the meet 116-115.

"They swam really well," said head coach Gretchen Hildebrandt. "The times accomplished by these women who were tired and broken down are absolutely remarkable."

The Belles spent their break training in Florida where they couldn't escape the cold weather with 37 degree mornings, frost and chilly breezes.

"It was ironic to find out that it would have been warmer some mornings to swim in South Bend," said Hildebrandt. "But the women remained very positive and worked extremely hard."

Despite being sore and fatigued from their intense training over the history, it's more than any.
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WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Topping the charts

Irish earn No. 1 ranking for first time in school history

By ANDREW SOUKUP
Sports Writer

In the middle of October, Ruth Riley happened to walk near Grace Hall and noticed the eight-foot high No. 1 sign illuminated on top of the building. "We passed it when it was up for the soccer team," Riley said. "I remember thinking in that back of my mind how cool it would be if we could have it up for us." Now it is.

For the first time in the 24-year history of the Notre Dame women's basketball program, the Irish are ranked No. 1. In both the Associated Press and ESPN coaches' polls released Monday, Notre Dame jumped over Connecticut and Tennessee to hold on the top slot by beating the Huskies 92-70 Sunday night.

Connecticut dropped to No. 2 and Tennessee moved down to No. 3. The Irish received 40 of a possible 41 first place votes in the Associated Press poll, and 33 of a possible 40 first place votes in the ESPN coaches poll.

"We're just so excited about the No. 1 ranking," said Irish head coach Muffet McGraw. "We've held on the top slot by beating the Huskies over and over again." The win marked the first time the Irish beat the Big East powerhouse, leading to Notre Dame's top ranking.

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FENCING

Irish find success, failure on road

By MIKE CONNOLLY
Sports Writer

Two very different fencing teams came back from New York late Sunday night.

The men's team returned victorious, buoyed by four wins against top competition — including championship favorite St. John's. "I think this team can go undefeated this season," head fencing coach Yves Auriol said after Notre Dame's 15-12 win against St. John's, 16-11 against Columbia and a pair of 18-9 wins against NYU and Yale.

The women's team, however, knows it has a long road of improvement to travel if they want to be national title contenders in March. The women dropped three of their four meets to claim a weekend including an 18-9 loss to St. John's, 15-12 to Yale and 17-10 to Columbia. The women's lone victory came over NYU 23-4. "We are not as deep with the women as we are with the men," Auriol said. "We have a couple fencers from the women's side who are not fencing at their best right now. We are going to improve on the women's side but we won't be as good as we were in the past three or four years."

Although the women return five of six qualifiers from the 2000 NCAAs, the hole left by the graduation of four-time All-American Magda Krol has yet to be filled.

"Magda was really the one who could fence with the best," Auriol said. All-American Liza Boutiskaris has stepped into Krol's role as foil captain and posted an 8-4 record over the weekend. The sophomore, however, has yet to fill the leadership void left by Krol and is still learning on the job.

"It is kind of difficult only being my sophomore year," Boutiskaris said. "I am sure there are people on my team who know what to do better than I do. I just try to copy off Magda and use her for my job."

The Irish have a chance to do something this week they've never done before — move into the hunt for a Big East Championship. "Notre Dame's never been in a league race," men's fencing coach Mike Brey said.

"Notre Dame joined a league for the first time in 1995-96 when it entered the Big East, and last year's Irish, at 3-2 in the conference, stand third in the West division of the Big East."

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MEN'S BASKETBALL

Irish remain hungry for conference wins

By KATHLEEN O'BRIEN
Associate Sports Editor

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