Jenkins: new provost unlikely before July 1

President-elect and committee seek input

By CLAIRE HEININGER
News Editor

It is unlikely that Notre Dame will choose a new provost before University President Theodore Hesburgh leaves to become the president of Wake Forest University on July 1, University President-elect Father John Jenkins said Tuesday.

“We’re not going to be constrained by that timeline,” said Jenkins, who chairs the seven-member committee charged with finding Hesburgh’s successor.

If necessary, Jenkins said, the search could extend into the fall, with an interim or acting provost — named in advance of July 1 — filling the role on a temporary basis.

The provost is elected by the Board of Trustees, and the next formal meeting is scheduled for the end of April. However, it would be “next to impossible” for a new provost to be named by that time, Jenkins said.

He stressed all candidates’ names would be kept confidential.

“We (the committee) agreed and committed ourselves not to discuss any specific individuals we will consider for our deliberations outside the committee,” Jenkins said. “We feel that’s essential to attract the strongest candidates so they will participate.”

Though the incoming president did not expect to be searching for a new second-ranking officer during his own year of transition, Jenkins recognized the importance of finding the right person to fill what he called a “critical, demanding job.”

“This must be my highest priority right now,” Jenkins said. “And (it) certainly will be my first priority until we find an excellent provost.”

Determining what qualities constitute that overseer will be the search committee’s next task, Jenkins said.

“We decided in the first several weeks of this search we will focus strictly on the qualities needed in a new provost at this time in Notre Dame’s history.”

ROTCD brings military presence to campus

Cadets, cadre battle misconceptions

By KATE ANTONACCI
Assistant News Editor

Editor’s note: This is the first in a two-part series exploring the perceptions and realities of the ROTC program at Notre Dame and Saint Mary’s.

Each day, the 311 students currently enrolled in the Reserve Officers’ Training Corps (ROTC) at Notre Dame attend classes, eat in the dining halls and participate in normal college student activities, though sometimes in uniform. Along the way, they learn to balance life as a student at a competitive university with preparation for their eventual transition into military service.

The ROTC program has been at Notre Dame in some form since the University’s founding in 1842. Of the current ROTC students, 90 are in Army, 114 are in Navy and 140 are in Air Force.

Scholarships

Each branch of ROTC has its own system of awarding student scholarships.

Of the 120 Air Force ROTC

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Midterms arrive at ND early

Professors schedule exams before break

By KATIE PERRY
News Writer

Although the week prior to spring break is infamous on college campuses for rigorous midterms, some students — especially freshmen — are finding many professors have scheduled exams to take place during the weeks before break.

Jonathan Lawrence, visiting assistant professor of theology, scheduled his 100-level theology course mid-semester exam two and a half weeks before spring break. Since the course is divided into three distinct units, it was logical to schedule the exam after the completion of the first unit, Lawrence said.

In some cases it just makes sense to have the exam at a certain time because a unit is finished, and if we postponed

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SMC nursing program under review

By MEGAN O’NEIL
Assistant News Editor

Saint Mary’s nursing faculty and local health care professionals met in a public forum Tuesday afternoon to discuss the College’s nursing department as part of a re-accreditation process for the program.

The Saint Mary’s nursing program is currently under review by the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission (NLNAC), one of two national bodies that accredit nursing schools.

The department compiled an extensive self-study of the program according to the commission’s guidelines and submitted it in December. The next step in the process, which is going on this week, is a three-day evaluation by NLNAC representatives.

The representatives will meet with faculty and students, evaluate resources and teaching techniques and visit clinical sites where students work.

“We go over (the report) a few times,” said Ann McGinn, a nursing professor at Gymnoped-Mercy College and one of two evaluators on campus. “And then what we are here for is to verify ... the info in that report.”

McGinn and fellow evaluator Peggy Hawkins, a professor at the College of Saint Mary’s in Omaha, Neb., spoke briefly about visiting Saint Mary’s student nurses at their clinical sites Tuesday and invited each audience member to share something about the program.

Most of the two dozen people in attendance wore themselves nurses who had worked with

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Activity overload

Our parents' generation often lament what they describe as the "apathetic youth" of today. We tend not to vote, and we certainly don't march on Washington waving banners of peace. We are not academically engaged and rarely read books not assigned to us in class. We prefer video games to lecture on global warming any day. Indeed, it seems that the more speakers the administration and faculty bring to campus, the fewer students are in attendance.

Contrary to popular opinion, however, this is not because we don't care about issues such as the crisis in Sudan. It is simply because we are overwhelmed by all that is expected of us and all that we expect of ourselves.

Take the month of February as an example. February is, among other things, Black History Month, American Heart Month, Martin Luther King Jr. Day, Women's History Month and Youth Leadership Month. Tons in National Eating Disorder Week along with Ash Wednesday and the beginning of Lent, and you have got yourself a very busy 28 days.

All of these observances are accompanied by obligations which with we are pitted by various means of communication. We are invited to "save a life" and donate blood. We are encouraged to attend a lecture on eating disorder intervention. We are given the opportunity to mentor a local youth. The catch phrase in all of this is of course "raising awareness." Groups want to raise awareness about violence against women, raise awareness about the death penalty and raise awareness about illiteracy in the United States. This is not to say that these things are not important and valuable — they certainly are.

At a certain moment, however, you simply reach a point of awareness fatigue. No matter how interesting or engaging the administration and faculty bring to campus, the fewer students are in attendance.

Until then, we will continue as the so-called apathetic youth. The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer. Contact Megan O'Neill at onel0907@saintmarys.edu.

INSIDE COLUMN

CORRECTIONS

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February 23, 2005

Life in the Balance: Death Penalty Perspectives

The following events, part of the University’s “AmFest: Tolerance and Recognition” series, are open to the public.

February 23, 2005

Teology on Tap: The Death Penalty

Come to Legends at Notre Dame for the popular Teology on Tap series. This Teology on Tap will feature Fr. John Gilmarten and Fr. Dan Parrish, CSC. Fr. Gilmarten is spiritual adviso to Michael Ross on Connecticut’s death row whose sentence was recently stayed indefinitely. Gilmarten will be speaking his journey with Ross who is mentally ill and has volunteered the death chair.

Where: Wednesday, February 23, 10:00 p.m.
Where: Legends, Notre Dame

A Prayer of Hope & Witness

Join in prayer for all those affected by capital punishment — those on death row, their victims, families, spiritual advisors and those who work in the legal system. We also pray for John David Dufty, on the night he is scheduled to be executed in Oklahoma, and for the murdered victim’s family members.

Where: Thursday, February 24, 8:30 p.m.
Where: Log Chapel, Notre Dame

“From Rage to Reconciliation” Luncheon

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Where: Tuesday, March 1, Noon
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Having dinner in the Noble Dining Room of Saint Mary’s College and come to the West Wing to join in conversation with Bud Welch, president of Murder Victims Families for Human Rights. Welch’s daughter, Julie, was killed in the Oklahoma City bombings. Students are free. Public may purchase meal at the entrance of the Noble Dining Room.

When: Sunday, February 27, 5:30 p.m.
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National Debate on Death Penalty

Madson Hobbly will discuss his 14 years on Illinois’ death row and how he was found innocent of actually murdering his wife and children. Dick Dieter, director of the Death Penalty Information Center, will moderate the program.

Where: Thursday, March 3, 7:00 p.m.
Where: DeBarolo Performing Arts Center
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the exam then the material wouldn’t be as fresh in everyone’s minds,” Lawrence said.

Another common reason cited by Lawrence and other professors was related to the mid-semester evaluations required for all first-year courses. According to Lawrence, grade reports must be submitted by 3 a.m. on the Friday before break. Because there is no lapse in time, a student who performs poorly on the mid-term exam may have a skewed grade on their evaluation.

“I need to submit mid-semester grade reports for freshmen,” Lawrence said. “Scheduling the exam early allows me time to have another assignment due this week so that the mid-semester grade isn’t based only on the midterm.”

In addition to providing a grace period for students seeking to improve grades with other assignments, early midterms also allow professors the adequate time to grade exams so evaluations can be given to the Registrar on deadline.

“I teach first-year students,” physics professor Jacek Furdyna said. “I need to have some concrete basis on which to provide feedback to the Registrar on how first-year students are doing before the mid-semester break.”

Both Lawrence and Furdyna said another reason for holding their respective exams early is to help students who may be swamped with exams in other classes during the conventional mid-term time slot.

“Having mid-term exams that straddle the rush is the way to avoid overwhelming the students,” Furdyna said.

Junior Chelsea Horgan said from a learning perspective, scheduling exams over multiple weeks is a more rational means of testing students on what they know.

“Staggering midterms is definitely a better idea, because when [professors] lump all of the tests together, I feel less prepared for each one,” Horgan said.

When Lawrence taught his course four years ago, he scheduled the exam early in an attempt to relieve stress from students who had multiple exams during the week before break. According to Lawrence, this strategy has since been employed by numerous professors and has thus backfired.

“Inevitably other professors have had the same idea, and each semester many of my students have had other exams at the same time,” Lawrence said.

Freshman J.T. Platek experienced this last week when he faced four mid-semester exams — two weeks prior to the typical time for midterms. Despite the onslaught of untimed tests, however, Platek remained optimistic.

“I’m happy [my exam schedule] was cluttered because now I can devote the next couple weeks to lounging,” Platek said.

But according to Lawrence, other students may not share this glass-half-full perspective.

“Some students have been frustrated, but most of the time they realize that there’s no perfect solution to the problem,” Lawrence said.

“The last week before break may be the busiest but it’s going to be pretty busy for a couple weeks regardless of when the exams are scheduled.”

Regardless of the unplanned coordination of early exams, students like Horgan recognize that some professors — especially of the higher-level courses — are basing their midterm schedules on student input.

“Professors are giving us more of an option as to when the test is,” Horgan said. “Freshman and sophomore year we didn’t really have options but now professors give us possible test dates, and we get to vote when the best time is to take it.”

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just thought it would be nice.”

Harris said Lynd, her friend since high school, left for the war in early September. Lynd enlisted in the Marine Corps as soon as he graduated high school, and Harris said the two have kept in close contact over since.

“I send him mostly e-mails online, but my parents and family have been sending him a lot of food and stuff like that,” Harris said.

Harris said she chose to send Lynd items from the bookstore as gifts “out of convenience.”

“He said he wanted something from the school,” she said. “He got the package after the New Year just because of the delay in getting there, and the picture was taken toward the end of January.”

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INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Proof of water found on Mars

AMSTERDAM, Netherlands — Images relayed by a European space probe reveal the presence of a sea of water ice, one in the equator of Mars, scientists said Tuesday at a conference in the Netherlands. The existence of the lake means the water would have significantly increased the chance that microscopic life may also be found on Mars.

The evidence comes from photographs, not yet published, taken last year by the European Space Agency’s Mars Express probe currently orbiting the red planet.

Scientists said there was once water on Mars, and data from NASA’s Mars flowers has recently appeared to confirm it. But most scientists said the water had evaporated into the atmosphere early in the planet's history.

Queen's absence expected

LONDON — Buckingham Palace said Tuesday that Queen Elizabeth II would not attend the civil marriage ceremony of her son Prince Charles and Camilla Parker Bowles, but that her absence should not be interpreted as a snub.

The monarch will attend the church blessing at Windsor Castle after the April 8 civil marriage ceremony in the less public hall and will host the wedding reception at the castle.

"The queen will not be attending the civil ceremony because she is aware that the prince and Ms. Parker Bowles wish to keep the occasion low key," a palace spokesperson said. "The queen and the rest of the royal family will, of course, be going to the service of dedication at St. George's Chapel, Windsor Castle."

NATIONAL NEWS

Arrest made in assassination plot

ALJUNOUD, Va. — A Virginia man was charged with plotting to kidnap President Bush in a conspiracy that two federal law enforcement officials said Tuesday was a plot to kill President Bush in conspiracy prosecutors said was hatched while the man studied in Saudi Arabia.

Ahmed Omar Abu Ali, 23, of Danielson, Conn., had been held without charges in Saudi Arabia since June 2003. He was returned to the United States this week after an initial appearance in U.S. District Court shortly after his arrival Tuesday morning at Dulles International Airport.

He did not enter a plea but contended he was tortured while detained in Saudi Arabia and offered through his lawyer to show the judge his scars.

More L.A. storm damage expected

LOS ANGELES — Californians braced for even more rain Tuesday as they struggled to recover from storms that have left at least nine people dead, triggered mudslides and tornadoes, and washed away roads and runways.

Among the victims was a Nevada woman caught in an avalanche while cross-country skiing near Lake Tahoe, and a 16-year-old Orange County girl going home on a computer when a mudslide crashed through the wall of her home.

In Ventura County, officials closed the small Santa Paula airport Tuesday after more than 1 1/2 feet of runways collapsed into the rushing Santa Clara River. Chunks of concrete crumbled into the water throughout the day.

LOCAL NEWS

IU research benefits Navy

BLOOMINGTON, Ind. — Indiana University will sell its research on an underwater navigation system to the Navy, in a deal to be announced Tuesday.

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St. Dan Parrish  
Legends of Notre Dame |
| 24 THURSDAY | NOON | “Waiting with Someone on Death Row”  
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Haggar Parlor, Saint Mary’s College |
| 27 SUNDAY | 5:30 PM | “From Rage to Reconciliation” Dinner Discussion  
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West Wing, Noble Dining Room, Saint Mary’s College |
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**Inside/Outside: Death Row in Words and Images**

This traveling exhibit will showcase creative works of inmates on death row from across the United States. Displays on the campuses of Saint Mary’s College, Notre Dame, and the St. Joseph County Public Library, Main Branch, South Bend.

These events are part of the **Spring ArtsFest: 2005 Traveling & Reconciliation**

Sponsored by the Saint Mary’s College Center for Social Concerns, Saint Mary’s College, Little Flower Catholic Church of South Bend, the Northeast Indiana and Notre Dame’s Center for Social Concerns, Michael Ross, Notre Dame, Jeanne Engstrom, University of Notre Dame, Department of Film, Television, and Theatre, Notre Dame’s Center for Social Concerns, and the Office of Campus Ministry, ND Amnesty International, ND Right to Life.
### Pension plan worries workers

Individual investment accounts could become mandatory in retirement plans

**Associated Press**

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger's proposal to overhaul the pension funds that 2.1 million California state employees have long depended on, by converting the funds into plans resembling 401(k)s, has teachers, firefighters and other workers suddenly worried about their retirement.

Under the proposal, which is aimed at curbing the cost of government employee unions, Schwarzenegger wants to replace the nation's two largest public pension systems with private retirement plans similar to the 401(k)s popular with businesses.

The proposal is designed in part to make up for a $2.1 billion shortfall the pension funds have suffered in a struggling stock market. Because of surplus returns on their investments as well as enhanced retirement benefits approved during good times, the state will be required to pay $2.6 billion this year into its largest pension fund, the California Public Employees Retirement System, and another $1 billion in the teacher retirement system.

Five years ago, the state's contribution was $160 million.

Schwarzenegger, who fumes that the pension system is "another government program without control," has begun a campaign for his proposal that could attract to $100 million in spending by business and unions and come before the voters in a special election this fall. His plan would force new government workers to individual investment accounts after 2007.

Unions, pension fund managers and their allies nationwide are fighting the idea, calling it a power grab designed to stifle the growing influence of the nation's public pension funds, which collectively manage about $3 trillion in assets. They warn of grim scenarios of ruined pension plans and impoverished future retirees cast cruelly to the fate of the financial markets.

While a poll conducted in early January showed more than 60 percent of voters supported Schwarzenegger's idea, that was before both sides started their campaigns. And opponents, including the state's largest teachers union, say they're not backing down.

"The greatest insult I feel about it is they're trying to balance the budget on the backs of California's working class," said 12-year San Francisco firefighter Tom O'Connor. "I don't think it's suddenly fair to blame the employees for having a decent pension."

Schwarzenegger is prepared for battle.

"There will be the unions and the special interests fighting us," he told a Republican party gathering Feb. 11. "Now we are going to the source, right there where all the evil is and we are going to fix this problem once and for all."

It's not yet known how much resemblance the plan will bear to President Bush's proposal to privatize Social Security, although both plans envision separate accounts for future retirees.

Many other states are also struggling with gaps in their pension funds due to the stock market's slump and higher payouts to current retirees.

If Schwarzenegger's plan becomes reality, California will join at least three states, West Virginia, Michigan and Nebraska, as well as the District of Columbia, that have made individual investment accounts mandatory for many of their public sector retirees. But Nebraska dumped its private system in 2003 after a study showed that employees invested too conservatively and typically received returns nearly 5 percent less than the state's professional investment managers.

### Delta loses Chinese travel rights

The announcements by American and Continental came after the Department of Transportation proposed granting them authority for the flights. The agency also awarded new cargo service to four carriers: FedEx Corp., Northwest Airlines Corp., Polar Air Cargo and UPS Inc.

The agency said it would issue a final decision on the awards after reviewing comments on its proposals.

The comments are due March 4.

China and the United States signed an aviation agreement last July to expand service between the two countries and drop most restrictions on each other's airlines. The pact increases the number of passenger and cargo flights allowed by Chinese and U.S. carriers in stages over the next six years, rising from the current 34 per week to 249. The deal is intended to ease shortages of seats that have prompted complaints from tourists and business travelers.

Other carriers that applied to become new entrants in the U.S.-China passenger market in either 2005 or 2006 were Delta, Hawaiian Airlines and North American Airlines. Evergreen International Airlines, Gemini Air Cargo and World Airways applied for the all-cargo flights.

American's chairwoman and chief executive, Gerald J. Arpey, expressed gratitude after the Fort Worth-based carrier was picked over the other carriers.
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cadets, who come from Valparaiso University, Indiana University South Bend (IUSB), Holy Cross College, Bethel College, St. Cloud State University, Saint Mary’s, Notre Dame, 20 to 25 percent are on full-tuition scholarship. The scholarships are awarded based on high school records and academic standing. Another quarter of Army ROTC students are given an 80 percent scholarship, and the remaining 50 percent receive half tuition scholarships, said Colonel Mike Zenk, department chair of aerospace studies.

Naval ROTC does not award partial scholarships — students are either on scholarship or they are not. These scholarship covers tuition, mandatory fees, a monthly stipend and $600 a year for books. There are currently five cadets in naval ROTC participating without a scholarship.

Army ROTC is unique in that all students in the program receive full scholarships to match the years in which they are receiving yearly tuition increases. This was not the case, however, in the late 1990s when the number of full tuition Army ROTC scholarships dropped, largely due to the college amounting scholarship the Department of the Army was willing to pay for Notre Dame and Saint Mary’s students at that time.

“The tuition rate at ND and SMC surpassed the amount of scholarship benefits that the Army was willing to pay for our students,” said Major Gary Masapollo, battalion executive officer of the Army ROTC program at Notre Dame. “We started to lose some of our prospects to other prestigious universities.”

But in 2002, the Department of the Army reinstated the full-tuition scholarship policy. Since then, numbers have been rising, Masapollo said.

While Notre Dame students are given full tuition, scholarships for women participating in Army ROTC from Saint Mary’s are capped at $20,000.

Normal Students

On top of early morning physical training sessions, special Navy, Army or Air Force classes each semester and weekly Drill Laboratories, the men and women in ROTC are normal students.

A common misperception is that students can major in ROTC, which is not the case, Masapollo said.

“You can major in anything and still be in ROTC,” said Zenk, who has cadets majoring in everything from psychology and English to political science and every type of engineering.

“Students are pretty much like all the other students on campus, all games, all sports. They live in the residence halls, eat in the South or North dining hall, attend football games and study like everyone else. We try to minimize their training requirements during the school year so they can be students first and foremost.”

ROTC, much like any college athletics, is an outside activity that requires time but does not exclude participants from the duties of being a student.

“You don’t come here on a whim,” Zenk said. “There is a seriousness to the students who participate in ROTC and [who] know that Notre Dame is academically challenging.”

Misperceptions

Many members of the ROTC community believe that there are other general misperceptions about the program that can be
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the College's nursing department or with nursing students out in the field.

Jane Mason, vice president for patient care at Our Lady of Peace Hospital in South Bend, expressed both admiration for the quality of the program and concern with the aging of current nurses in the United States.

"I think it is a quality program," Mason said. "And I think as a public person, and as a nurse who is hoping to retire someday, I have a vested interest in the nurses of tomorrow."

Community member Andrea Johnson recounted the care she received from Saint Mary's student nurses when she was hospitalized.

"They were efficient, they were kind," Johnson said. "It really helped me, and I was able to go back and tell my doctor, and he was able to say something about it."

When asked how the Saint Mary's nursing program compared to those at other colleges and universities, McGinn said the evaluators were still compiling information and it was too early to say.

"We have to go back and put it all together," she said. "Every school has similarities and every school has differences, so we're not really comparing schools. We are comparing the program to the guidelines. So I can't really answer your question."

There are currently 45 intended nursing majors in first year studies and 93 sophomore, junior and senior nursing majors. The College also offers an accelerated program of studies in the field for students who already have an undergraduate degree.

Professor Linda Zoeller chaired the selection committee, which spent a little over a year evaluating the Saint Mary's nursing program and writing the 160-page report.

In a separate interview, Zoeller said the nursing program at the College dates back to the 1930s and was one of the first to be asked to help the war effort during World War II.

The nursing program was shut down in the late 1950s but reopened in the fall of 1975.

Zoeller said the program was first accredited by the NLNAC in 1979 and has always received the highest accreditation length — eight years. She expects the length this time to be no different.

"I think we will be fine," Zoeller said. "We have an excellent program. One way you can tell how good a program is, is how its students are doing on the State Board (nursing exam)."

According to Zoeller, only one student in the accelerated nursing program at the College has failed the exams in 10 years. In the traditional four-year program, the lowest percentage of students to pass in the past five years was 92 percent.

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Break your heart of darkness

The horror, the horror. These famous final words from Joseph Conrad’s disturbing novella “Heart of Darkness” are some of the most misunderstood and misquoted in history. In light of multiple appalling human tragedies in contemporary Africa, history genocide in Rwanda, civil war in Congo and apartheid in South Africa to name a few, we have come to see the horror as synonymous with African barbarity. Yet, this mistake is not only a gross misreading of Conrad, but symptomatic of a naive, racist world vision.

Conrad’s novella is the story of a savvy businessman who, upon entering colonial Africa, turns into a cannibalistic, violent dictator who adorns his home with severed black heads. It is a horrific tale based on the savage colonialism that Conrad himself witnessed in the Congo region. On one level, it shows the monstrous capacity that lies within all of us, placed in certain circumstances, to enslave, exploit and kill. On another level, it is a narrative of the brutal structures of colonialism that continue to haunt the African continent.

I now find myself upon that very continent, braving stilling heat and less-than-reliable Internet cafes to write this column. I am in Kampala, Uganda, studying development studies and the Lugandan language at Makerere University. I am studying here through the School for International Training, an academic institution that believes in global exchange to build cross-cultural competencies.

When most of us think about Africa, we are restricted to the headlines and short clips on the news like the Michael Jackson trial. While it is important not to brood simply on the problems facing African communities, it is equally important to not ignore stories that occupy the rest of the world community, which perceive the rest of the world community, which perceives the rest of the world as the rest of the world.

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In just three weeks, I have found the people of Kampala to be a people of friendship, vitality, innovation and education. In terms of education, it has been amazing to hear how much Ugandans know about world affairs, especially those of the United States. One man explained the American electoral college system to me better than any Notre Dame political science professor. It is in opening to realize how much the rest of the world knows about and is impacted by the smallest decisions in Washington.

Uganda itself is a fascinating East African country, called the “pearl of Africa” by the late Winston Churchill. It is made up of more than 50 ethnic tribes, consolidated violently by their British colonizers at the end of the 19th century. The country has three main religious groups — Catholics, Muslims and Protestants. Uganda received independence in 1962, followed by two tragic decades of civil strife and authoritarian dictatorships. In the last two decades, Uganda, studying peace and economic growth in the south, while an ugly, deadly civil conflict has raged in the northern regions. Dealing with that conflict, massive poverty and constitutional issues, the people of Uganda face an uncertain future.

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Certainly much more could be written about the challenges and opportunities facing modern Africa, not to mention those facing each country and community. In forthcoming columns this semester, I intend to explore some of these challenges and opportunities, especially in the case of Uganda.

The challenge for all of us to overcome our preconceived and ignorant generalizations about people from different lands and backgrounds. Throughout much of the world, the United States is increasingly becoming isolated from the rest of the world community, which perceives the rest of the world community as the rest of the world.

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Editorial Cartoon

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February proves an embarrassment to the University

Lenten reflections

Father Richard Warner

Faith Point

Two important issues should be of special concern to us as a community at this time. The most important one is how we can celebrate the Lenten season as a community while we are challenged to be true disciples of Christ. The second is how we can celebrate the Incarnation and the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus during the time of the celebration of the Eucharist.

Each of the three great religious holidays of the Bible season is a time to celebrate central moments in Christian life. To celebrate Holy Thursday, the liturgy of the evening, the passion of Christ, and the Lord’s Supper, is essential to remember in the lives of Christians. To celebrate the Crucifixion, the death of Christ, is essential to remember in the lives of Christians. To celebrate the Resurrection, the life of Christ, is essential to remember in the lives of Christians.

What is important is that we make our best efforts to maintain our Lenten practices for the next four weeks. We should never become discouraged if we give in to weakness or circumstances. We should always be willing to work towards a better time for us and our neighbors.

Finally, just a few words on the Vagina Monologues and the Vagina Festival. I am concerned that our University is not a place of hospitality, and that the lack of seriousness in our actions will be seen as a blot on our university.

But the views expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

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Jen Chapin's strong voice enchants audience

Jen Chapin, the opening act in a two-week series of music, film and theatre based on promoting "Tolerance and Reconciliation," started off her portion of Spring ARTSfest with a bang.

Chapin, who can most accurately be described as a mix of Jewel, Norah Jones and Alanis Morissette with a cause, is an "Urban Jazz" artist from New York.

Notre Dame was one of the several stops on her tour of the Midwest. Chapin is a chairperson for the World Hunger Year (WHY), which seeks to rid the world of unnecessary hunger. Chapin uses her musical talent as an apparatus in the development of this program.

Appearing on stage in an all-black outfit, Chapin radiated a dark vibe at first sight, but her music proved to be different. Although initially reserved on stage, and folk music into the and layered hints of rock, soul

She mixed many musical genres to open her first set.

Chapin stopped at Notre Dame on her tour of the Midwest. Chairperson for the World Hunger Year, she tries to raise awareness regarding the unnecessary hunger of the world.

By CHRIS McGRAW
Scene Writer

Jen Chapin's strong voice enchants audience

Major Notre Dame choirs join voices

"A Joint Concert" will dedicate the Leighton Concert Hall

By LAUREN WENDEL
Scene Writer

One rarely has the opportunity to hear several accomplished musicians perform masterpieces of classical music, let alone to hear them perform them live on the same stage.

The Notre Dame department of music is providing the opportunity to do just that on Saturday in a "Joint Concert" at 8 p.m. in the Leighton Concert Hall. It will mark the official "big bang" event by Notre Dame ensembles and soloists to inaugurate the Debartolo Center for the Performing Arts.

The event will feature a wide range of performers including the Notre Dame Symphony Orchestra lead by Daniel Stone, the Notre Dame Chorale lead by Alex Blackow, the Notre Dame Glee Club, the Notre Dame Liturgical Choir lead by Gail Walton and the Women's Liturgical Choir. Three accomplished soloists, Carolyn Plummer (violin), Karen Buranskas (cello) and John Blacklow (piano), will also showcase their talents for the community.

The set will include some of the finest classical music composed from the First Viennese School. The orchestra, comprised of about 60 musicians from the student body, faculty and staff, will skillfully display the body and color of Mozart's "Die Zauberflöte" (Overture, Magic Flute). The orchestra will also provide background accomplishment for the three soloist musicians on Beethoven's "Triple Concerto," as well as for the collaborative effort of all the singing ensembles in Haydn's "Harmoniemesse.

These groups were brought together by the department of music to commemorate the opening of the new center for the Performing Arts with a gala event "using our own forces" according to music director Alex Blackow.

"I want to change the feeling of what Notre Dame and the surrounding area stands for in music — to show that people do not have to go to other places to listen to classical music performed on this scale," he said.

The Notre Dame Chorale has been preparing Haydn's material for the past two years, singing four out of the five movements in the fall and spring performances. The group is comprised of 55 specialize in choral works from the Renaissance to premodernism with the Glee Choir, the Notre Dame Liturgical Choir and Women's Liturgical Choir, there will be over 200 voices singing at once, lending to a powerful and overwhelmingly inspiring force of music that should not disappoint.

Haydn's last major work, "Harmoniemesse," highlights his range of options and strengths as a composer, particularly with the winds. The name of the work "Harmoniemesse" is derived directly from this choir of winds or "harmony." Haydn is often noted for his talent for surprises and striking effects of the composition that leave even the most knowledgeable musician stunned. Three graduate students and one undergraduate student from the music department will perform solos in this piece, directly illustrating the healthy state of music performance on campus.

The three accomplished soloists — Plummer, Buranskas and Blacklow — will prove to be one of many highlights of the performance. Performing Beethoven's powerful and simply sophisticated "Triple Concerto" simultaneously with the Symphony Orchestra will provide an intimate yet dramatic setting. The concert hall itself lends to creating a chamber arrangement but also gives the illusion of a large orchestra. A three dimensional sound will fill this performance in particular, which will emphasize the skill level of each musician and produce a powerful experience for the listening pleasure of the audience.

The combination of these concerto ensembles will provide an overall experience that thoroughly describes the experience perfectly saying, "once you experience it, you hear a new form of music, you want to repeat it and hear more."

Tickets are on sale at the Debartolo Center for the Performing Arts at $3 for students and $6 for general public.

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College Jazz Festival brings history to weekend

Collegiate Jazz Festival Schedule of Events

Tonight
LaFortune Ballroom
8 p.m.
University of Notre Dame Jazz Band II and Jazz Combo

Friday, Feb. 25
Washington Hall
6 p.m.
Oberlin College Small Jazz Ensemble
6:45 p.m.
Western Michigan University Combo
7:30 p.m.
University of Illinois Concert Jazz Band
8:15 p.m.
Oberlin College Jazz Ensemble
9 p.m.
Western Michigan University Jazz Orchestra
9:45 p.m.
Judges' Jam
Frank Catalano (saxophone)
André Hayward (trumpet)
Lynne Arriale (piano)
Jay Anderson (bass)
Steve Davis (drums)

Saturday, Feb. 26
Notre Dame Band Building
Free Clinic
2-3 p.m. — main rehearsal room
Washington Hall
6 p.m.
University of Notre Dame Jazz Band I
6:45 p.m.
Middle Tennessee State University Jazz Ensemble I
7:30 p.m.
Jacksonville State University Jazz Ensemble I
8:15 p.m.
University of Notre Dame Brass Band
9 p.m.
Carnegie Mellon University Jazz Ensemble
9:45 p.m.
Collegiate Jazz Festival Alumni Combo
Free for students; non-students $3 for 1 night, $5 for both nights

By MARIA SMITH
Scene Editor

There was a time when jazz signified a cutting edge of popular music.
Now the art seems to have aged and lost its popularity. The jazz greats, along with the New York Philharmonic, have been relegated to the respectable halls of the Delorto Center for the Performing Arts, where the current high rollers of popular music would never be invited.

The College Jazz Festival also has aged since its creation in 1959. But dropping into Washington Hall this weekend will prove to anyone while the music and the people who play it may age, neither will ever really be old.

This year's festival will, as always, feature a variety of talented groups. Ensembles sometimes come from as far as Texas, Alaska and Hawaii to perform in the oldest collegiate jazz festival in the United States. Other groups, such as the ensembles from Western Michigan University and the University of Illinois, may not have traveled far and may not sound exotic but have given fantastic performances for years.

Five respected musicians will also come in to judge the festival. Trumpet player Andre Hayward, saxophonist Frank Catalano, pianist Lynne Arriale, bassist Jay Anderson and drummer Steve Davis will perform in the traditional Judges' Jam on Friday night.

However, this year the festival also will welcome some of the original performers back with a performance by a quintet of Notre Dame alumni from the early days of the festival. Trumpet player Bruce Cosacchi, pianist Charlie Prawdzik and drummer Jack Carr all performed with the Notre Dame band and the bassist Haynes Kavanagh first performed in the third festival and trombone player Al Hermann first performed in the fourth.

Only Prawdzik has continued to make a living as a musician. Cosacchi served in the FBI for 25 years, Hermann is a professor of physics at the University of Colorado, Carr worked in advertising for 25 years and Kavanagh heads a law firm in New York City. Nevertheless, all have maintained their ties to music over the years.

Cosacchi and Carr have begun to play with numerous bands since their retirement. Kavanagh organizes parties and concerts with jazz all-stars.

Hermann, who has performed with Bill Clinton and Ella Fitzgerald, continues to perform at music festivals around the world.

For the musicians, and for Larry Dwyer, a Notre Dame music professor specializing in jazz, the festival evokes a lot of memories.

Dwyer, who performed in the festival from 1959-'63, remembers a time before the Judges' Jam, which closes the Friday session, was an official part of the festival and when the judges included greats like Quincy Jones, Henry Mancini and Wynton Marsalis.

"When I was a student, the jam existed, but it wasn't organized," Dwyer said. "People would go somewhere, like the basement of Christ the King church. There'd be this old pal and people would just play. Herbie Hancock played there, and students would sit in with the judges. Now we just build it into the program. It's really a fabulous part of what happens."

Carr remembers pulling Hermann out of his shell to perform in the last festival before their graduation in 1962.

"We were playing one school year, and we said, 'Oh Al, go and get your horn,'" Carr said. "He got his horn and brought it out. We didn't expect much from this kid who hadn't played since high school. It knocked us over the way he played. We wondered where he had been."

In its early days, Carr remembers the festival bringing in a lot of New Orleans-style Dixieland jazz. Nowadays groups cover the jazz spectrum and everyone knows what he will hear.

"We got some mellow jazz, jazz rock, straight ahead mainstream, some contemporary and avant garde jazz," Dwyer said. "The contrast and variety was amazing. If you don't like one group you're guaranteed to like the next."

The judges combo and the alumni combo might even surprise themselves, since neither group will ever have played as an ensemble. But in jazz, of course, that's the beauty of the game."

"You'll hear it for the first time when we do," Carr said. "But one of the tenets of jazz is freedom and improvisation, and whatever happens you play along with it. We'll pick some tunes, tick the key, and that's how you start."

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"Gimme some of your tots" Casserole
1 lb. hamburger
1 small onion, browned (optional)
1 can (10 oz./4 cups) cream of mushroom soup
1 pt. peas
1 1/2 cup cheddar cheese
1 tsp. butter
Layer ingredients in casseroles dish in the order as listed above. Bake at 325 degrees for approximately one hour, until cheese is bubbly.

Recipe courtesy of sweetbabymedia.com

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LINCOLN, Neb. — Joe McVay scored 17 of his 22 points in the second half and Alexi Maric added a career-high 15 to lead Nebraska to an upset of No. 4 Oklahoma State.

McVay hit a 3-pointer and Corey Simms hit a jumper for the Huskers' biggest lead, 55-44. Nebraska played to the halftime tie despite going 6:35 without a field goal. The Huskers capitalized on 12 turnovers in the first half, converting them to 17 points. Two 3s by Lucas and another by guard Scott Lucas keyed a 12-0 run that gave the Huskers an 18-7 lead. But the Huskers' inside scoring dried up and they were 5-of-16 from the field in the second half.

"We just didn't make 3s," Huskers' guard David McCray said. "We just didn't make 3s." The Huskers finished 5-of-24 from the field and 2-of-14 from the arc. "We just didn't get excited!!!"

Crawford added a career-high 15 to lead the Huskers. Seven points, two in the second half, was held to 12 points for Nebraska's leading scorer, was held to 12 points for Oklahoma State.

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Seattle signs Hasselback, GM Ferguson steps down

Quarterback agrees to six-year, $49.4 million deal with the Seahawks

Associated Press

KIRKLAND, Wash. — The Seattle Seahawks have signed quarterback Matt Hasselbeck to a six-year deal and have named running back Shaun Alexander as their franchise player on Tuesday, ensuring that their three top offensive players are under their control.

In addition, general manager Bob Ferguson is resigned as part of an executive housecleaning.

The contract was set Sunday night, and Hasselbeck signed the $49.4 million deal — including a $16 million signing bonus and incentives — at the team headquarters on Tuesday.

Hasselbeck will make $28.25 million in his first three years of play under the new contract.

"We weren't going to let Matt go," said Seahawks CEO Tod Leiweke. "This guy had to come back for us to be effective." 

The franchise designation for Alexander — who came within one yard of the NFL rushing title last season — will prevent him from becoming a free agent, grant him a one-year contract worth approximately $6.3 million and give the team until March 16 to try to reach a long-term deal.

Last week, the Seahawks signed all-pro offensive tackle Walter Jones to a seven-year, $52.5 million deal.

"We have a lot of quality people in this organization," Hasselbeck said.

"It's exciting to be back with those people."


Hasselbeck was traded to Seattle from Green Bay for draft picks before the 2001 season. He was Brett Favre's backup for two years with the Packers.

Hasselbeck said leaving the Seahawks only crossed his mind briefly.

"Imagining what it would be like, it was really a disappointing thing to think about, just because of how much work we've put into this here in Seattle," Hasselbeck said.

Alexander rushed for a team record 1,496 yards and 20 TDs.

Seattle could also trade the Pro Bowl running back, who publicly expressed his interest in testing the free agent market.

Leiweke said he had not yet talked with Alexander about the franchise designation.

After a 3-0 start that seemed to validate preseason forecasts of a Super Bowl run, the Seahawks lost several tough games and finished 9-7 last season, good enough to win the weak NFC West. They lost to St. Louis in the first round of the playoffs.

Owner Paul Allen fired Bob Whitsett, the team's president of football operations, last month, saying he wanted to bring in someone with a deep football background.

Sea-hawks vice president Ted Thompson was hired to be Green Bay's general manager that same day. Ferguson said that he would retain the position as general manager through the April draft.

He has spent three decades in the NFL, including seven with the Cardinals, where he was hired as general manager in 1999.

He was fired by Arizona in January 2003, after the Cardinals finished with a 5-11 record, losing nine of their last 10 games.

Ferguson's greatest success came in Buffalo, where he was director of player personnel during the 1990s, when the Bills went to four Super Bowls.

Quarterback agrees to six-year, $49.4 million deal with the Seahawks
ND WOMEN’S GOLF

Irish hoping to build on success, confidence

Team disappointed by 13th place finish in the Central District Classic, looking ahead

By CHRIS KHOREY Sports Writer

To kick off the spring season, Notre Dame traveled to Parrish, Fla., for the Central District Classic. The Irish had high hopes going into the tournament, but finished 13th out of 15 teams.

Junior Katie Brophy said the team is determined to improve its showing in future tournaments.

“We went into this tournament with the wrong attitude,” she said. “We didn’t have the confidence we’ve had in prior tournaments or that we hope to have in tournaments to come.”

Irish coach Debby King said the team had a meeting after the tournament and what they needed to do to improve.

“We talked about it at dinner,” she said. “It’s just a matter of being confident in their heads.”

“I didn’t see anything wrong with their swings. It was all between the ears.”

The Irish, ranked 31st by Golfstat.com, were in 12th place after two rounds, but shot 33 over par in the third and final round to drop behind Nebraska and into 13th with a team score of 939.

Missouri, Golfstat.com’s 31st ranked team, won the tournament, edging No. 20 Arkansas by two strokes 879 to 881. No. 14 Texas Tech and Northwestern rounded out the top five.

Sophomore Stacie Brown tied for first overall with even par scores of 216.

At the bottom of the leaderboard, Indiana finished 15th and last with a 967. Kansas State came in at 14th, just three shots behind the Irish at 942.

Texas A&M, Ohio State, Michigan State, SMU, Texas Tech and Northwestern rounded out the top 10.

The Irish had high hopes going into the tournament and knows what they need to do to improve.

“We’ve had the confidence we’ve had in our tournaments to come,” he said. “We’re really excited about the [St. Croix Classic],” Brophy said. “We’re ready to go there and win. Plus it’s nice to get out of the cold.”

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Bonds arrives at spring training

Associated Press

SCOTTSDALE, Ariz. — Barry Bonds angrily sidestepped questions about his role in baseball's steroid scandal upon his arrival at spring training Tuesday, pronouncing himself weary but ready to begin his pursuit of Hank Aaron's home run record.

In the 40-year-old Bonds' first public comments since his grand jury testimony was leaked to the San Francisco Chronicle and reported in December, he had nothing to say about it, citing legal constraints. But he had harsh words for the media and fans still consumed by the circumstances of his record-setting home run binge.

"You guys are like re-running stories," Bonds said to the huge group of reporters in attendance. "This is old stuff. It's like watching 'Sanford and Son.' It's almost comical, basically.

"The San Francisco Giants slugger, who has 703 homers, also is on the verge of catching Babe Ruth, who is second on baseball's career list with 714. Aaron is first with 755."

"The sad part, I just want to go out there and play baseball," Bonds said. "I don't even care about the record part so much. The best is whatever you get out of yourself. That's all I'm trying to do."

According to the San Francisco Chronicle, Bonds testified to the grand jury in December 2003 that he used a clear substance and a cream given to him by a trainer who was indicted in a steroid-distribution ring, but said he didn't know if they were steroids. Prosecutors believe the substances were two steroids at the center of the BALCO scandal.

Bonds repeatedly refused to speak directly about it, but he castigated everyone from the media to Jose Canseco, whose recently released book described a rampant culture of steroid abuse in baseball.

"I don't know Canseco, besides hell and goodbye. I don't put any weight into what he says," Bonds said. "Mark McGwire was a big boy in college. To me, Canseco, you've got to come with a whole lot more... It's to make a buck, that's all it is.

"I don't know Jose. I was better than Jose then, and I've been better than him his whole career. If he wants to go make money, go ahead. ... For somebody who brags about what he did, I don't see any of your records."

In Brief

Chargers release WR Dwight

SAN DIEGO — The San Diego Chargers released receiver-returner Tim Dwight on Tuesday after four injury-marred seasons.

Dwight was slowed last season by toe and hamstring injuries, and sustained a collapsed lung in both the 2001 and 2003 seasons.

Dwight returned 50 kickoffs last season for a 24.3-yard average and one touchdown on an 87-yard return against the New York Jets. He caught just two passes, including one for a 23-yard touchdown. He started 19 games with the Chargers, caught 91 passes and scored seven touchdowns — three receiving, two rushing, one kickoff return and one punt return.

Dwight was obtained the day before the 2001 draft in a deal that sent the No. 1 pick to the Atlanta Falcons. The Falcons used the pick on Michael Vick, and the Chargers used the fifth pick overall on LaDainian Tomlinson.

Colorado suspends four men's basketball players

BOULDER, Colorado — Four players, including two starters, for the Colorado men's basketball team have been suspended for Tuesday's Big 12 Conference contest at Missouri, coach Ricardo Patten announced.

The four players, who will not accompany the team on the trip to Columbia, violated the same rule, which Patten stated is strictly internal to the team and involved to outside agencies.

"I learned Saturday evening that the four had violated team rules prior to the Texas A&M game," said Patten of the Buffaloes' 92-77 setback to the Aggies, their second loss in their last three games.

Chris Copeland, the club's second-leading scorer at 12.6 points per game, and Marcus Farris, the team leader in assists and third-leading scorer at 11.9, were among the players suspended.

Along with Martane Freeman and Julius Ashby, all four players will be reinstated for Saturday's contest against Kansas State.

Retired NFL punter Roy dies

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Former punter Reggie Roly, a 16-year NFL veteran and three-time Pro Bowl selection, died Tuesday after being found unconscious at home by his wife. He was 43.

Melona Roly found her husband with no pulse. Paramedics tried to resuscitate him at home and in the ambulance, but he was pronounced dead in the emergency room at St. Thomas Hospital, according to a statement released by the family.

The cause of death is unknown, the statement said.

Roy was a 15th-round pick in 1983 out of Iowa by the Miami Dolphins, where he played from 1983-92. He also played for the Washington Redskins, Tampa Bay Buccaneers, Houston/Tennessee Oilers and San Francisco 49ers.

Baseball America NCAA Top 20

1. Texas 7-6
2. Louisiana State 7-5
3. Texas 11-0
4. Cal State Fullerton 11-1
5. South Carolina 9-0
6. Georgia 10-1
7. Miami 8-2
8. Baylor 9-2
9. Arizona 9-1
10. North Carolina 4-0
11. Texas A&M 5-2
12. Florida 5-2
13. Stanford 7-5
14. Rice 7-1
15. Mississippi 3-1
16. Vanderbilt 2-8
17. Georgia Tech 5-1
18. UC Irvine 6-2
19. Washington 1-4
20. NOTRE DAME 3-1

around the dial

Men's College Basketball

Duke at Georgia Tech, 7 p.m., ESPN
Boston College at Villanova, 7:30 p.m., ESPN2

NBA

Houston at San Antonio, 9 p.m., ESPN

Compiled from the Observer's wire services

Wednesday, February 23, 2005
CRISIS IN DARFUR

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3:30 P.M.
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Doubles
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together," Irish coach Jay Louderback said. "It's been great service do what we do,"
Last season, the twins finished with a record of 22-17 to become the first all-freshman doubles team from any school since 1998 to earn a spot in the NCAA Doubles Championship.
This season, the Thompsons began the year at No. 7 in the preseason ITA rankings, released in February. They finished the fall season with an 8-2 record and became the first Irish team to reach the title match of a collegiate grand-slam event and the only team to reach the semi-finals in the only three grand-slam events held in the All-Americans (collegiate grand-slam) event last year. The All-Americans (collegiate grand-slam) was the turning point for this season, Catrina Thompson said. "We beat the No. 1 team there, and that helped us feel like we could compete against the top teams.
"It has been great for our program to have them in doubles because it helps our other doubles teams practice harder and it makes them better.
Jay Louderback
Irish coach

Faithpoint

What's up?

The Death Penalty
10-11 AM at Legends
with Fr. John Gilmartin (Spiritual Advisor to Michael Ross, CT Death Row Inmate) and Fr. Dan Parrish, C.S.C (Office of Campus Ministry, Rector of Zahm Hall)

Friday

"Notre Dame Encounter # 6S (Basilica)
Solemn Mass of the Blessed Virgin Mary (9 AM, Alumni Chapel)
Women's Retreat (2:05-206, Deake)

Saturday

"Vigil Mass (5 PM, Basilica)" "Sermonet Mass of the Blessed Virgin Mary (9 AM, Alumni Chapel)

Sunday

"10 AM Mass (Basilica)" "11:15 AM Mass (Basilica)"
"Spanish Mass (7-8 PM, Basilica)"
"Low School Mass (9 PM, Low School Chapel)"
"MEA Mass (7 PM, Mendoza Faculty Lounge)"
"United States: Meditation (Buddhist Prayer Tradition)"
"(7 PM, Meditation Room, CoMo)"
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R.A.'s Prayer

Good and Gracious God, I come before you to celebrate the legacy of women and men who came before me, who imagined this place and faithful faculty and staff who give it life. I remember all those whose work and witness have brought me to this moment. And I know that I am not alone.
I come before you to celebrate the privilege of serving under the mantle of Our Lady. I come thanking you for the rich and rugged stories of their lives. I recall the many blessed and trying encounters that punctuated this day and night. But I know that I am not alone.
I come before you with humble recognition that I do not have all the answers, and yet, I come with confidence that you will empower me through community to be better than I thought I could be. I recognize your grace that transforms me into the person you have called me to be. And I know that I am not alone.
Through the watchful care and intercession of Notre Dame, Our Mother, send your Spirit...that I might see you in this ministry, that I might be in this ministry, that I might not ever be alone.
Heather Rakocy

Catholic Q&A

Why do Catholics Fast & Abstain from Meat During Lent?

...was particularly appropriate given the early Christians' usage of the Greek word for fish as an acronym for "Jesus Christ, Son of God, Savior." Fast and abstinance have a seemingly natural home in Lent, a season already focused on penance, inward reflection, and penance. Throughout the history of the Church, however, the norms of fast and abstinance have gone through a number of changes. Prior to the 1960s, Catholics abstained from meat on all Fridays throughout the year, and fasted each day of Lent except Sunday. In 1966, these require-
ments were reduced to abstinence on all Fridays of Lent and fasting on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. However, Friday abstinence (or some form of penance or self-denial) throughout the year is still encouraged.
Through our Lenten practices of fasting and abstinance, the Catholic Church offers a regular opportunity to deny ourselves, so that we might better mold our lives after the life of Jesus.
Send your questions to perkins.26@nd.edu
"The individual performances were outstanding. Sheeva Parbhu deserves a lot of credit, beating an undefeated player."

Bobby Bayliss
Irish coach

"To our credit we were able to regroup a little bit in singles and eek out a very close college tennis match," he said.

"Michigan State played an inspired match and played very well... I'm real proud of the effort our guys made."

Bobby Bayliss
Irish coach

back as Formanczyk defeated D'Amico in the top spot with a 7-6(5), 6-1 score. The usually dependable Irackli Ackvlediani went down at No. 5, losing 6-4, 7-6(0). By then, it all came down to Buchanan facing Brian Compton in the day's final match. "At that point we were just going into the third set (at No. 6)," Bayliss said. "Patrick played the entire third set knowing the outcome of the match team rested solely on his not-so-big shoulders... he played with a lot of heart today."

Buchanan had his serve broken in the next-to-last point of the match, putting the outcome in jeopardy. But Bayliss never wavered in his belief in the third-year player."It takes a lot of guts to come back from stumbling like that, and he played maybe the best point of the match on the next point," Bayliss said.

Saturday,
NO. 24 NOTRE DAME 4,
NO. 46 MICHIGAN STATE 3

SINGLES
No. 1: Andrew Formanczyk (MSU) d. Brent D'Amico (ND) 7-6(5), 6-1.
No. 3: No. 100 Barry King (ND) d. Nick Rinks (MSU) 7-6(4), 6-3.
No. 4: Sheeva Parbhu (ND) d. Adam Monich (MSU) 6-1, 6-0.
No. 5: Josee McMillans (MSU) d. Irackli Ackvlediani (ND) 6-7(4), 7-6(5).
No. 6: Patrick Buchanan (ND) d. Brian Compton (MSU) 6-2, 7-5, 7-6(5).

DOUBLES
No. 1: No. 26 Formanczyk/Rinks (MSU) d. D'Amico/Irackli 6-4, 6-4.
No. 2: Compton/Monich (MSU) d. Parbhu/Langenkamp (ND) 8-5.
No. 3: Flowers/Marshall (MSU) d. King/Buchanan (ND) 6-3.

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Thirsty for knowledge? Say when.
Powerhouse Calvin crushes Saint Mary’s, 78-42

By KEN FOWLER
Sports Writer

Thursday, February 2, 2005

Powerhouse Calvin crushed Saint Mary’s, 78-42.

Saint Mary’s ended Calvin’s season with a 5-11 record.

For the Belles, there will be no next game this season.

In the team’s final contest, Saint
Mary’s did not play up to par.

The Belles lost one of seven 3-point attempts in Bridget Boyce jumper early in the first half and scored 22 percent (11-for-50) on the night.

Playing against a Calvin team that shoots over 44 percent on the season, that is a recipe for disaster.

The Belles, however, kept the game close at the outset with aggressive defense.

Bridget Boyce scored five of Saint Mary’s first seven points and finished with 12 on 5-for-15 shooting on the night.

In addition, Saint Mary’s forced seven Knight turnovers in the first half, and Calvin belles contained Calvin’s standout duo of Donald and Lisa Winkle.

Then the two adjusted to Saint Mary’s double-teaming defense and began passing to the open shooter. This was when the Knights broke the game open.

In a stretch of just five minutes during the 19-2 run, Calvin accumulated four assists and in the process softened up the Belles defense so the Knights could penetrate the visiting team’s defensive scheme.

That softening of the Belles zone was noticeable nowhere more than on the perimeter.

Calvin hit 6-of-14 three-pointers (43 percent).

By halftime, the Knights had staked out a 37-24 lead. That lead would only grow in the final 20 minutes, as Calvin began the second half with a 12-4 run.

For the Knights, the sister tandem of Sarah and Lisa Winkle combined for 22 points and 16 rebounds. Lisa Winkle led with 16 points, and each grabbed eight rebounds.

As for the Belles, Katie Boyce scored eight in her last game.

The 2003-04 MIAA Defensive Player of the Year led all Saint Mary’s seniors in scoring. Maureen Fend scored five, and Emily Croechbaum added two of her own.

One of the few bright spots for the Belles was their free-throw shooting.

Saint Mary’s hit 19 of 22 free throw attempts.

In the end, the Belles finished the season 11-5 and 6-11 in the MIAA.

Saint Mary’s will return to starters next season.

CALVIN 78, SAINT MARY’S 42
at the CALVIN FIELDHOUSE

CALVIN’S (20-4, 14-2)

11. Boyce 8-10 0-0 16, Nunnings 2-5 0-0 4, Mclonald 5-10 0-0 20, Osninga 2-7 0-0 4, Ziegler 3-8 0-0 7, Boonstra 0-0 0-0 0, Prorok 2-8 0-0 4, Larson 2-5 0-0 4, Rejron 1-2 0-0 2, Holman 1-1 0-0 2, Winkle 1-1 0-0 2.

BeloW 1-2 0-0 2.

SAINT MARY’S (14-15, 6-11)

11. Boyce 5-15 1-2 11, Bird 1-7 1-2 4, Osninga 3-7 0-0 6, Ziegler 3-8 0-0 6, Winkle 4-7 0-0 8, K. Boyce 2-5 0-0 4, Prorok 2-3 0-0 4, Larson 2-6 0-0 4, Rejron 1-2 0-0 2, Holman 1-1 0-0 2, Winkle 1-1 0-0 2.

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3-point goals: SMC 1-7 Boyce 1-4, Osninga 0-1, K. Boyce 0-2, Calvin 6-15 (McDonald 2-5, Osninga 1-3, Ziegler 1-4, Boonstra 1-1, Rejron 1-1), Prorok 0-3.

Rebounds: Saint Mary’s 25 (Mahan 7, Fend 6, Winkle 5, Assists: Saint Mary’s 5 (Boyce 1, Boyce 1, Trager 1, K. Boyce 1), Calvin 42 (McDonald 22, Mclain 2, 19). Total fouls: Saint Mary’s 14, Calvin 18.

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—John Philip Sousa

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Rest

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take the off week too lightly. "It's pretty nice having a couple days off, but we don't want to get too relaxed because we know we can get out of shape pretty easily," the senior said. "We have still quite a few games to go hopefully, so we can't sit back on our heels."

Notre Dame's string of games began with Northern Illinois and saw the team face Rutgers twice and Purdue and Villanova once.

Notre Dame has just two regular season game remaining — West Virginia at home Saturday and a March 1 date against Seton Hall. Then the Irish have the Big East tournament during spring break before the NCAA Tournament begins March 19.

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Combine

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In 2004, Collins played a backup role at a deep tight end position, catching six passes for 67 yards.

Goolsby played in 47 games for Notre Dame, starting 25 games at linebacker. The Joliet, Ill. native led Notre Dame with 97 tackles and two interceptions in 2004 after missing the 2003 season due to a broken collarbone.

Grant, who split time with freshman Darius Walker at tailback, and a March 1 date against Seton Hall. Then the Irish have the Big East tournament during spring break before the NCAA Tournament begins March 19.

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Irish back Randy Kinder. Grant was a starter for most of the past three seasons, rushing for over 100 yards five times. The Nyack, N.Y. native is one of only seven players in school history to rush for more than 1,000 yards in a season (1,085 in 2002). Eight Notre Dame players were invited to the combine last week. Five of those players remain on NFL rosters. The five players are defensive tackle Darrell Campbell (Chicago), strong safety Glenn Earl (Houston), running back Julius Jones (Cowboys), offensive tackle Jim Mollinaro (Washington) and linebacker Courtney Watson (New Orleans).

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CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY: Stellan Skarsgård, 54; John McEnroe, 56; Scott Bairstow, 35; James Spader, 43. Happy Birthday! This is the year for you to make your moves and get in the groove. You will have a spate of luck that will help you attract an interest to whatever you pursue. You don't have to go it alone this year but do have to share your constructive ideas, thoughts and intentions. Your numbers are 4, 19, 28, 33, 41 ARIES (March 21-April 19): A deal can be made, but before signing make sure you are getting everything you want and that you aren't giving too much away in return. Someone must you will be able to help you in the future. A partnership will turn out better than you imagined. Taurus (April 20-May 20): Money matters will stand out today. You can make your life easier financially by making the right moves. Don't wait a year before you start. You must create your own opportunities if you want to get ahead or make changes that will bring long-term riches. Gemini (May 21-June 20): Expect a day of love, romance and meeting new people with his or her star. You will be blessed with fabulous ideas and the ability to take advantage of all the luck that will result in an experience that teaches you something very valuable. Cancer (June 21-July 22): Take a moment to make the much-needed changes at home. Once you have taken this task out of the way, you will find the time to pursue something new. Money or legal matters should be taken care of today. The results you get will be in your favor.

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By DAN TAPETILLO
Sports Writer

For the first time in the program's history, the Irish have claimed the No. 1 national ranking in women's doubles. Sophomores Catrina and Christian Thompson overtook the former No. 1 doubles team of Cristelle Grier and Audra Cohen from Northwestern after the Wildcats duo lost twice this month, dropping them to No. 2 in the nation. "I knew it was going to be tough to surpass the No. 1 team," Christian Thompson said. "But I knew we had to go out to every match with confidence in order to have a great season." The Thompsons were last ranked No. 2 in the Intercollegiate Tennis Association national doubles rankings, but have gone 8-0 this spring to improve to 16-2 on the season. The Thompsons hold an 11-1 record against nationally-ranked teams, including six victories against top-15 opponents. "They've worked so hard for so long, and they have done a great job of communicating." Sheeva Parbhu, left, and Eric Langenkamp play doubles Feb. 15 against Northwestern.

By JOE HETTLE
Sports Writer

Finally, the Irish can take a deep breath. After having no more than three straight days without a game — and that doesn't include traveling time — Notre Dame is in the middle of a much-deserved week off. The Irish (23-4) have played 16 games in the last 52 days, dating back to a Dec. 30 victory against Northern Illinois, with half those games on the road and seven against ranked opponents. Notre Dame holds a 7-3 record for the entire season against top-25 opponents. The grueling regular season schedule has worn on the team, tri-captain Teresa Burton said, but she doesn't think the Irish will feel the pressure is immeasurable. Patrick Buchanan rose to the occasion Tuesday night in East Lansing, Mich., coming through in the final set of the final match to secure a 4-3 victory for the No. 23 Irish over No. 46 Michigan State. "It came down to the last guys on the court and it was a very dramatic finish," Irish coach Bobby Bayliss said.

Calvin 78, Saint Mary's 42

The Knights ended the Belles' season in the first round of the MIAA tournament.

By PAT LEONARD
Associate Sports Editor

Four former Notre Dame football players have been invited to the 2005 National Football League Combine that starts today at the RCA Dome in Indianapolis. Tight end Jerome Collins, linebacker Mike Goolsby, running back Ryan Grant and defensive end Justin Tuck all will participate in the weeklong tryouts, ending March 1.

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By SCOTT FOLEY
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