AIDS group offers Quilt panel meetings

By SARAH DORAN
Associate News Editor

In preparation for the upcoming campus display of The NAMES Project AIDS Memorial Quilt, AIDS Ministries/AIDS Assist of South Bend is inviting campus players of The AIDS Memorial Quilt, which has over 30,000 panels.

A portion of AIDS Memorial Quilt — about 300 panels — will be on display in Stepan Center February 25 through 27. The NAMES Project Foundation, which owns the AIDS Memorial Quilt, encourages AIDS Ministries/AIDS Assist members to make a panel and display it in their community. The AIDS Memorial Quilt panel meetings are to be added to the AIDS Ministries/AIDS Assist volunteer meeting schedule.

AIDS Ministries/AIDS Assist volunteer Ellene Kennedy says that the AIDS Memorial Quilt panel meeting is a way for AIDS Ministries/AIDS Assist volunteers to provide leadership in their communities. "The AIDS Memorial Quilt is available for Social Concerns, and the NAMES Project the leaders' gathering after a morning of negotiations, then resumed negotiating in the evening.

"We are on our way to bypass all the obstacles which had been raised in the last weeks ... to have very soon, very soon the final agreement to start directly the implementation of the peace agreements," Arafat told the World Press Corporation February 27.

KHUDA, South Africa

The African National Congress offered Sunday to let pro-apartheid whites vote for their own homeland — but a black government would retain power to write the results.

ANC President Nelson Mandela appealed to militant whites to accept the offer and aver bloodshed. But the right-wing Afrikaner Volkfront angrily rejected the proposal, saying it would establish its own homeland by force if necessary to avoid living under black rule.

That militant stance could fuel popular discontent. Several thousand black residents of the Cape Town township of Khayelitsha marched Sunday to the homes of pro-apartheid whites and vowed to start direct action against them.

By JOHN LUCAS
Associate News Editor

CAMPUS RESPONSE TO AIDS

At the forefront of the battle to educate young adults are AIDS education programs and health clinics at colleges and universities across the nation. Since the CDC supports only a few programs at the college level, the institutions must make their own choices about how to best educate students about condom use.

Serving a community of nearly 50,000 undergraduate and graduate students, the University of Minnesota's health education program is the nation's largest, and a model for others across the country. "Since we know that 75 percent of our population is sexually active, we'll spend every dollar we get to increase the level of AIDS education here," said David Golden, University of Minnesota's director of health education.

Several aspects of Minnesota's program include confidential AIDS testing, a student task force, and condom education and distribution. Golden estimated that Minnesota distributed over 40,000 condoms last year alone.

"We give them (condoms) to RA's to give out, we give them to houses, we even put them in candy machines — we dump them all over the place," he said. "After we put them in the machines, we did not receive one letter or call of complaint. That was beyond even my expectation."

Although Minnesota and other public institutions are able to distribute and educate students about condoms, Shepard said she would like to see more schools with religious affiliation do the same.

"Condom education, used in a balanced approach, with education about abstinence should not be contrary to monogamy," she said. "There's really more middle ground here than you would believe. All we want to do is help the students get the facts and make a scientific decision."

Beating Catholic rhetoric should not mean giving in, Shepard said. "I think the real issue is the right to make your own choices."

"We're able to do a number of different things here, from a number of different angles," she said.

The Boston College program includes pamphlets, photo displays, AIDS education posters and even the NAMES project...
Zhirinovsky: A sequel to skip

Not so long ago, our world was in a similar situation as it is today. A once powerful country had been brought to its knees, and a seemingly ineffective government was in charge of it. There was rampant inflation and many dissatisfied people. In this mess, a small party had steadily climbed to the top of the party's agenda and established itself in the major house of the government.

The weak government was then turned over to that party's leader, who promised a new age of prosperity and increased standing in the world. What is the country? Germany. That time was yesterday, sixty-one years ago. That country was Germany. That man was Adolf Hitler.

How could such a man, come to power? He had been pushing his anti-Semitic message ever since his book, Mein Kampf, was published. He then spread the strengthening of Germany — a return to the days of the Roman Empire.

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Earlier this week, the anniversary of the siege of Leningrad was observed. A estimated 25 million people died in the Soviet Union during World War II. One would think that if someone was to insist that this never happened again, it would be the Russians. We find the opposite.

Recently, Vladimir Zhirinovsky, leader of the "Liberal Democrats," and his party acquired andSuddenly in the middle of the chamber, his party's presence in such numbers could put the current government in a vulnerable position. No way would the major house of the government ever be overturned. Nonetheless, in Europe, this is happening.

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Mrs. Doubtfire" narrowly edged "Philadelphia" at the box office this weekend, according to box office estimates Sunday. Mrs. Doubtfire," starring Robin Williams, earned about $8 million according to estimates released before the Super Bowl, which traditional box office analysts usually avoid. Some figures were to be released Monday. "Grumpy Old Men," pairing Walter Matthau and Jack Lemmon, was third with $3 million. The movie was released last month, and the new thriller "Blind" took in $2.5 million. "Iron Will" was seventh with $2.9 million, followed closely by "The Pelican Brief" with $2.8 million. "Shining Hearts" and "Tomstone" rounded out the top 10 with $2.4 million and $2.3 million, respectively.

Four Taco Bell employees shot

CLARKSVILLE, Tenn.

Four employees of a Taco Bell restaurant were found shot to death Sunday in an apparent robbery. The em­ployees weren't believed to be serious, Padilla said. The restaurant's drive-through window closed at 2 a.m. last night and was reopened at 5 a.m.

Former Supremes singer Mary Wilson was injured and her 14-year-old son was killed when the Jeep she was driving hit a freeway median and overturned, authorities said. The restaurant safe had been blown open and 20 or more spent shells from two .44 magnum guns had been found.

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The United States, with 95 girls for every 100 boys, ranks sixth, following Finland, Norway and Belgium.

Among those near the top, rated "very good," are some less-developed countries, including Cuba and Mongolia. A few Asian, African and Eastern countries are in the "good" category, including the Philippines, Kenya and Botswana.

Marcy Dinius
Trial for accused leader of Hamas group begins

By ALLYN FISHER
Associated Press

JERUSALEM

An Arab-American accused of being a key organizer for the military arm of the militant Islamic Hamas movement went on trial Sunday behind closed doors.

Mohammed Salah, a 39-year-old used-car dealer from Chicago, was arrested a year ago while visiting the occupied West Bank and indicted in October.

The charges against him were never made public, but Israeli radio reported at the time that Salah was accused of commanding Hamas' armed underground.

The army denied reporters entry to Sunday's proceedings at the Ramallah military court, just north of Jerusalem, saying it was a preliminary hearing and such sessions are usually held in secret.

But Salah's attorney, Avigdor Feldman said the court was closed because a member of the Shin Bet security service who was testifying said he feared being exposed. "The preliminary hearings are over, the trial has started," Feldman told The Associated Press outside the courtroom.

Salah's family was also denied access to the courtroom, although an observer from the U.S. Consulate in Jerusalem was allowed in, Feldman said.

Consulate spokeswoman Lea Perez said she would not comment on the trial while it was in progress.

Israel has accused Salah of giving $60,000 to Hamas and claimed another $100,000 was found in his Jerusalem hotel room when he was arrested. He has also been accused of giving $96,000 to Hamas to establish an armed military force in August 1992.

Salah, who has not lived in the West Bank for more than 20 years, has denied the allegations. He has said his visit last year was to distribute charity from Palestinian-Americans.

Feldman said Sunday's proceedings focused on Salah's confession, which Feldman said was extracted through duress and false promises.

CAMPUS BRIEF

University President Father Edward Malloy will travel to Washington, D.C. tomorrow evening to offer the pre dinner invocation at the Democratic Governor's Association (DGA) dinner. President Clinton will serve as the dinner's guest of honor and featured speaker.

Individually, three dorms will be the hosts for the dinner. CAMPUS BRIEF will hold four events this year, each in alphabetical order:

- "Irish In light Indiana," according to Malloy.
- "The eight teams with the best records after the third preliminary rounds will advance to the Quaterfinal Round, heldon Tuesday, Feb. 15. Everyone is encouraged to attend to support their dorm and watch some of Notre Dame's best debaters battle each other."
- "Anglican church Sunday, ANC and Hottentots."
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More bodies found in serial killer case

By SAHM VENTER
Associated Press

MITCHELLS PLAIN

Hundreds of mourners offered flowers and lit candles in church Sunday for the young victims of a serial killer, and police were criticized for acting slowly because the victims were not white.

Since 1986, police have linked the so-called Station Strangler to the murders of at least 19 young boys, all from Mitchell's Plain.

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Kevkorian rallies to gain support for amendment

By JULIA PRODIS
Associated Press

LIVONIA, Michigan
Standing like a preacher on a candelabrum, flowery pulpit, Dr. Jack Kevorkian began a petition drive to legalize assisted suicide by urging about 700 Sunday churchgoers to join his crusade.

Kevorkian needs more than 250,000 signatures to place a constitutional amendment on the November ballot.

In a speech between services at St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, Kevorkian spoke of the "right not to suffer," and damned the "tyrants" who passed Michigan's law banning assisted suicide.

"It's almost an insult to put this on the ballot. It's an insult to human reason. Why? Because that right exists. We have to remind ourselves that right exists," said Kevorkian, who has been present at the deaths of 20 people since 1990.

The enthusiastic audience gave several standing ovations as Kevorkian, a 65-year-old retired pathologist, spoke in front of a tall wooden crucifix and an open Bible.

Two people holding Bibles over their heads briefly interrupted the program as one yelled, "This church has been cursed today!"

"As a Christian, I think it's a disgrace that he stood in front of the crucifix," Dave Reuschle of Plymouth said after the rally.

But others said Kevorkian's presence showed the church's open-mindedness. Kevorkian was invited to speak by Pastor Thomas Egglebeen, who said the belief of many Christians that suicide is a mortal sin is a fallacy born of politics instead of theology.

"It's a box that's been hoisted upon us by the institutionalized church. It's just not true," Egglebeen said. "There are six or seven incidents in scripture where a suicide is reported and it's treated kindly and tragically. In no way at all is the person condemned."

The Presbyterian Church itself has taken no stand on the issue, but it does favor abortion rights, Egglebeen said.

Archbishop Adam Maida of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Detroit has spoken out against Kevorkian and assisted suicide.

After the rally, hundreds of people stood in line to shake Kevorkian's hand, get his autograph or have their picture taken with him. Kevorkian was flanked by two bodyguards.

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year guerrilla war, suspended in August 1990 after the government introduced reforms to end apartheid.

Under the ANC proposal, whites could vote April 27 on whether to establish a whites-only homeland. The ballot would be separate from national elections April 27-29 for a new, multiracial government. The ANC is expected to win those elections.

Whether to accept the outcome of the homeland vote, the newly elected government would have final say on the issue, a condition unacceptable to white extremists who have threatened war. "I want to appeal to the right wing not to do anything that would drag our country into a conflict that would kill many innocent people, black and white," Mandela said. "We are appealing to the right wing not to talk about violence so easily. We know what war means."

The ANC, the government and their opponents, including the Afrikaner Volksfront and the black, Zulu-dominated Inkatha Freedom Party, were to meet again Monday in an attempt to end the differences that have raised fears of bloody conflict during the election campaign.

Inkatha and right-wing white groups fear domination by the ANC, which has overwhelming support among South Africa's black majority. They have demanded constitutional guarantees of ethnic autonomy for their followers before they agree to take part in the election. The ANC has refused, saying that would mean a return to apartheid-style homelands.

Inkatha, the ANC's main rival for black support, stopped short Sunday of calling an election boycott but said the party would not participate unless its demands for Zulu autonomy were met.

The Afrikaner Volksfront is threatening to boycott the vote. It installed its own government Saturday to lead the fight for a white nation.

The offer of a separate vote on a white homeland was made during private ANC-Afrikaner Volksfront talks and was the furthest the ANC has gone toward meeting the group's demand.

The ANC appeared to be gambling on the white minority rejecting the proposal and putting its support behind a multiracial government, as it did during a 1991 whites-only referendum on reforms. In that vote, pro-apartheid white groups were dealt an embarrassing defeat when whites voted nearly 2-to-1 in favor of national reconciliation.

Some homes on high ground avoided water damage, and most of the residents had left before the water moved in. No injuries were reported as a result of the flooding.

"It's kind of a guessing game," Bailey said.

"We're going to try to get him out again tonight or he'll die," she said. "It's been hard on me because I'm afraid of the water."
Schools see direct involvement with new student loan program

Marquette participates, Northwestern waits on plan

By DAVID CLAIRMONT

Within the next two months, colleges selected for the new federal student loan program will finish processing the extensive paperwork as they approach the actual loan date of July 1.

The selected schools for the new federal student loan program represents a nationwide involvement in the program. The list of participating schools includes 34 public four-year colleges and universities, 21 private four-year colleges, nine community colleges, and 38 proprietary institutions.

Each institution chosen for the program must have participated in past federal loan programs and have a loan default rate of less than 25 percent. This process must have used the Perkins aid program in the past and have the minimum technological capabilities necessary to participate in the program by means of electronic networks.

The group of schools chosen to participate in the program's first year is "intentionally well distributed," according to Daniel Goeyte, director of the Office of Student Financial Aid at the University.

Most, if not all, schools will be involved in the program by the beginning of the 1995-96 academic year, said Guytan Marquette, he predicts, will be among those schools and "will be in support of it as well." The Marquette office is not presently advertising the program to its undergraduates, Goeyte said, because it "implies an additional transition burden on students.

CLINTON LOAN PLAN: PLUSES AND MINUSES

PLUSES:

- Students receive direct loans from their college instead of from private lenders.
- Replaces the financially-troubled Pell Grant and Perkins Loan programs, saving taxpayers an estimated $4.3 billion through 1998.
- Has a flexible payment schedule, allowing students 10 years to repay loans or the choice of alternative service.
- Will allow the IRS to conduct audits for loans for the borrower's gross pay by 1996.

MINUSES:

- National service plan accepts less than one percent of the nation's college students.
- Will not take full effect until 1998. Until then, only the neediest of students will be eligible to receive direct loans.
- Participation among schools is strictly voluntary, though most are expected to participate.
- Barriers and loan organizations have raised questions about the Department of Education's ability to manage the new system effectively.
- Payment of $10,000 per year was reduced to $5000 per year after successful lobbying by veterans' groups who claimed college students would receive more money than those who had risked their lives in the armed forces.

"There is no need to give out more money to the student, it will be transparent to them," Goeyte said.

"The effect of its [the program's implementation is unknown," said Rebecca Dixon, associate provost for University of Northern Iowa. "We are adopting a participation plan to make sure the program is being accepted into the system.

"Students think it's "going to make getting more money easy, but it's not."

"Dixon pointed to it as capitalizing on the program. Although the loans will start immediately, "the paycheck won't start for years," she said, stating that students will have the experience in such matters as wire transfer of money in checking accounts.

"Some colleges "will be able to absorb costs", "Dixon observed.

The federal direct loan program "will save the money it's supposed to save," Dixon said. "We'll see a whole bunch of simplification yet."

Loan plan lost amid NAFTA, health care

BY DAVE TYLER

Lost behind NAFTA, health care reform and foreign affairs events of 1993 was the announcement of the Clinton administration's new student loan program. The President's program favors direct loans between a university and its students, rather than current policies which use government agencies as a middle man.

The Clinton plan has several attractive features, including a flexible payment schedule that allows students up to ten years after graduation to pay back loans on the choice of participating in Clinton's new national service program. This method of payment allows colleges to work with students, teachers, relief workers, police, or other service-related workers for two years. The students would receive housing and a monthly stipend and $5,000 education voucher each year for service.

The Clinton package would also help to lower interest rates. Loans would be paid back at 6.6 percent lower than the current Stafford loan rates. We may have to pay back the loan at the taking of the IRS taking a portion of your gross pay as a percentage for two years.

While the plan is inviting, there are several pitfalls associated with Clinton's national service option will accept less than one percent of the nation's college students.

Several veteran groups lobbed the payment down from $10,000 a year, claiming that those who have served the country the armed forces would be cheated if college students could receive more money for less dangerous work.

Other problems with the plan have evoked some criticism. While the plan will be available for the 1994-95 school year, the plan will not take full effect until 1998.

"The government may be able to pull it off this first year," Dixon said. "But it will be interesting to see."

The 105 schools selected to participate in the Federal Direct Student Loan Program (FDSL) for the 1994-95 academic year will represent a cross-section of public, private, four-year, two-year, and proprietary institutions.

Notre Dame is not among these schools and probably will not participate. "We'll just wait and see what the government does," Russo predicted.

"The fact that the University of Notre Dame has not volunteered as a first-year participant will have no negative impact on Notre Dame students for 1994-95, as the provisions for four and two years are virtually the same," said Russo.

Russo predicts that two years with the FDSL will be effective in the long run. "In the third year, if it is successful, we'll see a whole bunch of other schools participating, including ours possibly," Russo added.

Information about the new program is currently available through the Department of Education's central office or local office, though information is only in text. "We'll not have any pamphlets or anything that is useful until some time in the spring," Russo said.

"Will it be cheaper? Will it make the schools' books?" Russo is surprised. "What will the political implications be? Will it be more efficient? Will it be a benefit to schools? Will it reduce the cost?" Russo inquired.

His response: "To be announced."

- W. Hudson Giles
The mad scientists appear to be working overtime to make the Pro-Lifers look good. Consider the disclosure last month by British researchers of their technique to retrieve eggs (i.e., ova) from aborted female babies, fertilize them by in-vitro fertilization and implant them in the wombs of infertile women. If the technique is approved by the British Medical Association and government authorities, it may be able to produce the birth of a baby within three years.

This new technique is significant in several respects. Some hailed it as a providential breakthrough for desperately infertile couples. It does no harm to the unborn child, who had just been killed anyway and it allows a new life to come into the world. Others, however, have raised questions. How do you tell the resulting child, when he grows up, that his mother was never born because she was deliberately killed in the womb by the child’s grandmothers? Is this not the product of a salvage expedition on the dead mother’s body?

The technique, of course, treats the unborn child—the mother—not as a human being but as an object, a repository of component parts. "This consumerist approach to the creation of life," said Member of Parliament David Alton, "puts it on a par with an American fast-food outlet." The London Sunday Express warned of "fetus farming," in which women would be sacrificed to provide the fetuses for cash.

DOONESBURY

Charles E. Rice

New in vitro technique resurrects moral question

The "Instruction on Bioethics," issued in 1987 at the direction of Pope John Paul II, affirms that "the human being must be respected—as a person—from the very first moment of his existence. . . . On the time that the ovum is fertilized, a new life is begun which is neither that of the father nor of the mother, it is rather the life of a new human being with his own growth. It would never have been made human if it were not human already." The new British technique vindicates the insistence of the Pope upon this reality. How can an unborn child be a mother of a human being if she is not one herself? "If a fetus can be a mother," asked columnist Alan Keyes, "how can we deny that it is a human being?" Every time scientists develop a child using an egg taken from an aborted female fetus, they will be provoking beyond doubt that they have violated the most basic human right of mother.

The British scientists have demonstrated, beyond understanding even by dissident theologians or other academics, what we already knew, that every abortion, at whatever stage of gestation, kills a living—and necessarily innocent—human being. As the journal of the California Medical Association editorially noted in 1970, legalized abortion involves "a curious avoidance of the scientific fact, which every one really knows, that human life begins at conception and is continuous whether intra- or extrauterine until death."

In Roe v. Wade, in 1973, and later cases, the Supreme Court has declined to decide whether the unborn child is a human being. It has held that whether he is human or not, the unborn child is not a person and therefore has no constitutional rights. That is the same in effect as a frank holding that an unborn child is property. This new technique is signficant as a frank holding that an unborn child is property.

The British scientists make the pro-lifers look good, by providing a vehicle for the destruction of the babies; but then the pro-lifers will have to explain what we already knew, that the unborn child is a human being and a mother of a new life. The baby is a mother of a new life, regardless of whether it is fertilized by the child of the same sex or the opposite sex. The baby is a mother of a new life, regardless of whether it is fertilized by the child of the mother, it is the same in effect as a frank holding that the unborn child is property.

Acknowledged human being is a nonperson, which involves the same principle that underlay the depersonalization of blacks in the Dred Scott case and the Nazi depersonalization and extermination of the Jew. The new British technique exposes this fraud of camouflaging abortion as something other than the depersonalization and execution of an innocent human being.

The mad scientists make the Pope look good in another respect. John Paul II insisted, in "Bioethics," that "science and technology require, for their own intrinsic meaning, an unconditional respect for the fundamental criteria of the moral law: that is to say, they must be at the service of the human person, of his inalienable rights and his true and integral good according to the design and will of God."

This principle is light years removed from the ethic of the mad scientists. They have liber­ated themselves from the moral law. For them the unborn mother and her child are objects of utility, to serve the interests of others, rather than persons with a dignity con­ferred by "the design and will of God."

The countercultural charac­ter of the Church’s teaching in this area is seen in the Pope’s insistence, on two points, first that no one has a "right" to have a child, and second, that the child himself has a right to be conceived in a conjugal act within marriage. "A true and proper right to a child would be contrary to the child’s dignity and nature. The child is not an object to which one has a right; nor can he be considered as an object of ownership. Rather, a child is a gift, the supreme gift and the most gratuitous gift of marriage, and is a living testi­mony of the mutual giving of his parents."

For this reason, the child has the right . . . to be the fruit of the specific act of the conjugal love of his parents; and he also has the right to be respected as a person from the moment of his conception."

The British scientists are merely carrying the contracep­tive ethic to its logical conclu­sion. Through contra-conception, man separated sex from procreation and made himself, rather than God, the arbiter of when and how life would begin. He subordinated the creation of human life to technology employed according to utilitarian calculations.

In "Humanae Vitae," in 1968, Pope Paul VI warned that contra­ception would cause man to regard the woman as an object. He could not have been thinking of "the woman" as herself an unborn mother. But, as with John Paul II, the British scien­tists have made Paul VI look good. Once contraception cut us loose from the divine plan for procreation as taught by the Magisterium of the Church, there could be no intrinsic limit to the treatment of persons as objects, to trafficking (even commercial) in the bodies of the living as well as the dead, and to the subordination of the person to the interests of utility as determined by the state.

The new British technique provides a window on the future of our utilitarian technocracy. "Science without con­science," said John Paul II in "Bioethics," "can only lead to human’s ruin." It is time instead for us to turn and to accept the "design and will of God." Totally.

The only coherent answer here lies in the moral and social teachings of the Catholic Church.

Prof Rice is on the Law School faculty. His columns appear every other Monday.

Lenny Bruce, 1972
Students to travel to Florida over spring break in seminar

By LAUREN KALBERER
Accent writer

For a group of Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students, their spring breaks will be spent in someplace warm, but not at the usual college spots like Daytona Beach or Fort Lauderdale.

During the week of March 4-13, a group of Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students will travel to Immokalee, a town in south central Florida, to participate in "Migrant Experiences: Into the Fields," the second annual experiential service program co-sponsored by the Center for Social Concerns and the Notre Dame Alumni Association.

The goal of "Migrant Experiences" is to match students' interests with specific jobs, according to Laurie Niemann, Notre Dame senior and the Notre Dame Alumni Association community service program assistant.

Participants will have the opportunity to work closely with Immokalee residents in various fields, as well as social and governmental agencies, said Niemann.

The format of the trip will be similar to the Appalachia and the city and a Haitian Mass.

The students will also engage in three small group discussions with members of the community throughout the week.

Workers from different branches of the city will discuss the social and political problems faced by the residents of Immokalee.

One distinctive facet of the program is that it allows students to live and work closely with Immokalee residents in their respective fields, according to Niemann.

"There are a whole variety of fields depending on student interest," said Niemann.

Students will work in various agencies including the local hospice, homeless shelter, middle school, medical clinic and the Health and Rehabilitation Services agency.

Craig Anzilotti, Notre Dame senior and co-chair of the program with Niemann last year, had the opportunity to experience first-hand homelessness in Immokalee.

Anzilotti bffrended Jimbo, a homeless man who worked in the city's packing house. Jimbo regularly slept on the front steps of a building near Guadelupe Services.

For three or four nights, Anzilotti said that he stayed with and talked to Jimbo.

"As I listened to Jimbo's experiences, I was filled with respect and admiration for him," said Anzilotti.

"Though I saw Jimbo as a hero, the idea that others would condemn him as a loser was eye-opening," Anzilotti said that he continues to correspond with Jimbo, who currently lives in Portland, Oregon.

"In fact, I received a letter from him just the other day," said Anzilotti.

Anzilotti also worked in a health clinic with a retired physician who volunteers his services to AIDS and arthritis patients four days per week.

Anzilotti said he was especially impressed and inspired by the physician's commitment and dedication to the people of his community.

"Migrant Experiences," which began through the support of the Alumni Association, offers the opportunity for both students and alumni to work together in service, said Niemann.

She explained that alumni mainly coordinate the event for student participation.

"It is challenging to combine the efforts of the students and the alumni because they have different schedules," said Niemann.

However, the alumni are extremely supportive of the program.

"Jack Stanley, the president of the Southwest Florida Alumni club, is really excited about getting more alumni to participate this coming year," said Niemann.

Niemann is looking forward to the cultural aspect of the seminar.

"The program is a truly multicultural experience because the participants live among people [originally] from Cuba, Mexico, Guatemala, and Haiti," Niemann said.

"Migrant Experiences" is open to all students from Notre Dame and Saint Mary's.

Though the application deadline was January 28, Niemann said that students who are still interested in participating in the program should contact the CSC for further details as soon as possible.

Carrot Top brings his wacky humor to Washington Hall

By CHRISTY LENKO
Accent writer

Imagine someone who steals a Domino's Pizza delivery boy uniform, orders out for pizza and then answers the door in the uniform to confound the delivery boy.

Who is this interesting, bizarre person? None other than Carrot Top.

It has been a year and a half since Carrot Top, the notorious red-haired college entertainer, visited Notre Dame and thrilled the crowds with his elaborate sketches and twisted ideas.

Last year, Carrot Top played to sold-out crowds at Washington Hall as part of a weekend of activities welcoming students back to campus.

This year's show, scheduled for 8 p.m. this evening, also sold out several weeks ago.

Carrot Top's one-man improvisational show was a much talked about hit, according to Megan Duffy, student activities programmer with the Student Union Board.

Carrot Top's popularity with students was a factor in inviting him to return this year, according to Duffy.

Since his last visit to Notre Dame, Carrot Top has been featured on numerous television shows and received national recognition as a popular college performer.

In 1993, Carrot Top received the Campus Entertainer of the Year and National Campus Comedian of the Year Awards.

His resume of television appearances includes segments on Comic Strip Live, MTV's The Tonight Show and Regis & Kathie Lee, among others.

Carrot Top has also surpassed Harry Chapin's popularity to become the most booked act ever on the college market.

It isn't hard to understand Carrot Top's appeal. The comedian is a master of improvisation, and his unique performances feature a variety of unusual hand-made props and costumes, according to Gayle Spencer, assistant director of student activities.

"Carrot Top is really creative," said Spencer.

"He is successful because he plays off the crowd's energy and makes things up as he goes along."

Carrot Top's goal is to make people see the humor in everyday situations, according to Duffy.

Carrot Top's humor is lighthearted, with a stress on being goofy and fun," said Duffy.

Carrot Top is also the first person to make fun of his own appearance, which can best be described as unusual, she added.

"I think students will really enjoy the show," said Duffy.
No journey is too long for family's love and friends

By DYLAN BARMER
Sports Writer

Fan support is something that any athlete appreciates, all too often, we forget to meet many of their most ardent supporters, family members and close friends are often their most influential fans. When senior point guard and floor leader Kara Leary took to the court along with her four senior classmates and the Irish women's basketball team on Saturday night, eight such fans were in the stands at the A.C.C. to see her play. Kara's mother, cousin, and six other friends made the 700-mile trip from New Hampshire to root on the fiery senior and her classmates. The group arrived at Michi­ ana Regional Airport at 7 a.m. Saturday morning via a private jet called a Citation. The jet was owned by Dick Harmoni and Don Canrell, two friends of the Leary family.

The arrival of the group came as a complete surprise to Leary, who helped contribute to the Irish's 80-67 win over the rival Titans with a team-high seven assists and five steals. Saturday's game was the fifth that Leary's mom has attended this year. She was in attendance for the Brown Tour­ nament in Providence, where Leary was named MVP. Kara has come long way as a player for the Irish. A walk-on in her freshman season, Leary took over the starting position midway through her sopho­ more year, which was a tough transition due to lacking in cohesiveness. The Irish went 8-1 after Leary's insertion into the start­ ing lineup, and went on to win the ACC Championship.

Kara's dad, Ed, said, "We're extremely proud of her conference.

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Irish take over first place in the MCC

By DYLAN BARMER
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame women's basketball team moved into sole possession of first place in the Mid­west Conference Collegiate Conference with an impressive 86-57 homecourt win against Detroit Mercy last Saturday night. The Irish won, coupled with a loss by Butler University to LaSalle earlier that day, enabled the Irish to move into first place with a 4-2 MCC record.

Going into Saturday's game, the Irish shared first place with both Butler and Detroit Mercy, the team owning a 3-1 MCC record.

Against the Titans, the Irish came out strong, controlling the tempo.

Senior forward TooTie Jones, who finished the game with a career-best 27 points, scored first for the Irish, who went on an early 12-0 run to open up the Titans at 16-5 just 6:41 into the game.

The swarming Irish defense forced 11 Titan turnovers in the first half, and the offense lit up the board from long range, shooting 9 of 3-point attempts.

This aggressive style of play on both sides of the floor produced 41-30 Irish first half lead, and forced the Titans to play catchup in the second half.

TooTie Jones had 10 points for the Irish in the first half, and senior for­ ward Shari Orlosky finished the half with 12 of which on 3-point shots.

In the second half of the game, the Irish had to contend with a more aggressive Titan team, led by guard Aminah Darnford, who scored 12 sec­ ond half points to finish with a game-high 25 points.

The Titans, bolstered by the play of Darnford and the support of a group of vocal fans, pulled to within eight points of the Irish when Marrie Buchanan drained a 3-pointer to make 59-51 with 9.5 left in the game.

That was the closest Detroit Mercy would get, though, as TooTie Jones exploded for eight of the Irish's next 10 points, and freshman sensation Bell Moble would connect for 10 second half points. A solid team effort would result in the Irish 67-51 final score. The Irish posted their 13th straight win against the Titans. Notre Dame now leads the series 19-2, including an 11-0 record at the A.C.C.

Most importantly for the Irish, though, the win put the team, now 12-5, in complete control of first­ place in the competitive conference.

Irish head coach Matt McGraw was impressed with the team's performance, saying, "That was a really big win. With Butler's loss, we're now in sole possession of first place, which is where we want to stay. TooTie Jones and Shari Orlosky also played very well, with a season-high 19. The bench also contributed well, and was an important factor in the game, as it has been all season.

The next test for the Irish will come Saturday when they travel to Chicago to face Loyola University (1-5, MCC)
No Kid- ing: Cal upsets No. 1 UCLA

By WENDY E. LANE
Associated Press

OAKLAND, Calif. Jason Kidd took over the game, and once again a new team will take the No. 1 ranking.

Kidd had 18 points, a career-high 14 rebounds and 12 assists Sunday, leading California to an 85-70 upset of UCLA, which ensured itself of becoming the latest top-ranked team to have a short stay in that spot.

The Bruins (14-1, 7-1 Pac-10), who were the last unbeaten team in Division I, never led during the game and shot just 38 percent. They moved into the No. 1 spot last week, then barely beat Stanford, 69-65 Thursday night.

Kidd stepped up after George Zidek's free throw with 4:41 left pulled UCLA to 70-68. He fed a pass to Ryan Jamison for a layup, then proceeded to get the B ruins within 64-63 with 7:36 remaining.

"It's hard to swallow," said forward Ed O'Bannon, whose 24 points led the Bruins. "We were used to winning. But I think we're good enough and confident enough to bounce back."

They did what they had to do," UCLA coach Jim Harrick said. "We came back. We got to the basket. We just couldn't get over it."

UCLA, which scored just three points in the final 5:34, couldn't overcome Cal's defense and couldn't stop Kidd at the end.

"He's their floor general on the court," forward Charles O'Bannon said. "He won the game for them. That's what you expect but you really have to key in on the rest of the guys.

But UCLA couldn't stop the other guys either. Monte Bunk ley got loose for 23 points on 8-for-12 shooting and Lamond Murray added 21.

Leading 45-35 at halftime, Buckeye scored 11 of Cal's first 13 points of the second half, giving the Bears a 58-43 advantage with 15:08 to play. UCLA outscored Cal 11-2 to cut its deficit to six points with 11:22 remaining.

A free throw by Tyrus Edney got the Bruins within 64-65 with 7:36 remaining, but he missed one to tie.

Injuries have forced Cal coach Todd Bozeman to use eight different starting lineups this season, and although his team registered a 98-93 upset of Arizona, the Bears have been inconsistent, losing to Santa Clara and Stanford.

"Our guys feel we're on of the best teams on the West Coast," Bozeman said. "But we need to work hard at being consistent for 40 minutes. If you can do it now, it shows you can do it at any time."

Cal used the zone to hold the Bruins to 40 percent shooting in the first half and built a 29-16 lead in the first 3-pointer by Andre McQueen with 9:19 to go in the period. UCLA answered with a 10-0 run started by two consecutive three-point plays by O'Bannon.

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DePauw hands Saint Mary's hoops its second straight loss

By ANNE NAPIERKOWSKI Sports Writer

After their winning streak ended last Thursday against Bethesda College, the Saint Mary's basketball team fell again Saturday to DePauw, 73-60.

DePauw wasted no time taking charge with an 8-0 run at the beginning of the game.

"They got off to a great start," said coach Marvin Wood. "We played catch up the whole rest of the game."

But the Belles did not fall completely out of the game. They were able to cut the lead to two in the second half.

DePauw's pressure kept them ahead and helped them finish with a victory.

"They played the best defense we've run into yet," Wood said. "We kept fighting back, but DePauw was playing very well."

Despite DePauw's tough pressure defense, Saint Mary's forward Peter Micelli's added 13 points.

"It's a setback," said Koppe-redd. "Before, we thought we could handle any pressure. But we'll be working on the pressure defense and timing in practice."

The Belles are hoping to rebound from this loss and come up with a win in their make-up game against the University of Chicago on Wednesday.

SPORTS BRIEFS

Women's Lacrosse is back: First meeting is tonight at 10 p.m. at Lafite. All are welcome. If you can't come or if you have any questions, call Molly Donius at 273-6539 or Allison Martin at 634-2377. Bring sticks and be ready to play.

Notre Dame Rugby Club: There will be an informational meeting for anyone interested in playing rugby on Tuesday Feb. 1, from 7:30-8:30 in the Notre Dame Room of LaFortune (2nd floor). Practice begins at 7 p.m. at Loftus on Wednesday Feb. 2.

Ketsu-ka self defense class: Meetings are on Tuesday and Thursday from 5:30-8 p.m. in Rocks 219 and Sundays from 2-3:30 in Rock 307. Registration fee is $18 in advance. For more information call RecSports.

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call in."

Starting center Peter Micelli's father died of a heart attack three days after the quake.

"Micelli's dad dropped off some water and supplies Thursday morning, then he was found dead that night. His death was not related to the earthquake."

Other Notre Dame players lost their apartments in the quake and had to return home.

"It's been a difficult situation for a lot of people," Smith said.

The Matadors will try to con-tinue their recovery tonight at the Joyce Center against Notre Dame. It is the team's second straight test against the other team's games at Air Force and Cali-for nia were postponed, but the Matadors did agree to make the trip to Northeastern Illinois on Sat-urday and there were no games.

"Everyone had been looking forward to playing at Notre Dame, but nobody has had time to think about it this past week," Smith said.

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Notre Dame and was interested in coming here, but opted for Providence.

Want to know why?

"I wanted to play in a great league," said Croshere.

Even Friars coach Rick Barnes admitted after the game that Notre Dame needs a conference and that the Big East would be a good choice.

"Players want to play in a conference" said Barnes. "Notre Dame has a mystique about it, but its basketball has been hurt by a lack of affiliation with a league.

All of this discussion is possible because the Big East is considering realignment in the near future. Many envision a bigger Big East with two divisions.

In the first division for basketball-only schools would be: Georgetown, Seton Hall, Connecticut, St. John's, Providence, Villanova, Notre Dame and DePaul.

In the second division for all-sports schools would be: Syracuse, Boston College, Miami, Pittsburgh, West Virginia, Temple, Rutgers and Virginia Tech.

"They're definitely improving as a team," said Michigan coach Red Berenson. "If the trend continues, the next game will be a hell of a game." This game and the crowd is a tribute to college hockey."

The crowd he was referring to set a new regular season NCAA record for a college hockey game. In fact, the annual event was oversold by 500 tickets.

If the Irish want to a fifth shot at Michigan they have to start to win some games. Next weekend, Notre Dame entertains Miami of Ohio for two games.

Notre Dame has a league. They're two out of its three conferences. They're two out of the nine Big East teams. They have a lot in common with us," said Barnes. "It would make Notre Dame a top-five program."

Additionally, it's no secret that the athletic department has its eye on the bottom line and that the money is in television.

The extension of the NBC football contract which includes four home basketball games a year indicates that the powers that be are interested in getting more television coverage.

The Big East, as one of the country's premier conferences, has extensive television coverage. On almost any weekend, it is hard not to find a Big East game on one of the three networks or on ESPN.

It is also important to consider that a home conference game would practically guarantee a sell-out.

Although there was a large contingent of fans at the Providence game, there were also a lot of empty seats.

MacLeod says that, "My ultimate goal is to build our team for a consistent power and get the Joyce Center to the point where you can't get a ticket. I want to get that done and get that building rockin' and I'm not going to be satisfied until that happens."

The student support was more vocal during the second half, but the noise wasn't deafening.

Now, if the game had meant moving up in the Big East conference standings, a few eardrums would have been damaged and the students would have left sounding like Marge Simpson's sisters.

A depressing statistic for this year's senior class is that it is the first class to come through Notre Dame in over forty years that never went to the NCAA Tournament. Providence is 11-5 and should probably finish somewhere in the middle of the Big East standings.

But, with a championship tournament at the end of the season, the Friars have a chance to represent the Big East at the NCAA Tournament while the Irish players and fans will be left to watch March Madness from South Bend.
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bidding two NBA-range three pointers.
Then Monty Williams took over.
Scoring at will en route to 22 first half points, Williams took a pass on the wing from Admore White, went behind his back past one defender and sliced through two more, connecting for a three point play to give the Irish what would be their largest lead, 26-16.

"The last two games have been Monty's games," explained MacLeod. "If you walk on the floor before the game, you see number three and you know that he is going to be a player."

Providence also had a "player" on the court in shooting guard Michael Brown. Coming off a double screen to the top of the floor before the game, Williams took a 9-for-10 from the floor including 5-for-6 from beyond the arc on the way to scoring 27 points.

"We knew Brown was a good player, but we didn't expect him to go 9-for-10," commented MacLeod with a wry smile. "I'm sure if you ask Brown, he didn't expect to go 9-for-10 either."

As Providence narrowed the Irish lead in the first half, timers began to flare under the boards, where Notre Dame maintained a surprising advantage. The result was an altercation between Notre Dame's Joe Ross and Providence's Eric Williams (a 14 ppg scorer) that led to the ejection of both players.

"(Williams) gave Joe a fore-arm to the neck on the other end, so downtown Joe took a swing at him and made good contact," stated an exasperated MacLeod. "We've seen enough of this over the past two years that we're going to take things into our own hands if the referees fail to make the calls."

As Ross left the arena to a standing ovation, momentum shifted back to the Irish before halftime, as a Jon Ross drive and Monty Williams jumper gave Notre Dame a tenuous 40-39 halftime lead. The second half began all-Notre Dame.

Brown continued to rain down threes on the Notre Dame defense, and was helped by freshman Austin Croshere, who came off the bench to score ten points.

Notre Dame's ten point lead had long since been forgotten as the Friars went up 67-51 with ten minutes left. However, the Irish were not about to let the fans leave without tormenting them further, staging a rossing comeback that kept alive the hopes for an upset.

With the defense keeping the Friars off the scoreboard, Notre Dame went on a 19-2 run, sparked by a Lamar Justice three point play and Hoover's long range shooting. However, just as Notre Dame instilled hope in the fans, Providence was compelled to crush it. The Friars regained their composure and Croshere and Brown hit wide open threes to put the game out of reach.

"Croshere and Brown both stepped up," stated Friar coach Rick Barnes. "Croshere is a kid who doesn't get a lot of minutes, but he knocked down that three like he's been there all year."

Notre Dame will look to break their losing skid tonight when they host Cal-St. Northridge at 7:30 p.m. in the Joyce Center.

Lamarr Justice lays the ball up over the Providence defense.

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It's deja vu as Dallas dumps Buffalo again

Bumbling Bills set record for futility

By DAVE GOLDBERG
Associated Press

ATLANTA

The Dallas Cowboys are champions again and the Buffalo Bills are the undisputed kings of the Super Bowl flop. The Cowboys and the Bills both made Super Bowl history Sunday, thanks to two unlikely stars, James Washington and a redeemed Leon Lett.

Washington, a backup safety, had a hand in 17 of Dallas' points as they beat the Bills 30-13 and won their second straight NFL title and sent Buffalo to a record fourth straight Super Bowl defeat.

No franchise in the history of American team sports has lost the championship game four straight times.

Emmitt Smith ran for 132 yards and two touchdowns as Dallas 'became the 10th straight NFC team to win the league's title game by outscoring the Bills 24-0 in the second half after trailing 13-6 at halftime.

But it was Washington who turned the game around as the Cowboys became just the fifth team to win in consecutive years and tied San Francisco and Pittsburgh with four Super Bowl victories.

Washington returned a fumble 46 yards for a touchdown, intercepted a pass in the fourth quarter that led to another, and forced a first-half fumble that led to a field goal. Both fumbles were by Buffalo's star running back, Thurman Thomas, whose frustration seemed to symbolize the entire team's.

Smith, and the Dallas defense then took over.

Smith rushed for 61 of his yards on the next drive, scoring from 15 yards out to give Dallas a 20-13 lead. Lett, Charles Haley, Jim Jeffcoat and Darren Woodson, meanwhile, all made big defensive plays to shut down the Buffalo offense.

Men's volleyball's win streak continues against Whittenburg

By G.R. NELSON
Sports

The men's volleyball team (6-0) continued its outstanding play by trouncing Whittenberg 15-1, 15-8, 15-11 Friday night at the Thunderpit.

This victory was a total team effort.

Every member of the team played and contributed.

In fact, every player had at least one kill.

"This game was a lot of fun," said president Brian Ceponis.

"Everyone had the opportunity to play." The starters played only in the first game and then enjoyed the rest of the game from the bench.

Fortunately for the Irish, there was little drop off in production.

Additionally, several of the younger players received their first extensive action of the season.

"It was good to get involved and help the team win," said freshman Mike Irvine.

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Record crowd sees Wolverines escape improving Irish, 3-1

By TIM SHERMAN
Sports Writer

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. - Toward the end of the game, the giant scoreboard at the Palace buzzed "LOUERED". The 20,427 fans responded and cheered wildly. Perhaps the best evidence of another victory.

But Notre Dame supporters may have thought of it as appreciation for the performance of Louder, as in Greg, the Notre Dame goalie who kept the explosive Wolverine offense off the scoreboard for more than 53 minutes.

Despite Louder's brilliant efforts, the Irish dropped a 3-1 decision to No. 1 Michigan. The score is not indicative of the game, which included three empty net goals in the final minute.

Shields, along with Louder, was spectacular throughout, especially in the second period, when the Irish fired 24. Not one found the back of the net. "He's hard to get the puck by," stated Schafer. "It was just a perfect shot in the left corner that no one was going to save."

Notre Dame still had a handful of quality chances to tie the game but Wolverine netminder Steve Shields, who holds the NCAA record for wins, was just as sensational as usual. He denied bid after bid, including shots by John Bushin and Da-vide DaGrande.

By TIM SHERMAN
Assistant Sports Editor

No longer can the Notre Dame men's basketball team be termed "Team Inept." Now the correct terminology is "Team Frustration."

Following Saturday's 82-75 loss to Providence, the Irish showed the home crowd why they were able to stay with No. 2 Duke, putting on a well-played and at times spectacular display. They also showed why they own a discouraging 5-12 record and are in the midst of a six game losing streak.

There were times against the Friars that the Irish did everything right. However, with the game on the line, it was the experienced Big East squad that made the plays.

"Our effort is substantially better, and the sensational comeback shows the character of this team," stated Irish head coach John MacLeod. "But, in the stretch, we got antsy with the ball and our quick shooting just killed us."

Unlike many previous games, Notre Dame jumped out to a quick start, taking the game right at the Friars. With Ryan Hoover struggling to find his shot, sophomore Keith Kurowski came off the bench to give the Irish an immediate lift.

Michigan's Mike Legg (15) and Notre Dame's Bryan Welch get tangled in a race for the puck. Welch was there to stop.

"He just played a fantastic game," said Gruber. "It's a lot easier to play in front of someone when you have a lot of confidence. In when they did get opportunities, he was there to make the save."

Despite the team's efforts, the Irish were forced to pull Mike Legg.

Is Big East the answer for Irish?

Monty Williams tips in two of his 10 points for the Irish in Saturday's game to seal the Michigan victory. The Observer/Kyle Kusek

Women's Hoops
Tootie Jones scored a career-high 22 points as the Irish women moved into sole possession of first place in the MCC.

Super Bowl XXVIII
Dallas does it again as Buffalo bobbles away a fourth Super Bowl.

Sports Writer

Earthquake shakes Cal-State Northridge

Basketball just doesn't seem as important to the Cal-State Northridge basketball team anymore.

Recovery is what matters now. Two weeks ago, while the team was in Boulder, Colo. preparing for a game against the University of Colorado, the Northridge campus saw some of the worst damage from the earthquake that ravaged southern California on Jan. 17.

Fourteen people died when an apartment building collapsed just two blocks from the university and nearly $125 million in damage was done to the school's 58 buildings.

The quake also shook the spirits of the team members, who are now more concerned with rebuilding than rebounding.

Long-time coach Pete Cassidy had a particularly tough time in the wake of the disaster.

"This was really hard on (Cassidy)," Northridge sports information director Barry Smith said. "His wife called him in Boulder about 4:30 in the morning, told him there had been an earthquake, and that she was trapped in their apartment."

"He coached the game not knowing whether she was safe or not because nobody could do anything."

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Saint Mary's

The Bell's basketball team drops its second straight game.

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