College students ‘awaken’ on retreat

By MELANIE GARMAN
Saint Mary's/South Bend News Editor

As many students are making plans for the weekend, a handful of Saint Mary's students are preparing for the Saint Mary's Awakening Retreat. The overnight retreat, which is being held at Still Waters farmhouse in rural Michigan, gives students the chance to spend quality time with friends, away from the daily activities on campus.

"The main purpose of the retreat is to deepen God's presence in our lives," said Liz Riegel, Liturgical Ministries coordinator and retreat leader. "God is present in our lives through prayer, scripture, and those around us, but at times we become so involved in our daily routines that we don't take time to listen or deal with the deeper question of his meaning in our lives."

The Saint Mary's Awakening Retreats began last year and grew out of initiative of the Spirituality Community Leadership Team. Many圣徒have had the desire to have an open retreat for the entire Saint Mary's community. Retreats are held within individual departments; see RETREAT / page 4

NDH engulfed by nasty stench

Observer Staff Report

Yesterday an overbearing bad smell engulfed North Dining Hall at lunch, and again at dinner.

"I went in for lunch at 12:15, and there was a horrible stench. As I walked toward the center of the dining hall, it became unbearable," said Rosanna Ventrono, a junior from Lewis who are both members in the dining hall.

There were rumors of a few students running out of the building and vomiting outside.

While the cause of the odor was still unknown as of last night, Mike VanKirk, North Dining Hall manager, believed that it was done on purpose by students.

"We're not positive," he said, "but each time it happened-paper has been left in one of the microwaves of something like parmesan cheese on slow cook."

VanKirk had no specific means of preventing such a thing from happening again, but he did feel that the stench was the result of students.

"I guess it's really up to the students," he said. "If they enjoy doing pranks like this, they have to sit and endure it."

Student government seeks to dispel the myths

Editor's Note: This is the second in a four-part series examining relations between the Notre Dame and Saint Mary's campuses, and the aspects that strengthen or shatter the stereotype.

By MATTHEW LOUGHRAN
Associate News Editor

Student leaders from Saint Mary's College have publicly said that the only way to dispel the stereotypes that run rampant between both Saint Mary's and Notre Dame is to bring students together in a non-alcohol related event.

This week, the student governments of both colleges will meet to figure out a way to do just that, according to Erek Nass, Notre Dame's student body vice president.

"We want to set up a permanent avenue of communication between the two campuses by way of the leaders," said Nass. "It started last spring when we had a leadership conference over at Saint Mary's. I met with their student body president, Matt (Griffin, Notre Dame student body president) met with Nikki (Milles, the Saint Mary's student body president)."

"The problems that exist between the two campuses were discussed," he continued. "We discussed ways of handling these problems and we switched recipes on how to go about implementing them.

The four student leaders also discussed the problem of stereotypes at a second leadership conference last spring, this time on Notre Dame's campus.

"We plan on continuing with these leadership summits," said Miles. "But we would like to expand this to include ways of talking about issues of diversity on campus as well."

Miles said that the schools do have plans for a non-formal dance for seniors of both schools. "I don't have all the details on it, but I believe that it would be open to all students from both institutions," she said.

Both schools' administrations said that they do not specifically plan events to bring students of the two areas together. However, by inviting all students to participate in their programs, the schools do facilitate interaction between the campuses.

"Virtually all of our programs are for both groups," said Georgette Rosenbush, the Saint Mary's director of Student Activities. "Any programs that our groups put on, including the clanes dances, Senior Formal and other social events that we have, are open to Notre Dame students.

Joe Cassidy, Notre Dame director of Student Activities, agreed with Rosenbush, but cautioned that his office does not directly plan the events.

"If you look at the larger picture, we are involved in assisting student organizations in planning their events," he said. "We try not to be pushing ideas or imposing events on the student groups. That would be very negative. But we do offer suggestions about things that could be programmed and those events are open to members of both campuses."

As an example of these events, he noted that each year the Student Union Board sets aside one day of ArtSci, Notre Dame's spring festival, for activities hosted by Saint Mary's.

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James Earl Jones

Renowned actor

Shares social agenda with Stepan crowd

By MICHELLE KRUPA
Associate News Editor

"Luke, I am your father."

This trademark phrase resounded in Stepan Center last night, uttered by the voice that made it famous — that of James Earl Jones. To a crowd of more than 1,200, Jones stepped out of his well-known Hollywood persona and shared his expectations of a very real world on the verge of a new millennium.

"The problem with predictions of doom is that there are exploiters waiting for us, to sense panic and harm innocent people who are waiting around to see if the world will really end at the turn of the century," he said.

"But I bring you good news — you will find that we are already going through the apocolypse," he said.

As Jones made the transition from the 20th to the 21st century, Jones expressed fears that the media's perception of the world is quickly becoming reality for many.

"It is from the movies that we learn how to be. Movies are like our moral compass, they fill a psychological void. They have become real life," he said.

He said that humanity must focus on real sociological, economic and political goals.

"The future is in our hands. It is our gift to our children," Jones said, making reference to his own 15-year-old son. "The physical universe has been created in such a way that the past is our teacher, the present is our mission, and the future is in our sons. It is our duty to make the future ours by being a voice, a voice that changed the world will really end at the turn of the century," he said.

Jones followed a call for interaction between the two campuses by the voice that made it famous — that of James Earl Jones.

"I'm convinced that the only thing keeping today's Lincolns and Jeffersons from rising to the top is the lack of raw, unfiltered knowledge. People need to be able to link onto a resource and just learn," he continued.

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Michigan student dies of stab wounds, police shoot culprit.

ANN ARBOR, Mich.
A man who was stabbing his girlfriend on the University of Michigan campus today was shot by a police officer, and both died in surgery, university authorities said.

The officer, responding to 911 calls, drove into a campus parking lot shortly after midnight and fired when the man refused to obey his order to stop his attack on the woman, campus public safety director Leo Heatley said.

The woman was identified as Tamarra Williams, a 20-year-old junior. The suspect was identified as Kevin Nelson, 26, who lived with Williams but was not a student at the university.

Nelson was convicted of a domestic assault on Williams in 1995, university spokeswoman Julie Peterson said. Williams' 2 1/2-year-old daughter was asleep in the apartment and was placed in protective custody, Heatley said. Williams and Nelson both died in surgery at the University of Michigan Medical Center.

Camping police got several calls of an attack at 12:17 a.m. Heatley said.

Nelson started stabbing Williams in their apartment, Heatley said. "She was able to get to a neighbor's home and knock on the windows," Heatley said.

The officer, whose identity was not released, found Williams lying on the ground, with Nelson repeatedly stabbing her face, Heatley said.

A resident of the complex said she heard at least two gunshots.

"Bang! Bang!" Marilyn Deen told The Ann Arbor News. "She had heard people arguing in the parking lot and then heard someone shout: 'She's dead. Get the police. She's dead.'"
Diversity Council to "set a new direction"

By CHRIS SHIPLEY
New Writer

Acting as the voice and ears for the Griffin/Nass administration, the Diversity Council is responsible for all multicultural issues. It requires a great deal of time and dedication. The newly appointed members of the Diversity Council are up to the task, however, as they prepare to "set a new direction" for the student government in terms of multicultural issues.

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Student body president Matt Griffin vetoed a resolution Tuesday in a letter to student sen­ators that he would not sign a resolution requesting the resign­ation of Lee Hambright as assistant controller for Notre Dame's Hall Presidents' Council, the The Observer. In its reso­lution, called the assignment of duties and conflict of interest, but noted that in holding the two offices, Hambright did not commit any ethical or legal conflict.

By withholding his signature, Griffin vetoes the resolution unless the senate can achieve a five-sixths vote to override it. In using the veto power allotted to him by the new constitu­tion, Griffin cited a higher goal than just keeping Hambright in his current position.

"The real question is how much trust and authority one should give a student pres­ident and vice president in choosing their staff," Griffin said in the letter. "It is my hope that by not signing the resolu­tion, the senate will have a chance to address issues that are more important to the student body.

Some members of the Senate took issue with Griffin's veto of the resolution. "Even though I voted against the resolution, I don't like the amount of authority that the president excercised over the senate," Morris senator Matt Szabo said. "I realize that it was in his power to do this, but he should have respected the sen­ate's wishes on this occasion. By not signing the resolution the senate passed by a majority vote he is in effect slapping the senate in the face."

Griffin vetoes resolution

"I decided to sign up for the retreat because I have always enjoyed the previous retreats I have participated in and they have not only made my faith stronger, but I have come to learn a lot about myself as well," said Beth Phelan. "Time away from classes and the day-to-day activities will enable me to focus on my faith and my direction in my life is taking," she said.

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members including the education and business curriculums, however the Awakening retreat is open to all students of Saint Mary's. New and returning students are our message to the

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"Humans are by nature explorers and warriors: explor­ers because we never let a quest­ion go unanswered and war­riors because we never let a friend go into battle alone," Interweaving these disciplines, he said that people must work together toward a good world.

"Let our governments create institutions that bring together the brightest minds. We have learned in the 20th century that nations rise from communities," Jones said.

Reiterating his three points, Jones concluded his speech by stressing again that "our chil­dren are our most precious asset for the future" and urged the communi­ty "to walk into that unknown as warriors and explorers."

Jones was born Todd Jones in Archbystals, Miss., and raised in Michigan by his father, a prize­fighter-turned-actor. He attend­ed the University of Michigan and studied drama. He made his professional stage debut in 1957 in an off­Broadway production. He came into prominence as a classical actor in the New York Shakespeare Festival produc­tions, including "Othello" in 1964, the year in which he began his film career.

He won a Tony in 1969 for his role in "The Great White Hope," which won him a nomination for an Academy Award and the Golden Globe. He has acted in almost 60 roles, including performances in the War Stars Trilogy (1977-83), "Field of Dreams" (1989), "Clear and Present Danger" (1994) and "The Lioning" (1991).

"As an evening with James Earl Jones" was presented by Notre Dame's Student Union Board, Office of Multicultural Student Affairs and Student Activities.

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which members of both campuses participate has dwindled over the years.

"That not long ago, the class governments from both sides were very close and would plan a lot of events together," he said.

"It was easier to work from a class perspective because, with the single-sex nature of the dorms here on campus, anything sponsored by a dorm would either be all female or mixed crowd. It makes sense even more not to plan events like that from dorms to dorms.

But Notre Dame's Hall Presidents' Council plans to try that kind of programming this year.

"We are trying to contact the representatives over at Saint Mary's to help start a 'brother and sister dorm' project," said HPC co-chair Mark Fenner.

"I have seen it tried before and fail, but there have been some things done in the past on the Notre Dame campus that promoted interaction between students of both schools and we are try­ing to keep that up.

"Overall, our hall presidents are very open to programming events to include Saint Mary's stu­dents," he said.

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NASA debates sending another astronaut to Mir

By MARCIA DUNN

CAPE CANAVERAL, Fla. -- NASA came under mounting political and public pressure Tuesday not to put another American aboard the broken-down Mir, a debate that's become one of the most agonizing in the history of the space program.

The final decision rests with NASA Administrator Daniel Goldin, who has been warned by key members of Congress that he proceeds at his own risk if he sends astronaut David Wolff to the Russian space station for a four-month stay.

Goldin is expected to make up his mind Wednesday, one day before space shuttle Atlantis is scheduled to lift off with Wolf.

"The time has come to say we've learned a lot from it, but we're not going to risk any more Americans aboard," Rep. F. James Sensenbrenner Jr., chairman of the House Science Committee, said on NBC's "Today" show.

"The whole country was behind us in Apollo," said Christopher Kraft, retired director of the Johnson Space Center and a key figure in the development of the Apollo and shuttle programs. "Today we live in this world of 'what have you done for me lately' business. That makes it very tough, particularly for NASA."

NASA insiders were divided right before the 1986 Challenger accident on whether to launch that morning, but that debate didn't become public until after the ugly fact. One of the biggest disputes before that came before the triumphant Apollo 8 flight to the moon during Christmas 1968, when some argued that the Saturn 5 rocket needed more testing.

There have been other debates along the way, whether to replace John Glenn on NASA's first orbital flight in 1962 because of the perceived psychological toll of his numerous launch delays, whether to send astronauts to the damaged Skylab station in 1973, and whether in 1981 to risk astronauts on a space shuttle protected from the fiery re-entry only by fragile outer tiles.

In every case except for Challenger, NASA was confident of its technical know-how and won.

This time, though, NASA is forced to rely on another country's expertise. And that country's space station is breaking down more and more.

NASA's inspector general, Roberta Gross, noted in a recent letter to the House Science Committee that Mir's problems "are occurring at a time when the Russian government may not be in a position to provide adequate financial and technical support to enable the aging space station to operate safely."

Leaders of the space committee oppose sending any more Americans to live on Mir but have left the final decision up to Goldin. The White House also is leaving it up to Goldin.

Goldin wants to review two more safety reports by independent experts and meet with those experts before giving the go-ahead.

If Goldin decides it is too risky to put Wolf aboard, NASA will probably still send Atlantis to Mir as scheduled to bring American Michael Foale home after a 4 1/2-month stay and to deliver urgently needed supplies for the space station, including a replacement computer and repair gear.

There are other factors to consider besides safety, namely, foreign policy and the future of the international space station.
AAA pushes graduated licensing programs

By RANDOLPH SCHMID

WASHINGTON

More driver education and restricted licenses for beginners could stem from the accident toll that claimed the lives of more than 6,000 teen drivers last year, the American Automobile Association says.

The AAA launched a licensed Learn campaign Tuesday in an effort to tighten states' driving requirements for those just learning.

The AAA said that studies show the risk of having an accident declines sharply after someone has three to four years of driving experience. Graduated licensing programs allow youths to gain experience while reducing risk by limiting the situations in which they can drive.

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Renovations Drawn Into the Heart of ND

Editor's note: This is the second installment of a series written by students within the School of Architecture. The columns, under the title The Column of Reason, will deal with the built environment of Notre Dame, focusing in particular on recent additions and changes to our campus.

Laura Bossardt

As a junior in high school, I traveled to Notre Dame for the first time. My mother drove the car, while I anxiously awaited a glimpse of the campus. Our first approach was along Juniper, where I found myself in the midst of some very functional, industrial, and unassuming buildings, intermixed with some hardy asphalt-type building.

Battered and disappointed and unimpressed, I couldn't help but wonder where the majestic buildings and customer-focused, tree-lined campus was. Where was the Golden Dome, the Basilica, or the collegial, student-centered dormitories and academic buildings that have come to be associated with Notre Dame?

Eventually realizing that we could not get to the heart of Notre Dame without stepping out of our automobile and walking, we parked the car. Starting from Notre Dame Avenue, we looked to the skyline for direction and followed the glow of the dome. The campus buildings combined with the archway of trees created an axis that led us to the symbol of Notre Dame.

As we got closer to our destination, the walk unfolded a sense of awe and appreciation within me. Humbled, I could now feel the prestige and integrity of the Notre Dame tradition. Paving the way for St. Mary's statue at the beginning of the "circle," we passed Alumni Hall and the Law School, and proceeded across spacious South Quad to enter the wood-ed, dark quiet of God Quad. Perhaps it was because I was a young, nervous high school student, anxious to receive my fated application to college, that I felt a little daunted upon entering that sacred area, not to mention dwarfed by the ominous Father-Son statue!

Now, I realize that my feelings of mystery and anticipation were heightened because the Dome, the Basilica, and the other buildings on the quad could not be experienced fully as they were masked by overgrown trees and shrubbery. There always seems to be a special quality about being on foot to experience nature as well as architecture.

Today as I walk from the architecture building through the alley between the Basilica and Sorin into God Quad, it is difficult to miss the human hand that has touched the space. I am greeted with an open-air feeling, instead of a dark foreboding, due likely to the removal of trees and foliage.

Hopefully, the trees were deaired, as not to disrupt the already established nature of the space. However, more-shapely trees and flowers have replaced those that are missing and will likely take some years to grow in. The paving has been widened considerably, now able to accommodate a large truck, or perhaps throngs of football fans. This paving has a quality of human urgings, pumping campus goers to important areas throughout Notre Dame. I especially appreciate the axis provided for the Studebaker memorial fountain. The fountain acts as a focal point which directs the eye beyond to Hesburgh Library, our prominent 14-story tower of knowledge.

As for another change, the beautiful Jesus statue has been enclosed with a stone ring, once again becoming a reflection area. A little less likely to fall down as it did three years ago. But the ring under the statue could have allowed for a relaxing, reflective seating area, but there is a terracing of the stone block to form steps. Regardless, the new wooden benches that have been placed along the central spine of the quad are a welcome addition and have already attracted many students as a place to study. If the goal of the campus designers was to bring more people to the heart of Notre Dame, I believe the renovation of God Quad is a success. The quad has been tidied up, and the newly planted trees will grow soon enough. The paving that has been added is suitable for the amount of people that will walk through God Quad in the future. Yet, the renovations that continue inside the Dome are cause for attention.

I worry that if the Dome, the symbol of Notre Dame, is being made strictly into a museum for campus visitors, as is rumored, and not the prominent, functioning administration building it once was, God Quad will not be as enjoyable an experience.

In fact, the need to walk through God Quad to get to the Dome would primarily cater to campus visitors and not the student body. If the Dome is only a museum, it would become a stagnant building without a role in campus life, a roped-off observatory, and not the living, breathing, vital building that it was for me seven years ago.

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An allowance for death?

Father Richard McCormick's account of the morality of refusing or withdrawing life-sustaining treatment to persons in a persistent vegetative state (PVS) is distasteful, not because it is in a widely held view among antistealthers, and proportionals in both episcopal and academic theological circles, as Father McCormick himself enumerates (Sept. 23).

At the heart of Father McCormick's account is the proposition that the choice to withdraw food and water from a PVS patient is not the cause of that person's death, as was argued in these pages by Charles Filan. Rather, what is at issue is the "underlying lethal pathology," which, once nourishment is abated, takes its natural course and causes the death. Therefore, refusing or removing food and water is not killing, but merely "allowing to die," an attribution felicitously free of the moral gravity of something like "killing." What Father McCormick's analysis of causation muddles is the centrality of morally significant choice and intention in the action of removing food and water. Whenever a person's dying is intended, either as a means or an end, that person has been killed. The fact that the means chosen to further the death happen to be an act of omission rather than commission is irrelevant. The fact that the choice to deploy such means is done out of sincerely felt conviction and mercy is simply irrelevant to the strictly moral question of choice, intention and object of action. One is therefore left wondering, after reading Father McCormick's no doubt well-intentioned and sincere, how the intention to remove food and water from a PVS patient—who continues to subsist as a person, underlying pathology and all—is not an intention, even if in the most benignly motivated way, of killing?

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Wrong Side Up

A couple of weeks ago, I was exercising my mind, watching "Days of Our Lives" and enjoying a plug bag of Orville Redenbacher popcorn. I was happy as a little clam, living the good life and only marginally annoyed with the stupidity of the people of Salem.

Margaret Shaheen

At Peace with Health Services

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Mary Monako Lauck
Saint Mary's '79, South Bend
September 16, 1997

At Peace with Health Services

Time to Remember that We are all Somebody

Last night I sat in an "I'm Thumbsy" training session and to my surprise I found myself surrounded by a roomful of Saint Mary's College volunteers. As a South Bend Saint Mary's alumna I felt a small pride and joy to be graced with the energy and presence of such a group of women. I was taken back to my col­legiate days when the Saint Mary's community service and volunteering had been instilled in me by my alma mater.

During the course of our "I'm Thumbsy" training we learned how to help third graders in area elementary schools to feel special because "there's no one quite like me or you." Like our thumbprints which each of us possess, no two people are alike in the third world, but rather are unique and special. The goal of the program is to increase awareness of each child's self-worth and acceptance of him/herself and others. Emphasis is placed on the concept that the numerous differences between individual volunteers are expected, natural, unique and desirable.

The Mental Health Association of St. Joseph County has sponsored these "I'm Thumbsy" programs for 15 years. The association then is relatively new at dealing with this concept that I had been taught through the tradition of Saint Mary's. As a local alumna since my graduation in 1979, I have continued to experience the wonder of my specialness and to discover what the Lord's will is for me. Often times I find myself back on campus, attending an alumnae board meeting, or a lecture on spirituality or celebrating Mass on campus just for the aura of Saint Mary's campus and to remember my roots.

At the end of the "I'm Thumbsy" training session, we were instructed to sign up for the hours of available volunteer time we could contribute. It was then that I overheard the "Saint Mary's students'" voices. Among those volunteers were two females who recently authored by Notre Dame women that had insulted and hurt them deeply. I questioned them out of curiosity and found a student promptly placing the article in my hands. Upon skimming it, I was sickened and deeply suf­fered by the missteps of these students' time and talent.

I was again brought back to my college days when I attended both Saint Mary's and Notre Dame. I told them briefly of the mistreatment I endured by my own fellow Saint Mary's classmates because I wore an Army uniform. As the first Saint Mary's student to be commissioned in Notre Dame's Army ROTC pro­gram, the pioneering effort was to be appreciated. Laughed at and scorned because it "wasn't Human" were small, but caused me deep hurt, and resilient. I had discerned the choice to the best of my knowledge that was the will of the Lord for me.

But yet still did have to continue on in this direction? Can't the students of today learn from the mistakes of their forefathers and mothers?

How could I address this age-old challenge? That each of us needs to go back to third grade for an "I'm Thumbsy" presentation? Perhaps the Mental Health Association needs to find funding for the college community to remind us of our uniqueness and specialness in our choices. That uniqueness included where we chose to attend college.

It is my prayer for the Saint Mary's Notre Dame family that we remember and value our individual uniqueness.

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Encountering spirituality and yourself

By BRIDGET RZEZUTKO
Assistant Writer

Not only are high academic standards a top priority in the Notre Dame/Saint Mary's community, but so are spiritual and personal growth.

Greg Vanslambrook, a senior from Dillon Hall, attended a Notre Dame Encounter during his freshman year. "It was the defining point in my Notre Dame experience. It is not just a feel-good experience but a way to shock the liberties of yourself and see the good in other people. It was an enlightening experience," he said.

The Notre Dame Encounter (NDE) is a three-day weekend beginning on a Friday morning and ending on a Sunday evening. The retreat provides students with an opportunity to explore both their relationship with God and their commitment to living a Christian lifestyle.

"Each retreat takes on its own character. The participants are what make the retreat possible. A lot of unexpected events occur. It is full of surprises. An NDE small group bonds on a retreat weekend." Vanslambrook remembers.

The roots of the NDE are strong on this campus. It first began back in 1987 when Sister Jo Giarranle and Brother Bonaventure Scully took a group of 10 Notre Dame students to Richmond, Va., where the students participated in a college retreat program sponsored by the Diocese of Richmond. The students wholeheartedly participated in the retreat and put what they learned into effect at Notre Dame. Hence the NDE officially began with the first retreat in February of 1987, adapted from the Richmond model.

Now, over a decade later, the NDE is a regular occurrence that yields a significant impact on its participants. The goal of these retreats is just that — to provide an opportunity for students to come together, share experiences of God in their lives and to recognize God in others.

"Many of the facts that Notre Dame Encounter is one of the premier college encounter retreats in the country is that lives are significantly impacted and the faith of our students greatly enhanced with each retreat," Father Jim Lies, rector of Zahm Hall, said.

Heather Bluem, a junior from Howard Hall, agrees. "I wasn't all that religious before I went on an encounter, but I found it was an incredible experience. People often stereotype the type of people they think attend such functions, but the participants vary greatly. The weekend is a chance to get away and not even think about school work. I have never talked to anyone who has regretted going.

Today the retreat is co-directed by both Lies and Sister Sue Bruno, rector of Pasquerella West. They took over leadership from Father Tom Gaughan, who directed the program for eight years.

Since its inception, NDE has provided students with opportunities to explore the religious part of their life. "The retreat is structured so that God may come through and reach the people on it," Vanslambrook commented. Vanslambrook was a team leader for NDE his sophomore year. As a team leader he helped organize the retreat along with eight other team leaders and one student coordinator, who directs the retreat.

"The students put quite a bit of time into planning the retreat. My experience with the students is a remarkable one. The effects of the retreat are ones they will carry with them for years," Bruno remarks.

The students work together in groups, each group leading a discussion in spirituality with the chance to openly share his or her beliefs.

"It's an incredible opportunity to figure out where you are going in life and see the big picture," junior Scott Cullen said.

The Board is comprised of four campus ministers and eight students. These coordinators plan the weekends of the retreats, finalize details and make sure the team members have everything they need.

Laura Kalgran, a junior at Saint Mary's, participated in the encounter as a freshman, teaming a retreat as a sophomore and is on the Board this year. "A lot of soul searching takes place on a retreat. It is a chance to find out where you are on your walk with Christ. It is an honor to be involved," she said.

"This year we hope to make the applications more accessible to students, especially those on the Saint Mary's campus, because anyone who is willing is able to attend. I don't feel as if too many Saint Mary's students know about the program," she added.

The application process is relatively simple. Applications must be turned in four weeks before the retreat weekend. They are made available from the library office of Campus Ministry on a Monday and are due by Friday of the application week.

Due to the limited space at the Fatima Retreat Center, located on the west end of campus, only 36 people can be accommodated each of the five retreats given each year. A lottery is enacted in order to randomly pick participants when applications exceed the space available.

The first retreat of the year will be held the weekend of Oct. 3-5. The other four retreats are scheduled for Nov. 14-16, Jan. 30-Feb. 1, Feb. 27-March 1, and March 27-29. If interested, more information can be found by calling Lies, Bruno or the library office of Campus Ministry.

A special thanks to Father Jim Lies for all his help regarding this article.
Shawn Dunston hit a tiebreaking single in the sev­ enth inning and the Chicago Pirates held their ground in the NL Central race Tuesday night, winning 3-2 over New York.

The Pirates took 3 ½ games behind Houston, which beat Chicago 2-0, and moved two behind the Mets, who lost 2-1 to Philadelphia.

The Mets lost their fourth in a row, and games behind Houston, which also had a two-run homer, made it 8-6-3 to start.

Dylan Strickland, who pitched well on their way to spoiling the Pirates, hit a 2-run homer, scored two runs with his 8th single, and was 2-for-5 with his 2-run double in the fifth on the Pirates' wild pitch.

The Mets starter Jason Isringhausen walked Tony Womack, and Ward walked to start the sixth and Smith hit an RBI single that brought in reliever Brian Fraser. Dunston followed with an RBI single.

Womack hit the lead in the first inning when he led off with his seventh in the sixth.

Braves 6, Phillies 0

PHILADELPHIA
First, Atlanta rookie Kevin Millwood allowed two advice from teammate Greg Maddux. Then, he went out and pitched like a Cy Young Award winner.

Millwood allowed two hits in eight scoreless innings and Andrew Jones and Michael Tucker hit consecutive home runs, leading the Atlanta Braves to a 6-0 win over the Philadelphia Phillies.

"Maddux said that the mound here was hard to get used to," Millwood said. "I threw some extra pitches during warmups in the Gatorade showers and I felt better as the game went on."

Millwood (5-3) took a no-hitter into the seventh inning but allowed a leadoff single to Mike Lieberthal doubled to right-center field, and thousands stayed to watch the entire game on the scoreboard televisions.

Indians 10, Yankees 9

CLEVELAND
First, Shane Bieber pitched a two-hitter against his former team, the Atlanta Braves, and finished the game with a perfect ninth.

Bieber (1-0) allowed two hits in eight scoreless innings and struck out 11.

The Indians scored an NL record 10 runs in the ninth to win the game 9-8 with a single to right field off of the San Francisco Giants.

"Too bad it couldn't happen, " Bieber said. "I've had a no-hitter, I would have left him in. He pitched real good baseball for us.

Philadelphia manager Terry Francona was impressed with his performance.

"He had a pretty good fastball and a real good breaking ball and he changed speeds well, " Francona said. "Who would have thought 2 years old, and I can see why they like him so much.

Phillies starter Mark Leiter (10-17) allowed 10 hits in seven innings, striking out 11, and walked three.

"Leiter's losses are the most in the NL, " Francona said. "But in 1995, the World Series was the third in six innings.

The Indians, who trailed 9-2 early in the ninth inning, clinched their third straight AL Central title Tuesday night.

After Justice ripped his 32nd home run of the season, littered with their age-old nemesis, the New York Yankees.

About 10 minutes after the final out, Chicago was eliminated with 2-4 and headed to the Red Sox for the second straight year.

The Yankees had 32 of 33. They had also won a two-run homer, made it 8-6-3 to start.

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Sportscaster admits to affair; other issues unclear

By MICHELLE BOORSTEIN
Associated Press

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their 10-year relationship. They

agree on little else.

The defense contends the 42-

year-old woman was obsessed with celebrities such as the 54-

year-old Albert and Peter

, Jennings, the ABC

ews anchor, later denied in a

statement knowing the woman.

"How many of you have seen

the movie "Fatal Attraction"?" defense attorney Roy Black asked potential jurors, refer-

ring to the movie about an

obsessed woman who stalks an

ex-lover.

Outlining the foundation of his defense, Black argued that the woman was lashing back at

Albert because her life was falling apart — she had lost her job and Albert had recently told her he was thinking of getting married to another woman. He was divorced five years ago.

In December 1996, Black said, the woman had been admitted to a mental hospital after a suicide attempt.

Black said the woman asked to be bitten and suggested oral sex because she did not have contraceptives with her. He accused her of meticulously planning to entrap Albert, going so far as to spit his semen into her underwear.

"She's collecting evidence," Black said.

Jurors heard even more details about the relationship between Albert and his accuser during the trial's first day.

Prosecutor Richard Trodden spoke of consensual three-way sex and telephone sex conver-

sations filled with fantasies. He said Albert asked his lover to bring women's underwear to their meetings for him to wear.

Trodden said Albert had repeatedly expressed his wish for three-way sex with another man to his lover before the two met at the Ritz-Carlton Hotel in Arlington on Feb. 12.

He said they watched a pornographic movie before the attack.

Trodden said Albert pinched the woman's cheeks and ignored the woman's pleas of "Stop, you're hurting me," and mocked her, saying, "You know you like this."

The normally stoic Albert looked away from the jury box and began taking notes at this point. His fiancee, ESPN pro-

ducer Heather Faulkinner, sat behind him, expressionless.

One of his two adult children in the courtroom, daughter Denise, winced.

Black, however, told jurors: "Everything that happened that night was consensual. It was the same thing that happened every other night when Mary and (the woman) got together."

The trial is expected to last about a week.

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The Urban Plunge
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What is the Plunge?
The Church & Social Action, colloquially known as the Urban Plunge is a 2-day experience that takes place in one of many cities throughout the US, observing and/or working with individuals, agencies and parishes, which are striving to meet the needs of the disenfranchised of society.

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The Plunge has three major goals:

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Offense remains major concern for stagnant Irish

By BETSY BAKER
Assistant Sports Editor

The offensive problems that exist for the Notre Dame football team right now more or less create a double-edged sword. On one side, there is a problem within the unit—a wavering confidence level and a failure to produce points. On the other side, there is the No. 1 defense in the nation right now more or less creating a time bomb waiting to go off.

"Notre Dame is the best football team right now more or less creating a time bomb waiting to go off.\" Bob Davie hopes, and Michigan head coach Lloyd Carr fears, that using Jackson, while it very well could provide a spark, is worth the cost of shuffling up the shaky Irish offense.

The Irish offense is overdue, and Davie said that he does not feel that using Jackson, while it very well could provide a spark, is worth the cost of shuffling up the shaky Irish offense.

We've talked about that a lot (using Jackson), and there's some merit to that,\" Davie said. "You know, with everything you do, there's a tradeoff. But I just don't think right now that the places outweigh the minuses for doing that."

Ron Powlus will remain the chosen leader of the offense, and Davie has called in outside linebacker Kory Minor to be the play-caller on the defense. Minor has been one of the key leaders of the Irish defense, coming up with key interceptions against both Purdue and Michigan State, with the one against the Spartans setting up the only Irish touchdown of the game.

The Irish defense, which will once again missing inside linebacker Bobbie Howard and end Cory Bennett, who reinjured his knee last week, will have a major challenge ahead of it, going up against a Wolverine running game that is averaging 243 yards a game and alternates three different tailbacks.

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Squads work into midseason form during week two

By BRIAN KESSLER

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Kentucky offense catches Spurrier's attention

By DOUG FERGUSON
Associated Press Writer

GAINESVILLE, Fla. — Florida coach Steve Spurrier is so single-minded about cranking up the Fun 'N Gun that he rarely pays attention to any offense but his own.

But when he saw a replay of Kentucky opened the season by throwing for 299 yards and four touchdowns against Louisville, then threw for seven touchdowns in a 49-0 win last week at Indiana, Spurrier couldn't help but take a peek.

"I did get a chance to watch what they did a little bit this week," Spurrier said. "I'm sort of curious to bow they're doing it." 

After all, No. 1 Florida has beaten the Wildcats by a combined score of 180-14 the past two years.

Kentucky opened the season by beating Illinois State, before taking on No. 1 Florida, its first opponent this year.

"I did get a chance to watch them," Spurrier said. "They're a little more heavy toward the pass than we are," Spurrier said.

Through three games, Florida has run 206 plays, divided evenly among the run and the pass. Kentucky even has a catchy nickname: "Air Raid '97." 

"It's a different Kentucky team than the ones we have been playing," Spurrier said.

Spurrier tried to recruit Couch, a 6-foot-5 sophomore, a year ago. "I think everyone realizes that Kentucky has got the No. 1 offense in the conference right now, and the No. 1 pass offense," Spurrier said. "And what about Couch?" "He's a big-time prospect," Spurrier said. "He throws a nice, catchable pass. Now he's got an offensive coach and a system there that's going to enable him to break all the records.

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"I was really excited about seeing her," Susan commented. "I hadn't seen her in about two months. It was nice to see her after all this time."

After the game, there was a small family reunion of sorts, with both sisters, their parents, and other assorted guests. Denise had two kills with a .250 hitting percentage while Susan came up with a service ace.

The Irish, now 7-5 on the season, will take the next 10 days off from competition before beginning the quest for their third straight Big East title.

"We are going to be changing our lineup," Brown remarked. "We have some new ideas that we're going to work on, and most of it will affect our offensive style. We need to work on a lot of things that need to be straightened out and try to put some things back together."

The Irish will finish their six-game homestand with matches against St. John's, Connecticut and non-conference opponent Illinois State, before taking their title defense on the road.

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### N D pounds Marquette in three-set match

The Notre Dame volleyball team has always been strong, often defeating its opponents in three sets, as seen in the latest match against Marquette. The Irish took wins in sets 15-3, 15-4, and 15-5, with only one error in the third set. Despite a short rally by the Golden Eagles, the Irish took control, winning by a wide margin.

**Irish control Eastern Illinois**

**Turner keys home victory over hapless regional opponent**

By DAN LUZIETTI and TOM STUDEBAKER

The Notre Dame men's soccer team defeated Eastern Illinois last night by a score of 1-0. It was the second win in a row for the Irish, who boosted their record to 4-2-2 in the season. We definitely came into the game with some clear cut goals in mind, and I feel that we did a good job accomplishing them," head coach Mike Berticelli said. "First and foremost we wanted a shutout against Eastern Illinois. We also tried to create better scoring chances up front. We created a lot, but now we need to finish more of those chances."

Senior co-captain Ryan Turner scored the lone goal of the game off a Scott Wells pass from the end line. Turner has stepped up his play in the past five games, accounting for five of Notre Dame's six goals in that span. Turner's season totals of five goals and four assists lead the Irish. The loss dropped Eastern Illinois to 0-8-1 on the season, but the Panthers continue to play with heart. The loss was their fifth decided by one goal this season.

**Eagles no match for Harris and company**

**ND pounds Marquette in three-set match**

By BILL HART

Despite close losses throughout the season, Notre Dame's volleyball team has always managed to rebound and win the next match, usually by a wide margin. Last night, the Irish continued in that same manner, defeating the Marquette Golden Eagles easily in three sets, 15-3, 15-4, and 15-5.

In the first game, the Irish took a 4-0 lead before Marquette called its first timeout. The team then added two more points before the Golden Eagles finally got on the board. Despite a short rally by the Golden Eagles, the Irish took the second game handily. Marquette took a quick 4-2 lead in the third set, but the Irish went on an 11-0 run before the Golden Eagles could respond. The Irish were led once again by senior hitter Angie Harris, who scored a team-high 13 kills on 21 attempts with only one error. She was backed by fellow senior Jaimie Lee and freshman Christi Gorton, who recorded six and seven kills respectively. Late in the match, freshman Katie Ward got her first action of the season, registering one kill and serving an ace during the last few plays. "Overall, we did very well," head coach Debbie Brown said. "I'm proud of how everyone played, and I think we were well-prepared for this match. I think we're starting to overcome some obstacles we've been having this season. Marquette didn't put a lot of pressure on us tonight, and I think that makes a lot of difference during the course of the match."

The match statistics were stacked in Notre Dame's favor, as the Irish turned in a hitting percentage of .469 to the Golden Eagles' .102. Along with the best hitting percentage in its past 50 matches, the team also held a 5-4 blocking edge and held a 15-9 edge in total kills. Harris' .321 hitting percentage was the second-best performance of her Irish career, topped only by a first-round NCAA tournament match against Ohio State last season.

The match held a special significance for freshman Denise Boylan, whose sister Susan is a junior on the Golden Eagle squad. She contributed to the Irish effort on Tuesday night against her sister's Marquette Golden Eagles.