Committee proposes freeze on tuition hikes

By FINN PRESSLY

Following months of research, the CLC's Undergraduate Finance Committee opened discussion on the position of a freeze in tuition increases.

"One thing we're considering is the recommendation that the university freeze all tuition increases for the next few years," said Brian O'Donoghue, chair of the committee.

The committee presented evidence that is both theological and historical in nature.

"Vatican II and a recent Bishop's economical letter both spoke about the affordability of education and its availability to all people. Currently, the University of Notre Dame does not meet this standard," O'Donoghue said.

"The history has always been that we were founded as a blue collar working school," he continued. "We are not being true to our Catholic mission and historical mission.

O'Donoghue noted that such a move would make Notre Dame the first school in U.S. News and World Report's top 20 to take such a strong action against spiraling tuition, and that the impact on academic success would be palpable. "The students who work 60-100 hours a week to maintain membership in this university could spend more time studying and less time being employees," said O'Donoghue.

"It would help to alleviate problems on campus, but also problems off campus," he said. "People will start to see that a school that cares about the raising cost of tuition.

O'Donoghue made reference to the $35.9 billion budget surplus reported by the University to the Board of Trustees, as well as the fact that the National Generation campaign is running well ahead of schedule.

Parliamentarian Tim Keller was first to applaud the concept. "I think it's a novel idea," he said. "Rather than increasing the number of scholarships, decrease the overall cost. It accomplishes the same end, decrease the overall cost," he said. "Rather than increasing the number of scholarships, decrease the overall cost. It accomplishes the same end, decrease the overall cost.

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We realize there's lots of work to be done on this," he said. "I think that based on what we've heard today, we'll sit down with the Budget Office and look at the hard data.

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**Riddle Me That With a Game**

Scenario: There is no scenario. No, there is not! And that's it. Until we've got one thing straight.

It's here, which was the week since the article that "launched a thousand letters" was published. The column was 532 words long. I calculated actually, I calculated, the computer counted, but I might as well take a stab.

The responses which have been published in The Observer since then, both those expressing admiration and revulsion of that advice, have apparently summed approximately 5,000 words. That's a lot.

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...children as a whole." Bradley said, noting that in most municipalities non-progressive property taxes fund education. Problem arise when some districts become richer than others and board excess funds while others are lacking, he said. Bradley went on to say that we must define the basic education program and guarantee that all schools enjoy the funding needed to attain that level.

Bradley took on what he called the Republican Party's definition of family values by identifying a social obligation to provide struggling parents with a helping hand. The topic of family values has been redefined to cover a broader area than the Republicans have already conceived of," Bradley said.

Instead of being turned off by the problems of single-parent households, poverty, drug use and teenage pregnancy, we need to relocate our attention on the children, he emphasized.

"A real problem is not enough. Parents make enough money to spend time with their children," he said. "And the fundamental problem is single parenthood."

On this note, Bradley disparaged the welfare reform bill that requires mothers to return to work after two years.

"It was a short-sighted effort for one main reason — it broke the bond between mother and child," said Bradley.

As a possible solution, Bradley mentioned the idea of fifteen-month houses where single teenage mothers can live and learn how to take care of their children. Incentives for marriage and discouraged for having more children are also important, Bradley said.

Also, Bradley emphasized the father's responsibility in parenting. One of his ideas is the use of DNA testing to officially identify birth fathers and force unwilling ones to make child support payments either by placing levies on wages or by intercepting tax refunds.

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Clinton again faces scrutiny

WASHINGTON

In legal woes on a new front, President Clinton was questioned by FBI agents and Justice Department lawyers Monday in an investigation of whether he benefited illegally from Democratic Party advertisements during the 1996 campaign. The questioning came in a 90-day inquiry begun in September to determine if an independent counsel should be appointed to conduct a full investigation. Attorney General Janet Reno has until Dec. 7 to decide whether to ask a special three-judge panel to name a special prosecutor. If Reno proceeds, Clinton would be the first president to be investigated by two independent counsels. Clinton has denied any wrongdoing.

Dalai Lama visits U.S.

WASHINGTON

The Dalai Lama said Monday that Tibetans in his Himalayan homeland are "victims of human rights violations" as Chinese officials jail monks and nuns for publicly seeking more freedom. The Buddhist leader, who fled Tibet in 1959 to escape Chinese rule, said human rights advocates must never give up their fight against what he calls "Tibetan slavery." "Nine times failure, nine times effort," the Dalai Lama said, speaking at an awards ceremony at Georgetown University.

U.S. signs nuclear accords

GENEVA

Negotiators from the United States and 27 countries from the former Soviet Union signed new accords Monday to ensure that medium-range nuclear weapons stay out of their arsenals. The accords are follow-ups to the Intermediate Range Nuclear Forces Treaty that former President Reagan signed with the Soviet Union in 1987. The treaty, which banned the missiles, ended inspections for the first time. The new agreements make amendments to inspection procedures needed to assure that all sides stick to the accord. The United States continues to inspect a Russian plant in Votkinsk that former President Gorbachev at the White House in 1991. The United States and the international community have urged the United States and the international community to respect the accord. The United States has the capability to quickly resurrect chemical weapons in Iraq's suspected secret weapons arsenals. Former President Jimmy Carter, who is now in his 50th year, called for a moratorium on chemical and biological weapons. The United States would be alone in its effort to isolate and punish Iraq for chemical and biological weapons. The United States is in the process of rebuilding a nuclear weapons arsenal. The United States is working to restructure a nuclear weapons arsenal.

World leaders lobby for hurricane aid

CARLOS FLORES FACUSSE

President of Honduras

Overwhelmed by disaster, grim-faced Central American leaders gathered Monday to appeal for more aid in recovering from Hurricane Mitch even as a growing army of rescue workers struggled to help hundreds of thousands of victims. Honduran President Carlos Flores Facusse called his country's $4.2 billion debt "unpayable" after one of the worst natural disasters of this century in the Americas.

In 72 hours, we lost what we had built, little by little, in 50 years," he told a news conference following the summit.

Some European leaders already were proposing to help, echoing a plan made last week by former President Jimmy Carter, French Prime Minister Lionel Jospin on Monday called for a moratorium on debt payments owed by countries hit by Mitch.

Honduran ambassador to the United States Edgardo Dumas Rodriguez said the region "urgently needs a massive aid program" similar to the Marshall Plan that helped Europe recover from World War II. Hundreds of people swarmed around three U.S. Army Chinook helicopters that delivered 32,000 pounds of food and medicines Monday to a soccer field in Verapaz, about 80 miles north of Tegucigalpa. Many areas were still receiving aid.

In Honduras alone, 700,000 people will need food for the next month. U.N. World Food Program representatives Giuseppe Luhati estimated.

And in Washington, U.S. Army Secretary Louis Caldera said the U.S. Army is considering altering the tasks of some 3,000 National Guard soldiers who had been scheduled to travel to Honduras between January and June. He said the troops could be used to help rebuild infrastructure.

President Flores Facusse of Honduras, Arnoldo Alemán of Nicaragua, Armando Calderón Sol of El Salvador and Miguel Angel Rodríguez de Costa Rica met at San Salvador's international airport for a quick summit.

Guatemalan Foreign Minister Eduardo Stein also attended the meeting. There was none of the joint hacking-cum-concerts at regional summits as most of the leaders walked grimly past reporters into their sessions.

The presidents were trying to coordinate often-chaotic relief efforts and to plan long-term priorities—such as restoring destroyed roads.

CIA warns of Iraq danger

WASHINGTON

Iraq could rebuild its chemical and biological arsenals if international arms inspections ceased, the CIA said Monday as the Clinton administration prepared options on the latest standoff.

Iraq has "the capability to quickly resurrect weapons of mass destruction production absent U.N. sanctions," the CIA reported to lawmakers. Although the report predicts disaster, the latest flurry of activity involving Iraq, a U.S. intelligence official said Monday that the assessment reflects the agency's current thinking.

Administration officials are debating whether continued inspections or an open-ended threat of military force can root out Iraq's suspected secret weapons cache. Ten days ago, Saddam Hussein declared a halt to cooperation with the U.N. Special Commission that searches for chemical and biological weapons. But President Clinton's national security team has developed options for him that include air strikes.

A concern that could rule out strikes is that Iraq might respond by permanently banning the international search for illegal chemical and biological weapons.

At the State Department, spokesman James Rubin said he has been "dispelled suggestions that the United States was alone in its effort to isolate and punish Iraq for noncompliance with international arms inspections.

"What has happened in recent weeks is we've seen the reallocation and the collection of the entire world that Iraq is in noncompliance, that this current problem is Iraq's fault," Rubin said.

Saudi and Egyptian officials have urged the United States and the international community to pursue diplomatic rather than military solutions to the standoff.

Once again, it appeared that only Britain was ready to join the United States in a threat of force against Iraq.
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cerned departments are exam-
ining:
1. What is the level of academic aspiration at Notre Dame?
2. What about the specific religious identity of Notre Dame?
3. How can Notre Dame best identify its peer institutions?
4. What kinds of models and affiliations can University officials imagine?
5. What is the future of intercollegiate athletics?
6. What is the role television contracts will play?
7. Why is the perception of our alumni and major benefactors of the move?

Malloy noted that the Big Ten first approached Notre Dame with the possibility of membership, and had originally hoped for a private discussion.

"The Big Ten made an overture to our Athletic Department and indicated they wanted to move forward with a 12th team," Malloy told the senate. "It was intended not to be a public discussion.

The topic of financial issues was the first area Malloy chose to discuss in his remarks to the Senate. The tie between financial aid and budgetary elements were the academic aspirations of Notre Dame.

"We have long been losing too much financial aid," Malloy said. "We have to wait until our intensive efforts at fundraising are successful," Malloy said.

In other Faculty Senate News: An investigation of the Women's Resource Center (WRC) probation issue again dominated discussion for the Senate's Student Affairs Committee.

The committee primarily discussed the string of events that occurred in May 1998 which culminated with the Office of Student Activities' decision to place the WRC on two-year probationary status for providing pro-choice abortion literature to inquiring students.

"There are huge issues of procedural fairness here," said committee chair Ava Preacher, assistant dean of the College of Arts and Letters. It's not at all clear in this case if clubs are to be handled differently in disciplinary procedures than individuals."

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WASHINGTON  Reflective and partisan by turns, House Speaker Newt Gingrich said Monday night he decided to retire rather than fight for a new term last week because his continued presence would have become an "exhume for divisiveness and factional­ism" inside Republican ranks.

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Do You Remember NKOTB? Then You Must Be Old

Last week in my “U.S. Presidency” course we watched a tape of Ronald Reagan’s First Inaugural Address. Then, the dear man, was having a good hairday. Nature looked smashing. Bush’s face was Pre-Stroke and thus comparatively wrinkle-free. And halfway through the speech it occurred to me that at the time it was delivered, the freshmen in the room WEREN’T EVEN EMBRYOS YET.

Mary Beth Ellis

And I laid my head upon my formerly jelly bracelet-covered arm and realized: I am old.

The fact that I still contend with zits on a regular basis does not negate the reality that one of the children whom I used to baby-sit will begin Driver’s Ed next month. I’m old.

There are certain virtues, however, to being old. You acquire a particular kind of wisdom. You gaze back upon the vast expanse of your life and certain aspects of it are particularly flattering. For instance, it has occurred to me these months before they bowed off to that big-money field for our children will be.

There are signs that arraying ourselves in neon may not, stylistically, serve me correctly, if both Miss Gibson’s and the Gibson song “Electric Youth” was detected from several miles away and is quite possibly responsible for the greatest bulk of expansion in the ozone layer.

I am told that the top career route for the Class of ‘99 is geriatrics — training ourselves to care for the even-older-than-WE-are baby boomers. I predict that the big-money field for our children will be.

I am sure consolation in facing rapidly increasing oldness, my fellow aged breakdancers, is that with greYWOMEN comes the ability to legally purchase alcohol. We can drink ourselves into a state where we can forget that “forests” ever existed. Come join me for a margarita and a syn

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The "Nasty Feminist Enclave" Debate Continues

Sean Vinck

We can get with the Holy Father and the Church or reject them. Contrary to the claims of some scholars, there is no "common ground" on this matter. Either we act as Catholics or stop calling ourselves a Catholic University.

At Notre Dame, the predication is to preserve this idea of education, not to destroy it. Yes, it is true; my "cohorts" and I want to force this on University of Notre Dame. Notre Dame does not live up to this vision. There was a student group here banding not referring to abortion clinics under the guise of a University-sponsored group. There is a Catholic student group named the "PNA" which is dedicated to preserving Notre Dame into a campus of moral, Marxist depravity. We have a corps of professors who mean endlessness about the need for "open inquiry" on subjects in a "Gender Studies," never admitting the need for religion and faith in the lives of their students. Indeed many of the faculty and student bodies are openly hostile to Church teaching. All of this adds up to a sorry community (professors, administrators, students or staff) who have voiced anger over what they term "censorship" of the "Nasty Little Feminist Enclave" (otherwise known as the Women's Resource Center) to publicize their disagreement by resignation immediately. In keeping with the example of Fr. David Garrick, this move will bring national attention to your cause and might force the weak-willed administration to will under pressure. If you really believe in the righteousness of your beliefs, then this would be the perfect way to organize.

Second, I think that we should scrap the tenure system as it is currently exists. If a faculty member deserves to be employed here, there should be no problem in his proving, on an annual basis, his teaching and research value to the University and its students. This would have the effect of attracting professors dedicated to real Catholic education, as well as weeding out professors who don't support the Church's ideas on pedagogy. Of course, the downside is that there will be a loss of job security for the faculty who do. To compensate, perhaps, we could increase salaries instead of wasting money on endless construction and endowment reinvestment, we could redirect that money to higher salaries, thereby making employment at Notre Dame more attractive. Over time, we would probably lose faculty both good and bad, but we would also save a lot of dedicated, pious faculty members. Also, there is the hope that more opportunities will result from this increase in orthodoxy. New priests, brothers and nuns are always a great source of professors.

Of course, this plan is a big radical, it might not work perfectly, but it's got to work better than what we have now. It is clear that the present tenure system hurts our University, as it allows Professors to peddle their radicalism on students without fear of termination. The predicate to all of this, though, is a revitalization of faith. The information of Notre Dame can only be achieved through Prayer. Only God can save his Mother's University from itself. So, a lot more faith, a lot more prayer and little perseverance, and the reign of the Kingdom will begin.

Congratulations to the Observer for the most idiotic in a series of editorials on campus issues. Dean Wehrlen would be the right thing, and she should be credited for her courage. A note to the editors board-stick to your mission about helping the kingdom, it was at least amusing.

Sean Vinck is a sophomore PLS major. His column appears every other Tuesday.

The issue of gay rights is one which has torn the campus apart over the year. I have been here. In trying to advocate what the Catholic Church teaches (reinforced by several bishops, I have found direct opposition from the voices in the community. I have sought to look through ND's bank- book and know for a fact that $30,000 goes each year, not to seek any other information. I am just not able to have for any reason. As an ex-Reid, I must say this, the truth is always on our side. This love of truth and a willingness to seek out who is the very root of our personal faith as a Christian. Jesus said "You shall know the truth and the truth shall set you free." (John 8:32) The truth is on our side. In the words of Bishop Gumbelton of Detroit, "Absolutely, any student or institution or agency must have as its explicit policy a statement prohibiting any form of discrimination of any kind."

I believe that this is a wonderful opportunity for the Academic Council to take the initiative to make Notre Dame a friendly environment for gay Catholics. Last year's Spirit of Inclusion was the first step on the road to making this dream a reality. Notre Dame belongs on the lists of great universities, not on the lists of oppressive environments as it stands now in gay magazines.

Next Monday is our opportunity, as a student body, to show the Academic Council that we will not stand for oppression. This is our opportunity to take true action. Join the Observer Monday as we take a stand to end discrimination.

L. Matthew Blanckett
ND students get to dance

A trait somewhat unique to Notr
nity to enjoy a dance-friendly do
ormals each

Her Story:

A Week Before: “I’ve got to find a date. I can ask J.Crew boy cause he really knows how to dance. That would be fun. Do I dare ask Chem. boy? I mean, I’d really love to go with him, but I don’t even know if he remembers me from two weeks ago. Maybe I’ll just have my roommate set me up.”

The Day Before: “What do I wear? Do I follow the ‘Peanuts’ theme and dress up like Peppermint Patty, or do I stick with the standard — a short black dress?”

The Night Before: “All right, I suppose I should show my dorm spirit and help decorate my hall. Not that guys really care, but it beats studying for that Biology exam.”

Five Hours Before: (at Spencer’s in the mall) “Hmmm ... Perhaps X-rated fortune cookies are a bit too suggestive. I really don’t know this guy all THAT well. A gag gift can’t fail, can it?”

An Hour Before: “I look fat. My hose just ripped. My hair isn’t curling the way it should. Maybe I can get my roommate to help me. Oh, yes, PDS (Pre-Dance Stress) is kicking in. At least I’m not wearing the Snoopy outfit. Yeah, I look good.”

15 Minutes After the Dance Has Begun: “Well, it’s about time he showed up. He got me flowers, how sweet! And, uh, a Hanson poster???”

At the End of the Dance: “Wow! That was surprisingly fun. I never would have guessed he could swing like that. Now, how do I manage the goodnight part?”

Compiled by Jenelle Williams


Dance the night away

The Week Before: “Isn’t there a dance coming up?”

The Day Before: “Isn’t there a dance coming up?”

Five Hours Before: “I gotta find a date. Do I have clean boxers? Guess I should break out the dog book and start dialing.”

An Hour Before: “I sure hope she isn’t that bad in person. He said she was kind of cute. Ok, I’ll call her.”

45 Minutes Before: “I wonder if I need to tell her what time I’ll pick her up. I’m sure she can figure it out. I mean, it’ll be sometime between 7 and 10 p.m.”

40 Minutes Before: “Ok, I actually have a date. Now I need a ticket. Really should have bought that a week ago. Oh dang. A gift! What should I give her? Flowers, the all occasion, all purpose gift. Now I just have to shower. And where the heck is that ticket guy?”

20 Minutes Before: “Should I steal a flower? Where did that guy get his flower? Maybe she’ll make me cookies.”

5 Minutes After the Dance Has Begun: “And now to get my date, so late. She probably won’t be ready anyhow. Oh well.”

At the End of the Dance: “I knew social dance would come in handy. Where can I get some gum?”

ND dances more than most

By JENELLE WILLIAMS

Why do Notre Dame students occasionally expose themselves to hours, or at least hours, of confusion and anxiousness in exchange for a couple fleeting hours of fun? Perhaps because there is nothing else to do. Or maybe it’s the spirit of it all. The suggestive gifts, the dog books, the choosy themes and the before dance parties are all traditions ingrained in Notre Dame’s social life. Traditions which just aren’t present at a lot of other Universities.

Many other schools only have only a few dances a year. Even with the scarcity, participation, especially among the freshmen class, is typically low at other schools. There is often not the sense that “everyone goes” as there is with Notre Dame dances. For example, at Eastern Michigan, only members of certain sororities and fraternities attend the school-wide events. At the University of Maryland, dances are designed primarily for freshmen. In the eyes of many students, especially upper-classmen, they are usually somewhat pathetic. At Notre Dame, however, almost all on-campus students take part in the dances. Other schools often have seasonal dances, but at Notre Dame student all 27 dorms have four dances offered yearly. SYRs and formats are an integral part of dorm life, the substitute or parallel, one might say, to the Greek System. Thus, they provide not only a way to get to know that special someone, but also an opportunity to bond with fellow hall residents. Due to the quantity of dances, a tremendous amount of pressure is lifted. They become relatively commonplace, allowing the good points to be emphasized and some of the burden to evaporate.

Unlike events at many other universities, Notre Dame dances blend into everyday life and almost guarantee a good time.
Sophomore Monica Gonzalez and junior Annie Makinen (8) led the Irish to victory over Connecticut 1-0. Senior Monica Gonzalez and junior Annie Makinen (8) led the Irish to victory over Connecticut 1-0.

**Soccer**

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age, the second-best percentage among the 63 teams that have played in the NCAA women’s soccer championship since its inception in 1982.

The Irish have been highly successful against this season’s NCAA field posting a 7-1-1 record including wins over Connecticut in the first round, Syracuse, Indiana, Michigan and Wisconsin. The Irish also played to a 1-1 tie against Connecticut earlier this season. Notre Dame’s only loss came in the hands of North Carolina, 5-1, in September at Chapel Hill, N.C. Notre Dame will host either Michigan, who the Irish defeated 1-0 in double overtime two weeks ago, or Xavier. Michigan finished the regular season with a 13-6-1 record advancing to the semifinals of the Big Ten Tournament, while Xavier was 11-6-2.
Tennis

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Fernandez of Marquette, 6-0, 6-1. In the second round Varnum turned in another straight set victory over Michelle Makto of Ohio State, 6-2, 6-4. Varnum faced greater challenges when the tournament started up again on Friday morning. Facing 14th seeded Alice Rangsithienchai, Varnum took her game to a new level. After winning a close opening set 7-5, Varnum dominated in the second set winning 6-1 to take the match in straight sets. Varnum’s third-round victory made her the only Irish player to advance to the quarterfinals in the single’s bracket. The challenges would only grow for Varnum in the quarterfinals when she faced 11th-seeded Leon Kansuthi of Eastern Michigan. Winning the first set in a convincing manner, 6-1, Varnum dropped a close second set 7-6. Losing her first set of the entire tournament didn’t phase Varnum as she rallied back to dominate the final set 6-1, taking the match two sets to one. Varnum fought valiantly in the semifinals against 12th-ranked Lund. Losing the first game 7-5, she regained her composure and won the second set 7-5. Lund proved to be too much for Varnum in the third set, however, winning a 7-5 and advancing to the finals, two game to one. Despite being only a freshman, the Irish were not surprised by Varnum’s strong showing.

“She [Varnum] got a good draw,” Velasco said. “She played really hard but came up just a little short.” Velasco advanced to the second round by defeating Purdue’s Lisa Walgenbach, 4-6, 6-2, 6-0. However in the second round, Velasco fell to eventual semifinalist Kung, 6-7, 6-2, 6-4. “The girl I played against just played really well,” Velasco said. “She had a great tournament.” Junior Kelly Zalinski rebounded from a first round loss to Natalie Soetrisno of Miami to advance to the consolation semifinals. Zalinski defeated Carrie Townsend, Rox Sweeney and Pamela Rodriguez in straight sets before falling to Jessica Anderson of Indiana, 6-1, 7-5.

In doubles action, the Irish placed all three of their teams into the quarterfinals with the team of Hall and Rasoo advancing to the semifinals before falling to second-seeded Kryss Bascoli and Britanina Harris of Ohio State 6-4, 6-3.

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5:15 - 6:00 Beverly Miller of Love Over Vengeance (including video interviews of death row prisoners in Michigan City)
6:00 - 7:00 Break for dinner
7:00 - 8:00 Bill Felice and Jennifer Jones of Murder Victim Families for Reconciliation
8:00 - 9:00 Panel discussion. Panel members include Fr. Joe Ross, S.J., chaplain of the Michigan City prison, and Notre Dame students corresponding with prisoners.
9:00 - 9:30 Discussion

All events in room 102 DeBartolo

Amnesty International
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Tennis

Women’s Veteran Boxing Meeting — There will be a mandatory informational meeting on Tuesday, Nov. 10 at 7 p.m. in the boxing room, downstairs in the Joyce Center. We will be preparing for the spring season and a fall fundraiser. Any questions please call Meghan McCurday at 4-3769.

Faculty/Staff/Family Tennis Clinic — Bring your own racquet to the Eck Tennis Pavilion for this free clinic presented by the Men’s and Women’s Varsity Tennis Teams. Stroke Analysis and Playing Situations highlight this event from 6-7:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 18. Don’t forget your tennis shoes. Call RecSports at 1-6100 for more information.
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Irish scored wins in all but three events against Pittsburgh, winning 194-106. They also gave up only two wins in defeating Purdue 195-106 and Miami 218-82.

"I don't think we could have asked for anything better at this point in the season," women's coach Bailey Weathers said. "All in all, it was a really good meet, and a really good experience."

Sophomore Carrie Nixon and freshman Kelly Becking were double winners over all teams in the sprint freestyle and backstroke events, respectively.

Freshman Allison Lloyd found herself defeating all but Miami's Amanda Furlano in the 100 and 200 breaststrokes. Also defeating all competition were juniors Allison Newell and Liz Barger in the butterfly events, and freshman Heather Mattingly in three-meter diving.

With no meet the weekend prior, the Irish settled into a rigorous training schedule. This allowed for some doubt as to weather the Irish would see a three-way victory, according to Weathers.

"We had a hard week of training, so we thought it would be a difficult situation," Weathers said. "It wouldn't have surprised us to be beat by one of the teams."

"Purdue had some good swimmers, but we were much deeper than any of the other teams," Barger said, noting that Pittsburgh placed third behind Notre Dame and Miami (Fla.) at February's Big East Championships.

The women now stand at 5-2 for the season and look to be a dominant force at the Minnesota Invitational, Nov. 20-22.

The men's swim team placed second in its meet this weekend, beating Miami, but falling to Purdue and Iowa State.
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Friday-Saturday, November 13-14, 5:30 pm-5:00 pm, Lindenwood
Learning To Talk About Race Retreat

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Notre Dame posts strong finishes in Penn State Open

Individuals from the Notre Dame fencing team competed in the Max Garret Penn State Open this past weekend. The Notre Dame team sent 21 fencers to University Park, Pennsylvania for a preseason tune-up.

Notre Dame's women's epee squad was represented by a first place showing from 1997 NCAA women's epee champion Magda Krol. Fellow women epeeists Kiersten Ferguson and captain Nicole Mustilli placed 22nd and 27th respectively. Irish women's foilists and three-time All-Americans Myriah Brown and Sara Walsh both finished in the top ten. Walsh placed fifth, while Brown took the number seven spot. Aimee Kalogera (26th), Stacey Noem (37), Gina Couri (48th) and Liz Dailey (50) also represented the Irish fencing team in women's foil.


In men's foil Charles Hayes was the top Irish competitor gaining a number 14 finish. Freshman Andre Crompton had a strong showing finishing 22nd. Junior Chris Brough and senior, captain Stephane Auriol placed 46th, 43rd and 52nd respectively.

Freshman Brian Casas was the bright spot for the Irish competitors in men's epee. Casas had a 16th place showing while fellow epeeists Dominic Guarnaschelli, Scott Gabler and Nitin Chandra finished 45th, 51st and 55th respectively.

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Thursday ★ November 12th ★ 7:30 p.m.
DeBartolo Room 141
Belles improve times despite winless record

By M. SHANNON RYAN
Sue's Story (Editor)

The Saint Mary's swim team sank in its third straight meet over the weekend, falling 72-35 to Lake Forest and just missing catching the University of Chicago 53-48. The Belles' winless record may indicate that it is in hot water, but with swimmers steadily improving their times over the weekend, they will most likely be primed for conference meets.

"We improved our times in almost every event," coach Jim Stone said. "They were aggressive in all of their races, from start to finish."

Despite the loss, Saint Mary's is keeping its head up. "It's not disappointing because we swam so well individually," said junior co-captain Michelle Samreta. "We've already improved so much since Transylvania [the previous weekend's loss] to Chicago." The 400-meter medley relay continued to paddle the Belles forward in their placing. The four-some of Noreen Gillespie, Ann Yanda, Wendy Neumann and Samreta shaved five seconds off of their winning time from their last meet to finish second against Chicago.

Samreta attributed the speedy time to harder and longer practices. "I guess you can call them lactic acid sets," she said. "Our practices were a lot more intense and got us ready for the weekend."

Sophomore Olivia Smith seemed to be motorized in the water. She clipped 21 seconds off of her time in the 1,000-meter freestyle to finish in second place. Smith also took second in the 500-meter freestyle, while her teammate Alicia Lesneski touched the wall right before for the win.

In addition, freshman Danielle Clayton remained a strong point for Saint Mary's. She earned three first-place finishes on the road against the host team. In the 50-meter freestyle, Clayton was just 12 seconds off of the school record.

She also earned a blue-ribbon finish for the Belles in the 100-meter freestyle. Along with freshman Lesneski, Smith and Tara Thomas, Clayton helped bring home a win in the 400-meter freestyle relay.

"I think we have a strong group of freshmen who came out this year," Samreta said. "What's so good about that is that they don't take over the team, but contribute to the already powerful force and talent that we have."

Samreta proved she is a vital link in that powerful force, tying for first-place in the 100-meter breaststroke. Her time of 1:11.47 was just a half second off of the school record which she already owns and hopes to break again.

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Weekly
Every Tuesday evening from 7:00-8:30 at Unity Church of Peace, 905 E. Colfax Avenue, South Bend, IN. The service consists of silent zazen and group chanting of precepts. Tea and discussion afterward.

Monthly
Day-long retreats the second Sat. of each month, 8AM-5PM at University Pk, Apartments in Mishawaka, IN. East of Notre Dame campus on Douglas Rd. near Grape Rd.

When and where to practice zazen with the South Bend Zen Group

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"The Catholic Church in China"
a discussion by
The Most Rev. Aloysius Jin, S.J.
Bishop of Shanghai

Tuesday, November 10
4:15 p.m.
C-103 Hesburgh Center
Chair: Timothy O'Meara, Provost Emeritus

The Most Reverend Aloysius Jin, S.J., Bishop of Shanghai, has been an important figure in the development of the Catholic Church in China. A devout child whose attendance at daily Mass and participation in a serious prayer life was fostered by his mother, the young Jin maintained his fervor despite her death when he was nine years old. A Jesuit retreat when he was sixteen confirmed his desire to consecrate his life to Christ. He entered the Shanghai Seminary, studied literature, philosophy and languages and later taught at a nearby boarding school. Believing that he was called to yet deeper service of God, he entered the Society of Jesus (Jesuits) in his early twenties. Ordained a priest in 1945, he served the Church in China until his superiors, fearing for his safety, sent him to France to complete his Jesuit training. Studies followed in France, Ireland and Rome, where he received his doctorate in Theology and Dogmatics from Gregorian University. Despite efforts to keep him in Europe, Dr. Jin believed that his place was with his Chinese people and returned there in 1951. He served then as rector of the Shanghai Seminary and later as Superior of all Jesuits in China. In 1953 he was arrested and incarcerated by the Chinese communist government. For the next 25 years he remained their prisoner, finally freed in 1982. After his release he returned to Shanghai and has worked tirelessly since then for the open church in China. Elected Bishop of Shanghai in 1984, he re-established the Shanghai Seminary with a serious curriculum of studies, founded a convnet, developed a library containing religious books and classics in seven languages, and is working on the translation and publication of the Jerusalem Bible in Chinese. He has consistently striven to implement the spirit of Vatican II in the liturgy and life of his people. Even today in his eighties, he maintains the vigorous devotion to his Savior and his Church which deepened his life from boyhood to the present.

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Tuesday, November 10, 1998
CAREER WIZARD

**CELEBRITIES BORN ON THIS DAY**

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Happy Birthday! Take good care of yourself this year. You will be inclined to put yourself second if you don’t make special arrangements and take time to sit back and relax. You will be a bit out of sorts and make things happen, but if you take your time, you will build a solid base that will help you achieve your goals. It is important to enjoy yourself and respect your number. 5, 15, 26, 33, 42.

**ARGES** (March 21-April 19): Your emotions will be unstable if you allow others to take you for granted. Small love affairs or entanglements will develop suddenly; however, they may not be long-lasting. **0000**

It is time to take over your current problems with your best friends and relations and give good advice. Travel for pleasure is encouraged with groups who promise new relationships. **0000**

CANNES (May 15-June 22): Business and pleasure will be readily available if you travel today. Your ability to intrigue colleagues will enhance your position and ensure advancement. **0000**

CANCER (June 22-July 22): Travel will be your best objective today. You can give knowledge by attending seminars. Romance will add excitement in your day. Don’t overload your plate or take too much for granted. **0000**

SCORPIO (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You can be extremely popular if you avoid some love affairs that are tempting. This isn’t the day you get involved. Take your time to see clearly with regard to advancement. **0000**

**TODAY**

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**FRIDAY**

**SATURDAY**

**SUNDAY**

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   8. More popular
   14. Attorney
   17. Child
   22. "Superman" star
   24. Else
   28. High schooler
   31. Tombstone
   33. "South Pacific" co-star
   36. NC
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   41. "I Claudius" ache
   46. Literary collection

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5. 7 - "I, Robot"

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**Sign Up Deadlines:** Thursday, November 12th

**Campus Squash**

**Campus Indoor Soccer (M & W)**

**Campus Table Tennis**
ND seeded fourth in NCAA championships

Special to The Observer

Wednesday night's matchup between Xavier and Michigan on the 48-team field. The Irish will play host to the winner of Wednesday night's matchup between Xavier and Michigan either Friday, Saturday or Sunday Date and time for the match will be determined later this week.

The Irish finished the season with a 19-2-1 record and defeated Connecticut, 3-0, in the BIG EAST championship match Sunday afternoon. It is the fourth consecutive BIG EAST championship for the Irish.

 Ranked No. 4 in the nation, Notre Dame received the fourth seed in the 48-team field.

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Sophomore forward Meces Erikson helped lead the Irish to a fourth seeds in the NCAA Championships.

NCAA First Round game
November 14, 3:30 p.m.

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Saint Mary's swimming lost its third straight meet to Lake Forest and the University of Chicago.

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Luke LaValle and his fellow fencers posted strong performances in the Penn State Open.

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WOMEN'S SOCCER

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The Observer/Jeff Hsu

The Notre Dame women's soccer team, semifinalists in each of the last four years and champions in 1995, has qualified for its sixth consecutive NCAA women's soccer championship and is seeded fourth in the 48-team field. The Irish will play host to the winner of Wednesday night's matchup between Xavier and Michigan either Friday, Saturday or Sunday Date and time for the match will be determined later this week.

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WOMEN'S TENNIS

Hall falls in ITA tournament

By MIKE CONNOLLY
Sports Writer

Ana Fernandez of Marquette, who also teamed with Elisa Penalvo to win the doubles crown, defeated Michelle Lund of Michigan 7-4, 6-4 to capture the singles title of the ITA Midwest Championships at the Eck Tennis Pavilion this weekend.

Fernandez, seeded fifth, had earlier defeat number-one-seeded, Notre Dame sophomore Michelle Davis 7-6, 6-3, 3-6, 6-0, and winning 6-4, 6-0, and hosting Simone King of Illinois in straight sets 6-3, 6-3.

Lund's road to the championship ran through two Irish players, senior All-American Jennifer Hall and freshman Becky Varnum.

Hall had been winning easily in the early rounds winning in straight sets both times. She defeated All Kall of Bradley 6-1, 6-0 and Emily Brampton of Iowa 6-3, 6-0. She looked to be rolling past Lund easily in the first set, winning 6-3 but Lund responded by winning the next two sets 7-6, 7-6 to take the match.

"Lund got lucky on all the big points," senior Marisa Velasco said. "She just played a great tournament. Sh offshore well, but Lund was the big point."

Freshman Becky Varnum proved why she had four state championships and compiled a 68-0 singles record in high school by playing an excellent tournament. Varnum opened the tournament with an impressive straight set victory over Sara seed in the 48-team field. Underdefeated and defending national champion North Carolina (20-0) received the No. 1 seed. Florida, with a 20-1 record, is the No. 2 seed, followed by Santa Clara (19-6-1) at No. 3. Other seeded teams include Portland (No. 5), Connecticut (No. 6), Penn State (No. 7) and Dartmouth (No. 8).

Notre Dame is making its sixth consecutive appearance in the NCAA championships since 1993. The Irish advanced to three straight finals from 1994-96, and won the championship in 1995 with a 1-0 win over No. 1 North Carolina in the semifinals and a 1-0 triple overtime win against undefeated Portland in the championship game. The Irish are 14-0 all-time in their five NCAA championship appearances with a .778 winning percent-

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SWIMMING

Irish triumph in weekend meets

By WES RICHARDSON
Sports Writer

The women's swim team won three dual meets in as many hours Saturday by beating Purdue, Pittsburgh and Miami of Ohio in a quadrangular meet at Rolls Aquatic Center.

The men followed with a four-way meet of their own, defeating Miami and failing to Purdue and Iowa State.

The men's meet included representatives from the Big East, Big Twelve, Big Ten and Mid-American Conferences.

"I thought our third place finish was the most ambitious one we could reasonably expect to achieve," men's coach Tim Welsh said. "The guys did a very good job and they did it coming off the ten hardest training days of the year."

Notre Dame and Miami tracked the third place spot twice before the Irish came up victorious 210-192. Purdue won the meet with 333 points, followed by Iowa State at 283.

"What the guys did well was to keep the intensity and focus in the middle of the meet. That helped at the end when Miami had the lead with two events to go," Welsh said, noting that the Irish did not enter the diving events.

Individual season best times continued to improve. Junior Ray Fitzpatrick swam his fastest 200-yard freestyle since the Shamrock Classic meet in March with a 1:42.57.

Sophomore Dan Szilier scored a season best time, as well as third place, in the 200 breaststroke at 2.08.14. Senior Scott Zambarchi also swam to a third place finish with a 1.54.53 in the 200 individual medley.

Many swimmers experimented in events they do not normally swim. The most successful of these was sophomore James Scott-Brownie's third place in the 200 backstroke. At 1.52.88, Scott-Brownie swam exactly one second above the University record, set in 1992 by Tom Whowell, brother of captain Steele Whowell.

Junior Sean Casey, also normally a distance swimmer, found personal success with season best times in 200 yards each of freestyle, backstroke, and individual medley.

The meet was scored in championship format, with two heats per event. The goal was to have the feel of both a dual meet and a championship meet, according to Welsh.

"This is the first time we tried that format, and we liked it," Welsh said.

In the women's meet, the