Hesburgh discusses diversity at Notre Dame

By MIKE CONNOLLY
News Writer

When Father Theodore Hesburgh arrived on campus as a 17-year-old freshman in 1934, Notre Dame was a very different place. The stadium was smaller, the Dome still housed dorm rooms and the library, which now bears his name, didn’t even exist. But, according to the former University president, the most glaring absence on campus was not a building but a kind of person.

“There wasn’t a single black student, a single black teacher or even a black work­man,” Hesburgh said to more than 150 stu­dents in the LaFortune Ballroom last night. “Notre Dame was white heaven. I decided right away that if I could, I would change that someday.”

Sixty-six years later, Hesburgh has changed far more than just Notre Dame.

As University president from 1952 to 1987, Hesburgh instituted plans to diversify the campus. Some of his programs have resulted in nearly $40 million in scholarship money per year for minorities.

Money is one of the most important tools for increasing diversity at Notre Dame, Hesburgh said. If you weren’t going to get blacks to come to Notre Dame, it was going to take a lot of money because many black families could not afford a Notre Dame education, he said.

As a charter member of the United States Commission on Civil Rights in 1957 and chairman of the commission from 1969 to 1972, Hesburgh explored the discrimination that closed off educational, social and polit­ical opportunities from blacks.

“We really established what the United States Commission on Civil Rights was like in those days,” he said of the commission’s work. “We determined what a black could and could not do.”

The commission investigated six areas that were the worst in regards to discrimi­nation against blacks — voting, housing, education, employment, administration of justice and public accommodations.

Of those issues, voting was the most critical, according to Hesburgh. The commission found that in 13 former Confederate states, laws effec­tively prevented blacks from vot­ing.

In Mississippi, the law stated that to vote, a person must be able to read a newspaper. When a black per­son came to register to vote, he was handed a Chinese newspaper and asked to read it. When he was unable to read it, he was not allowed to regis­ter.

In addition to exclusion from the political process, blacks were excluded from education.

“In 1964, if you were black, you couldn’t go to any school that had a white student in it,” Hesburgh said.

Finally, the commission found that blacks were not even allowed to use the most basic public services like hotels, restaurants, water fountains and public toilets.

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Tuesday, January 25, 2000
South Bend marchers support Right-to-Life

By MICHAEL DE LA ROSA
News Writer

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A quote from Mother Theresa: "It is a poverty to decide that a child must die so you can live as you wish." Lentire said. "There are millions of families who want children. I’m adopted myself. If I can make it, then other babies should be given the chance." Matt Bocart, freshman class president at St. Joseph High School, demonstrated his disapproval of legalized abortion with the help of many of his classmates.

“We’re just doing this because we don’t believe in abortion,” Bocart said. “This protest wasn’t mandatory. It’s just whoever wanted to come.” In 1996, there were 100,167 abortions in the county. There currently are 11 abortion clinics in Indiana; one is located in South Bend.

“Reproductive freedom is the right to life and other groups represented at the protest work to end abortions through demonstrations, phone trees to inform legislators about pro-life acts and placement of anti-abortion signs around a baby’s grave,” said shortly before the demonstration began. “Everyone wants to talk about the woman’s body. What about the rights of the child?”

“Abortion is killing," Germaine Renzi, Beltville, Md., mother of nine, said shortly before the march up Constitution Avenue began. “Everyone wants to talk about the unborn child is the real issue,” added Bill O’Brien of Wolcott, Conn.

Carrying signs that read “The Natural Choice Is Life” and “Face It Abortion Kills,” printed around a baby’s face, scores of protesters made their way into congressional buildings to lobby lawmakers and especially to push for restrictions on a form of abortion opponents call partial-birth abortion.

The abortion debate has raged continuously since the landmark Jan. 22, 1973, decision. Many of the protesters said they have traveled to Washington year since then to vent their anger.

“By doing something like this, it’s stirring people’s emotions up,” said Paula Quinn, a protester from Gaithersburg, Md. “This is about saving babies’ lives.”

Jatrice Martel Gaiter, president of Planned Parenthood of Metropolitan Washington, said she believes in the right to peaceful protest but added: “Reproductive Freedom should remain a personal and private decision between a woman and her family, a woman and her doctor, a woman and her faith.”

D.C. holds abortion protest

WASHINGTON

Thousands of emotional demonstrators took their message that abortion is evil to the steps of the Supreme Court on Monday to mark the 27th anniversary of the Roe vs. Wade decision that made the procedure legal.

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Electronic commerce — or e-commerce — integrates business systems to allow people to buy and sell products and services over the Internet. MIS majors study the hardware, software, accounting, finance, operations, marketing and human resource management that allow a marketplace to exist in cyberspace.

Junior Benjamin Stiller, an MIS major since his sophomore year, recognizes the importance of the field.

"You're not seeing as rapid a growth in commerce as MIS. MIS is trying to make comput­er-oriented managers who also have the technical skills needed for today's business," Stiller said. "MIS is turning computer geeks into business leaders."

With such increasing growth and interest in the field, the University has turned its focus towards improvement and expansion.

"While the college has been able to bring our MIS faculty from four to six, further additions are necessary to meet the students' needs and interest, as well as to achieve excellence in our offerings," Woo said. "Given the advances in technol­ogy and the significance of e-commerce, we need to step up our teaching and research in the MIS area."

This will require new curric­ulum development, major research initiatives, and increasing the number of sections so as to broaden access to such courses by all Notre Dame students," she continued. "Our hope is that the field will be the leading edge in helping stu­dents envision new opportuni­ties and bring these about in this highly energized environ­ment."

Now, thanks to a gift of more than $2 million by University alumnus Joseph Giovanni and his wife Jane, the MIS program will expand to satisfy the con­tinued increase in interested students.

"In the past few years, we have made strides in hiring new faculty and increasing our MIS offerings," Malta said. "With the generous gift of Mr. and Mrs. Giovanni, we will be able to hire a distinguished fac­ulty member in the field of MIS, one that will take the leader­ship in expanding the scope in the emerging field of e-com­merce, give us visibility in the academic and professional communities, and one that will lead our research efforts in this important area."

Malta and Woo recognize the im­portance of the field.

"The University has already established the Joseph and Jane Giovanni Chair in MIS, which will be used to attract a renowned MIS professor to join the Notre Dame faculty. The search for such a person is currently under way," Malta said.

The presence of MIS is ev­ident in other funding resources. Students such as Jenks and Stiller currently util­ize an MIS lab in OSA, made possible by a donation from Anderson Consulting.

Jenks hopes that the Giovanni's endowed professor­ship will allow previous resources to be directed towards other needs within the major.

"I say that money will go to good use. We have a limited number of classes and they are just starting to expand that," he said.

In addition, Stiller hopes the donation will raise MIS aware­ness. "A lot of people don't know what MIS is, or what it is that. Whenever I tell someone I am an MIS major, they always ask me to explain it," he said. "We're no longer monkeys on typewriters — we deal with people and business."

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of blacks from so much of society was decidedly un­welcoming.

"How can you pursue happiness if you are barred from so many things?" Hesburgh asked.

The revelations of the econom­ic and the hard work of President Lyndon Johnson led to the 1964 Civil Rights Act of 1964 that addressed all the issues the commission had stud­ied.

The results of the law could be seen immediate­ly, Hesburgh explained. On the day the act was signed, "the lawyers that worked for the black committee walked into the best hotel in Jackson, Miss., and reserved two rooms. They then went to the best restaurant and reserved a table before watching "Cat on a Hot Tin Roof" in the best the­ater in town. All of these activities would have been impossible before the law."

"For the first time in 200 years, two black men had been able to do these things," Hesburgh said. "That was the majesty of the law. Southern states obeyed the act with grace and courtesy because it was the law and they respected the law."

Despite all the advances made in regards to civil rights on campus and throughout the coun­try, Hesburgh still feels that there is work to be done and that people understand more work is needed.

"I am happy at least that no one is saying we are doing fine," he said. "The reports I read are not doing fine and we need to do better."
KING OF PRUSSIA, Pa. — Congress returns for session
WASHINGTON
Congress is returning for a session in which patients' rights, prescription drugs for Medicare beneficiaries, gun control and tax cuts will be debated against a background of election-year politicking. Both the House and Senate convened today for the second half of the 106th Congress, although there will be little action until President Clinton delivers his State of the Union address to a joint session Thursday night. "Everybody seems to be in good spirits and ready to go to work," said Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss. But Democrats quickly picked up the political sniping that characterized the first year of the session ending last November. "This House will continue much of the new millennium with no action either on this floor or in committees on any of the major issues that this country faces," said Rep. Lloyd Doggett, D-Tex.

Bill proposes citizenship for Elian
ASSOCIATED PRESS
WASHINGTON
Congress bestowed American citizenship on Winston Churchill and Mother Teresa, and awarded it posthumously to Raoul Wallenberg, the Swedish diplomat who saved tens of thousands of Hungarian Jews in World War II. But the extraordinary power has been used rarely — and never for a minor child against a parent's wishes.

On Monday, Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott and a group of Florida lawmakers put in motion a process to give citizenship to 6-year-old Cuban refugee Elian Gonzalez, without his father's consent.

Lott, R-Miss., told the Senate the bill "to grant citizenship to this young boy" could come up for debate as soon as Wednesday.

Sponsors hoped to whisk it through Congress quickly, largely to remove the case from the jurisdiction of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, which has ruled that the boy should be returned to his father in Cuba. Passage would also render moot a federal court appeal of the INS ruling by Elian's great-uncle, sponsors said.

"This moves the decision-making out of the hands of the INS and into the hands of the (state) courts," Sen. Connie Mack, R-Fla., the chief Senate sponsor, told a news conference.

Late Monday, Mack formally introduced the measure in the Senate, and Lott invoked a parliamentary procedure designed to bring it before the chamber as early as Wednesday for debate. A vote Wednesday was possible, but both sides said they doubted final action would occur until next week at the earliest.

At the White House, spokesmen Joe Lockhart declined to say what President Clinton would do if Congress passed the bill — sign it or veto it — but said the White House would consider the matter after Congress acts. The president has indicated he does not believe Congress should get involved.

"There is a real danger here that this can become a political issue, that this young boy will be a political football," Lockhart said. "And I think the president has made it very clear to everyone that they ought to stay away from politics here and stick to what the facts and the law dictate."

Hospital standoff ends after 22 hours
ASSOCIATED PRESS
RATCHABURI
Thai security forces stormed a hospital Tuesday where heavily armed insurgents from Myanmar had trapped hundreds of patients, visitors and staff in a 22-hour hostage drama.

Automatic weapons fire cranked and explosions thudded from inside the hospital, possibly from grenades or mines that the hostage-takers had rigged after taking it over Monday morning.

Reporters in front of the sprawling hospital compound throughout the day-long crisis had been steadily moved back by police. When the assault began, journalists could see trucks and jeeps filled with police and soldiers speeding into the walled, six-acre hospital compound.

Sporadic gunfire and occasional explosions were still ringing out over the compound more than 15 minutes after the operation began.

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Croat turn out for election
ZAGREB, Croatia
In a contest seen as a turning point in Croatia's modern history, voters showed up in large numbers Monday to select a leader to succeed their late authoritarian president. The three front-runners among the nine presidential candidates have pledged to make a clean break from the policies of President Franjo Tudjman, who died Dec. 10, and lead Croatia into genuine democracy. Stipe Mesic, Drazen Budisa and Mate Granic led the field ahead of the elections, pledging to end the country's international isolation and to encourage greater integration with the West. A total of 4.2 million voters, including citizens in 48 countries abroad, were eligible to vote. The first results were to be announced early Tuesday by late afternoon, about 55 percent of voters inside the country had cast ballots, according to the state electoral commission.

Congress returns for session
WASHINGTON
Congress is returning for a session in which patients' rights, prescription drugs for Medicare beneficiaries, gun control and tax cuts will be debated against a background of election-year politicking. Both the House and Senate convened today for the second half of the 106th Congress, although there will be little action until President Clinton delivers his State of the Union address to a joint session Thursday night. "Everybody seems to be in good spirits and ready to go to work," said Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott, R-Miss. But Democrats quickly picked up the political sniping that characterized the first year of the session ending last November. "This House will continue much of the new millennium with no action either on this floor or in committees on any of the major issues that this country faces," said Rep. Lloyd Doggett, D-Tex.

Bill proposes citizenship for Elian
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WASHINGTON
Congress bestowed American citizenship on Winston Churchill and Mother Teresa, and awarded it posthumously to Raoul Wallenberg, the Swedish diplomat who saved tens of thousands of Hungarian Jews in World War II. But the extraordinary power has been used rarely — and never for a minor child against a parent's wishes.

On Monday, Senate Majority Leader Trent Lott and a group of Florida lawmakers put in motion a process to give citizenship to 6-year-old Cuban refugee Elian Gonzalez, without his father's consent.

Lott, R-Miss., told the Senate the bill "to grant citizenship to this young boy" could come up for debate as soon as Wednesday.

Sponsors hoped to whisk it through Congress quickly, largely to remove the case from the jurisdiction of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, which has ruled that the boy should be returned to his father in Cuba. Passage would also render moot a federal court appeal of the INS ruling by Elian's great-uncle, sponsors said.

"This moves the decision-making out of the hands of the INS and into the hands of the (state) courts," Sen. Connie Mack, R-Fla., the chief Senate sponsor, told a news conference.

Late Monday, Mack formally introduced the measure in the Senate, and Lott invoked a parliamentary procedure designed to bring it before the chamber as early as Wednesday for debate. A vote Wednesday was possible, but both sides said they doubted final action would occur until next week at the earliest.

At the White House, spokesmen Joe Lockhart declined to say what President Clinton would do if Congress passed the bill — sign it or veto it — but said the White House would consider the matter after Congress acts. The president has indicated he does not believe Congress should get involved.

"There is a real danger here that this can become a political issue, that this young boy will be a political football," Lockhart said. "And I think the president has made it very clear to everyone that they ought to stay away from politics here and stick to what the facts and the law dictate."

Hospital standoff ends after 22 hours
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RATCHABURI
Thai security forces stormed a hospital Tuesday where heavily armed insurgents from Myanmar had trapped hundreds of patients, visitors and staff in a 22-hour hostage drama.

Automatic weapons fire cranked and explosions thudded from inside the hospital, possibly from grenades or mines that the hostage-takers had rigged after taking it over Monday morning.

Reporters in front of the sprawling hospital compound throughout the day-long crisis had been steadily moved back by police. When the assault began, journalists could see trucks and jeeps filled with police and soldiers speeding into the walled, six-acre hospital compound.

Sporadic gunfire and occasional explosions were still ringing out over the compound more than 15 minutes after the operation began.

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Bush

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Bush may not be a conserva­
tive, but he cleared that up for
members of our group this
weekend," said Fava.

Patrick Pierce, associate pro­
fessor of political science at
Saint Mary's College, said
that Bush wins the Republican
party nomination, he may be
forced to grapple with the prom­
promises of his membership
of the extreme right in the
Republican party.

Bush will have to try and
parry those cultural conserva­
tives in the party for now," he
said. "But if he wins the party's
nomination, as he makes his
bid for the presidential election
in November, he will have to
put a pad on those people.

"It's not as though Bush has
always tended the Republican
party line, but he has party
connections that he has used to
keep the cultural conservatives
in the party from revolting."

Assured previous months of
being vague on giving a
stance on issues, Bush may be
able to continue with this
approach.

"If things are going well,
expect Bush to run a very
vague, compassionate conser­
ervative campaign." said Pierce.

"If things do this, it will be an
indication that things are going
swimmingly for him."

Last week, Bush cleared up
questions surrounding his
stance on abortion, reassuring
members of the Christian right
in the Republican Party that he
shares their views.

Bush said he would not make
a pledge to appoint a vice pres­
ident or judges who were pro­
life but wanted them first and
foremost to be qualified for the
position. He said that legalizing
abortion should be up to state
legislatures and should not have
been decided by the fed­
eral government. Bush also
said he would work to encour­
ge fewer abortions through
encouraging adoptions and
abstinence education.

Fava said in coming months,
candidates may be forced to
become more specific in their
stance on issues.

"As the campaigns go on,
candidates have to start defin­
ing themselves not by broad­
stance on issues."

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Bush is also using his moder­
ate Republican record as gov­
ernor of Texas. an office he
has held since 1994, to his
advantage. Bush has focused
on education and crime during
his time in office in Texas.

Many of the initiatives Bush
has signed into law focus on
limited government and local
control.

In 1995, he signed into law a
new education code that doen­
tralized public edu­
cation, restoring
association to
local school
districts and passed
an initia­
tive to end
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tion in schools.

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mandatory release for criminal
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strikes and you're out" law for
sexual offenders. The law
requires that after the convic­
tion of a 2nd felony sexual of­
ference, offenders receive an
automatic life in prison sen­
tence and no parole.

Taking a moderate conserva­
tive stance on issues has its
price for Bush. If Bush wins the
Republican presidential nomi­
nation, some worry that he
may not be able to distinguish
himself enough from the demo­
cratic nominee, particularly if
it is Vice President Al Gore.

Since the country has enjoyed
a strong economy under a
Democrat. voters may not feel
the need to elect a Republican,
said Sean Savage, associate
professor of political science at
Saint Mary's.

"With the current
economy and foreign
policy, the plurality of the vot­
ers in the middle could decide.
Let's play it safe and
take things the way they are and
get Gore," said Savage.

The economic prosperity enjoyed
under President Clinton may not be enough to
convince voters to elect anoth­
er Democrat, said Fava.

"America as a whole has had
so much thrown at it over the
past seven years that I don't
know if Gore could distance
himself enough from Clinton to
win the White House," said Fava.

Pierce said voters may not
reward potential democratic
nominees for the thriving econ­
omy.

"I'm not sure how much of a
benefit the economic prosperity
will be for Gore or Bradley," said Pierce.

"I'm not sure that Bush will have
to do much different in the way of running his
campaign if he wins the
Republican nomination."

After winning the Republican
race in the Iowa caucus
Monday, Bush has a strong
momentum carrying him into
the New Hampshire primary on
Feb. 1.

"It's really in the driver's seat
and it would be surprising if
he lost New Hampshire," said Pierce.

"Even if things didn't
develop well in New Hampshire
and he didn't win by a large
margin, none of the opponents
in the Republican side can
mount a viable challenge to
him."
ND prof examines media influence on Clinton campaign

By ERIN LaRUFFA
News Writer

During presidential candidate Bill Clinton's 1992 visit to Notre Dame, creative writing professor William O'Rourke sat in the front row of the Snite Center to watch the speech.

Describing his view from that seat, O'Rourke opened his book, "Campaign America '96: The View from the Couch," which Notre Dame Press recently republished in a paperback edition.

"What was clear on Clinton's flushed red face was that he was enjoying this. The Secret Service men did not look happy. Clinton did," O'Rourke wrote in the book, originally published in 1997.

With a combination of political analysis and cultural history, the book recounts the 1996 presidential campaign through a series of journalistic entries O'Rourke kept from January to November of that year.

O'Rourke's goal was to show "how a campaign is consumed in this country instead of how it is produced." The book is unique because it is based on what O'Rourke learned through the media as a campaign outsider.

"The media tries to make the hidden unhidden, and they certainly did a good job of that," O'Rourke said. "The media tries to make the government transparent so people can see what their government is really like."

Relaying in part on videotapes, O'Rourke watched both political commercials and news coverage on television, which has been part of campaigns since the famous 1960 Kennedy-Nixon debate. O'Rourke also read newspapers and magazines and listened to talk radio for the book.

"You don't have an election without the media ... The only way that somebody is known is by people paying attention," said O'Rourke. Television is especially powerful in reaching what is known as the "swing vote," those undecided voters candidates work to win over.

Despite the importance of the press, it does not have the ability to completely determine the outcome of an election, said O'Rourke.

"The press is a larger than the media ... There are forces in society that are bigger than how they get shown," he said.

At the same time, O'Rourke is also very critical of the media.

"The book is a book of press criticism," said O'Rourke, noting that television networks often hire political commentators who formerly worked for politicians.

"The press shouldn't be part of what they're criticizing ... I said a lot of critical things about a lot of people, but that's because they're public figures and someone should criticize them," O'Rourke said.

At first he intended the book to be for people who do not watch television, but he soon realized that those people were not interested in reading about TV either.

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For more details, contact the Center for Environmental Science & Technology, 1524 Fitzpatrick hall, 631-4376. Applicants will be required to complete an application.

Deadline is February 23, 2000

Ticket distribution irks students

By KATE NAGENGAST
News Writer

Many students who spent fall semester abroad and missed an opportunity this summer to purchase tickets for Irish men's basketball were surprised to find season ticket packages sold out.

"We sent ticket applications to all the students' homes during the summer," said James Fraleigh, director of Ticketing and Marketing. "So they've had several months to buy season basketball tickets. We've sold basketball tickets this way for a few years now, and we'll probably continue with this method for at least another two or three years."

But this year is different. In the midst of an exciting season under new head coach Matt Doherty, Notre Dame pulled out a 75-70 road victory against University of Connecticut over semester break.

Subsequently, the rematch, scheduled for Feb. 12 at the JACC, sold out two weeks ago, rendering season tickets unavailable.

"According to the form sent home over the summer, there was an Aug. 1 deadline to purchase season tickets. However, we sold beyond that deadline on the home games and provided admission to the 12 home games."

"I left for London early in August so I wasn't aware that a form was sent home," said Jacqueline Schmidt, a junior in Walsh Hall. "I'm disappointed that I won't be able to buy tickets for the student price or attend games with my friends in the student section."

Jacqueline Schmidt Notre Dame junior

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of religious conservatives and Keyes, who captured 14 percent; McCain, 5 percent; and caucuses. Mr. Bauer tallied 9 to surveys of voters entering the contests, Bush drew a substantial proportion of their support as well, according to surveys of voters entering the caucuses. Mr. Bauer tallied 9 percent; McCain, 2 percent; and Hatch, 1 percent.

For more than a year, Bush has canvassed over the Republican field because of his record-breaking fund-raising, impressive poll numbers and endorsements. Now, the first voters declared the leader as well. Bush, smiling as he watched the coverage in his hotel suite here, declared victory barely 45 minutes after the caucuses had opened. "We've had a record-breaking victory," he said, "and I never dreamed I'd be able to get such a high vote total." Later, at a rally in Des Moines, Bush said: "Tonight marks the first election of the new millennium. The beginning of the process by which America will choose the president to lead us into the 21st century." Gore's victory marked a comeback of sorts. For months he had been worried about Bradley's resurgence. The Bradley operation had spent more than $2 million. But Gore benefited from the support of Forbes, Keyes and Bauer, who all criticized Bush as being soft on the question.

In the Democratic race, Gore outpolled former Senator Bill Bradley of New Jersey 63 percent to 35 percent. The outcome was a setback for Bradley, who had campaigned aggressively in the state.

The victors hope their triumphs will embolden their campaigns in the nation's first primary on Tuesday in New Hampshire. But Bush and Gore face different political landscapes there — as polls showing that they are neck and neck with McCain and Bradley. In fact, some New Hampshire voters pride themselves on not following the lead of Iowa.

Moreover, Bush and Gore are no doubt aware that while this state has been at the epicenter of American politics, the results have been far from a reliable indicator of who will end up at the White House, or even win their parties' nomination. The state is hardly representative of the nation — it is overwhelmingly white — and those who participated tonight were not to be considered or liberal. Although the showings of Forbes, who drew 30 percent, and Keys, who captured 4 percent, underscored the potency of religious conservative voters in these caucuses, Bush drew a substantial proportion of their support as well, according to surveys of voters entering the caucuses. Mr. Bauer tallied 9 percent; McCain, 2 percent; and Hatch, 1 percent.

Republican caucuses in Iowa

An elated Gore, at a rally late tonight, declared, "Thank you for the biggest victory of the contested caucuses here in Iowa. Wow! Thank you." It was a far cry from the 1988 presidential campaign when Gore skipped Iowa, describing the caucus system as "madness" and calling it "the small state of Iowa." Gore conceded that he faced far different competition in New Hampshire. "I don't think there's any such thing as the so-called 'bouncer,'" he said of the prospect that his victory here would give him a lift in New Hampshire. "That race must be won on his own terms." Conceding his loss, Bradley also said he was gearing for a hard-fought contest in New Hampshire. "Let me congratulate the vice president on his strong showing tonight." Bradley said. "He's an opponent whom I respect and I know I'll be seeing a lot of him in the coming weeks.”

He added: "Tonight, I have a little bit more humility, but no less confidence that I can do that job." Forbes also warned that the fight had only begun. He asserted that his second-place finish "demonstrates that ideas matter, principle matter — and if you have a strong conservative message, you can get broad-based support within the conservative party."
Group questions fairness of students use of old tests

By HELENA RAYAM
News Writer

Campus Life Council questioned the fairness of students' use of old tests to study for classes at Monday's meeting. "Some students gather these old tests and use them to guess what questions professors will ask, and some students raid them so other professors will ask, and some students have unequal access to old files because many dorms have tests not made available by professors, and thus students have varying resources. "Professors should know that dorm files exist," said Coalition Council representative Michael Fierro. The use of dorm files raises concerns as to whether or not the practice violates the Honor Code, which states that students should have a fair advantage in academic situations. Students in dorms with substantial test files have an advantage, Dittmar said. "You're getting to some real dicey areas," said Faculty Senator Dean Ava Preacher. "The code is meant to be student-driven and eliminate many punitive measures." Preacher suggested that professors clarify their policies regarding the use of old tests and also that students can reevaluate their treatment of the Honor Code. She has noticed a general misunderstanding among students as to what constitutes cheating in several areas, including using old tests. "We've had kind of an explosion of Honesty Code cases," said Preacher.

Student body president Micah Murphy suggested that a discussion take place between the Committee on Academic Honesty, Faculty Senate and Academic Honesty Council. "It is also important to not imply that the students who are using [the old tests] are cheating," said Murphy. "A lot of time, I have professors that will encourage us to look at old tests," Fierro said, adding that other professors do not want students to utilize old tests. "Creating exams that adequately test material is difficult," vice president for Residence Life Bill Kirk said, explaining why some professors use similar test questions. Kirk recommended that professors who do not want students to use old tests make that clear to the students. In his classes, he chooses not to allow students to use old tests and tells them that they will be in violation of the Honor Code if they do. "I don't think this is just unique to Notre Dame," said Knott Hall rector Brother Jerome Meyer. Although other universities allow the use of old tests, Notre Dame's Honor Code examines the fairness of old tests. The CLC wants to resolve the issue so that no student is at a disadvantage.

In other CLC news:
The Alcohol Committee will send a formulated questionnaire to rectors to get their opinions on alcohol abuse and dealing with parties. "We're trying to evaluate the consistency of policies across campus," said off-campus senator Pal Foy.

Campus Ministry and the Congregation of Holy Cross are sponsoring a pilgrimage to World Youth Day, 2000 for Notre Dame students from August 13 to 21, 2000. The availability is limited to 24 students. Some financial assistance will be provided for those students selected.

Please note, World Youth Day will be the weekend of Freshman Orientation and Registration at Notre Dame. Students may need to make arrangements to move into the dorms in mid-August.

More information and applications are now available at the Campus Ministry Office in Hesburgh Library. Applications are due soon, so pick yours up today!

For more on XV World Youth Day, 2000 see the official Vatican webpage at: http://www.vatican.va/
Come to Me all you who labor and are heavily burdened, And I will give you rest...

Jesus is here with us in the Eucharist to give us answers- answers that will lead us to truth, happiness and peace. In this culture of death, it is easy for people to become weary and indifferent to God and His gift of life. People often fall short of their obligation to care for and nurture the spiritual and physical lives of themselves and others. Eucharistic Adoration gives a person the opportunity to nurture his own spiritual life, as well as the spiritual lives of others (through prayer for them.) Prayer also protects the physical lives of those endangered by abortion, euthanasia and other forms of violence. This is because, it is only through the grace which comes from prayer that other’s hearts can be changed from seeking death to loving life. Christ gives us the strength to press on in our battle for life. In order to be Christ-like in our service to preserve life, we must be filled with His life through prayer. To be Christian, we must follow Christ. If He is not the source of all we do, it is worth nothing. We ask you to join us in prayer for life...

What is Eucharistic Adoration?
God is present to us in many ways in our world, but He is especially present to us in the Eucharist. As Roman Catholics, we believe that Jesus Christ, who lived 2000 years ago, is truly present in the Eucharist. In Eucharistic Adoration, the Host is placed in a monstrance, in order for us to be able to come and pray. Jesus is always hidden in the tabernacle, but in adoration he is exposed so that we can come and kneel before Him, face to face, and speak with our God. When Jesus is exposed like this, He can never be left alone. Thus, people sign up to be responsible to some and pray with Him for a certain amount of time (usually 1 hour) every week.

Why should I go?
If Jesus were to come to the JACC, would you come and stand in line for hours just to talk to Him for a minute? Even if you weren’t Christian, wouldn’t you be at least interested in this God so many people talk about? Well, Jesus is truly, physically present here on campus- in the Eucharist. IN ADORATION YOU HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO GO AND SPEAK WITH YOUR GOD FACE TO FACE. You confide in Him, plead with Him, question Him. And if you sit quietly enough, He will inspire you with answers.

What do I do when I am there?
When you enter the chapel, you should genuflect as a sign of reverence to Jesus. It is common practice during Adoration to genuflect on two knees, instead of just one (like you do whenever you enter a chapel.) You can stand, sit, or kneel- whatever position you pray best in. And then you pray. There are many ways to pray: you can do spiritual reading; you can pray a rosary; you can sit in silence; you can even just talk to Jesus- like you would to a friend. The most important thing is that you love Him and allow Him to love and strengthen you.

What does the Church think?
"Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, whether in a pyx or a monstrance, is a recognition of the wondrous Presence of Christ in the sacrament and stimulates us to unite ourselves to Him in a spiritual communion. It is, accordingly, eminently in harmony with the worship which we owe Him in spirit and truth...”


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Monday beginning at 11:30pm (following 11:00pm Mass) through Tuesday at 10:00pm (Ending with Benediction at 9:45-10:00) In Fisher Hall Chapel.
Clinton targets male-female pay gap

Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) - President Clinton appeared Monday to members of Congress to "do the right thing" by closing the wage gap between working women and men. He suggested they could start by approving his $27 million plan to bolster enforcement of equal pay laws.

"I made this request last year, and Congress failed to pass it," Clinton said as he asked out at about 10 lawmakers who attended the White House ceremony where he announced the proposal. "I hope you will help us do this. But the chairmen of two House committees that deal with workforce issues noted that money for equal employment enforcement already is at its highest level ever. They accused Clinton of trying to gain a political advantage by timing his announcement to coincide with the Iowa presidential caucuses.

"It is no accident that he has repackaged an initiative that went nowhere last year and unveiled it on the day that the election season officially begins," Reps. Bill Goodling, R-Pa., and John Boehner, R-Ohio, said in a joint statement. "We are optimistic that women voters will see through this flawed initiative and realize that it would serve primarily to ensure full employment for lawyers."

The president coupled his appeal with a request for Congress to approve a paycheck fairness act proposed by Sen. Tom Daschle, D-S.D., and Rep. Rosa DeLauro, D-Conn., which would direct federal agencies to collect data about wage disparities and increase penalties for violating equal-pay statutes.

"Pass it. It's a good bill. There is no excuse not to pass it," Clinton said. "We need to clearly send the message that wage discrimination against women is just as unacceptable as discrimination based on race or ethnicity."

Clinton was joined by Michelle Akers, a member of the U.S. women's World Cup championship soccer team. Akers and her teammates have been boycotting training because they say they are paid less than the men's soccer team. They want raises from $3,156 per month to $5,000, plus bonuses of $2,000 per game.

"I want to stand here today for the women who have no voice," Akers said. "Women's sports and the view of women has changed a ton. However, we still have a ways to go. The battle is not over. We are still being discriminated against."

Sharon Long, of Baltimore, was testamonial to that. The lone female purchasing agent for a heating and air conditioning wholesaler, she lost her job in 1994 after she suspected she was paid far less than her male counterparts and asked for a raise. She filed a complaint with the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission and some years later, her case was settled for $200,000.

"I'm fighting for me, but I know there are many more women out there going through the same experience I have survived," Long said.

Women earn an average of 75 cents for every $1 men are paid, a disparity Clinton has noted in the past as evidence of social injustice. For women of color, he said, the disparity is even greater: 64 cents for black women and 55 cents for Hispanic women.

"How would you like to show up for work every day, but only get to take home three out of four paycheck checks?" Clinton asked. "It's not a women's issue. If a woman with a family is being denied equal pay for equal work, then her husband suffers."

Dorm fire victims mourned at funeral

Associated Press

LONG BRANCH, N.J. (AP) - The teen-age pallbearers cried all the way up the aisle, their faces contorted, their sobs echoing of the marble floor and wooden railers of St. Jerome Roman Catholic Church.

In the pews, Frank Calafalbota Jr.'s classmates and friends listened intently to the priest's words, dabbing at their noses with tissues and wiping away tears. His mother sat in a front pew, clutching a teddy bear, her husband's arm draped over her shoulders.

"Why did Frankie have to die so young?" asked the Rev. Frederick Jackiewicz. "We have no answers for these questions. We do not understand the ways of God. We pray to the best of our limited ability to understand, but we cannot."

The heart-breaking tableau was mirrored in two other New Jersey churches as three Seton Hall University freshmen who died in a dormitory fire last week were laid to rest. Like Calafalbota, John Giunta, 18, and Aaron Karol, 18, were remembered as upbeat, selfless, promising young men.

In West Long Branch, more than 800 people filled the church for the service for Calafalbota, who aspired to a career in medicine.

Those who could not get a seat were ushered downtown, where a video monitor was set up to broadcast the proceedings.

University chancellor Thomas Peterson was among 450 people who crowded into St. John the Evangelist Roman Catholic Church in Dunellen to say goodbye to Karol, a soccer enthusiast and criminal justice major who hoped to someday work for the FBI.

"We say that Seton Hall is a family, and it is," Peterson said. "We, like yourselves, have lost a son."

Peterson
Seton Hall University chancellor

"We say that Seton Hall is a family, and it is. We, like yourselves, have lost a son."
“Dome afterglow” still remains

Mike Marchand
Questionable Freedoms

A semester ago, I began attending classes at Notre Dame. I even confessed in my very first column on September 13 that I had "the standard, goofy, freshman-like, first-month-at-Notre-Dame-and-just-can’t-believe-it grin on my face." I was told that that would wear off eventually and I would come to realize that Notre Dame is not the Utopia I thought it would be. So I thought I would review the events of the last semester and see just how much "Dome afterglow" I still have left, if any.

My first couple of weeks of classes was a cornucopia of confusion. I didn't know where my classes were. One of them was in a room in O'Shaughnessy Hall that looked like a storage closet. I didn't know how to purchase football tickets. I was absolutely stumped by the $350 I spent at the Bookstore, only to find that I also needed to purchase "course packets" at not just one location, but two. The Copy Shop at LaFortune and the Copy Center in O'Shaugh. I had to wait in a long line and fork over $79 to get a parking permit, only to find that it was for the most out-of-the-way parking area, CU/joyce South. I found out that Thisweek was offering a travers cost a whopping $7 a pop and dinners were $8.81. I had problems figuring out my e-mail account and web page. I was forced to drop the storage-closet class because I was late or absent three times in the first week and a half. I finally caught some breaks in the second week of September. In that week, I landed auditions on WNDU's "Nocturns" program and WVFI. My brief comments about the Michigan game made the Letters To The Editor section of The Observer, and I was offered a position as a biweekly columnist. For the next few hours after that, all I was capable of saying was, "Whooooo?"

However, the euphoria was short-lived; I didn't get on "Nocturns and WVFI's broadcast was limited to students-only by the Administration. Then there was the football season. The worst part was seeing Notre Dame "fans" who supposedly pride themselves on pride and good nature throw tantrums and call for Bob Davie's head on a sharpened stick because of mistakes his players made.

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Should the Confederate Flag still Hang?

I'm in the same position as McCain. I'm a quarter-American, as my grandmother came from a proud society of British-Baltimore. Like almost every other person with Southern links, I can claim to be related to Robert E. Lee. I'm a family chest at home with brass letters spelling E-U on it that's been passed down as a family heirloom.

My forebears fought under the Confederate flag. They were wrong. But they still form part of my personal history and it's hard to disown that. Heck there while remembering that history, I believe we should get beyond it. Move on and not get trapped like the toy soldiers marching in Columbia.

Like McCain, it could be said my ancestors fought honorably. My father gave me a memoir of one of those relatives, Lt. Col. Richard Snowden Andrews. He commanded the First Maryland Artillery. In the book, his wife said she read the newspaper one day at breakfast in 1862 and thought she'd been fatally wounded at the Battle of Cedar Run. She refused to believe the report, rushed to the battlefield and found her gravely ill husband in a nearby farmhouse with most of his stomach blown away, but still alive. She nursed him back to health.

According to his wife, Snowden Andrews from the opening of the Civil War until the last day of fighting in 1861:

"A field and found her gravely ill husband in a nearby farmhouse with most of his stomach blown away, but still alive. She nursed him back to health."

"Back in the present day, I'd recommend that you have friends or family wanting a Notre Dame souvenir to first shop at the local stores (J.C. Penney has a great selection) before paying bookstore prices. I don't know about the other items at the bookstore, but I thought a 69 percent increase in this item over a football weekend was absurd!"

I'm against the name of the Confederate flag being changed or removed from the Statehouse.

"Perhaps it's time the politicians looked at the ugly past instead of the ugly past."

"The Confederate flag continues to divide people as much as it did in 1861."

James Tuck
U. of Southern California

Letters to the Editor

Shop around before paying bookstore prices

The week before the Notre Dame/Boston College football weekend, my husband and I flew back to Notre Dame to visit our son and daughter-in-law, both graduate students at Notre Dame, before the football game and more importantly for the Baptism of our grandson.

During that week, I made many trips to the new bookstore, checking out all of the items available. I decided to purchase the highball glasses (item 33B on page 33 of the Fall & Winter 1999/2000 catalog) on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. The price was $2.95, I didn't have my wallet at that time, so I decided to return on Thursday to beat the football crowds. Much to my surprise the old price was covered over with the new price of $4.95.

I asked at the counter and was told there must have been a price increase. I said previously they had been $2.95, which was the catalog price, and asked if I could purchase them at that price. I was told no... $4.95 was the new price.

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I'd recommend that you have friends or family wanting a Notre Dame souvenir to first shop at the local stores. J.P. Penny has a great selection - before going to the bookstore. If you must buy at the bookstore then do NOT go over a football weekend or (J.PV, Graduation or Freshman Orientation).

We who read The Observer are frequently subjected to "carpe diem" pieces urging us never to regret that we have not let the people we love know how deeply we care about them. This lifestyle comes into direct conflict with saving sex until marriage.

This is not to say that physical love is the only way a relationship can be complete. However, making love is without question one of the most incredible and precious thing two people can share together. Why should those who love each other wait to fully express this feeling?

Du Lac tells us that "a complete expression of love through sex requires a commitment of two persons in marriage." To me, the notion that the love two people have for one another is made official only when they are married and that any sex before that — no matter how in love the participants are — is somehow a less "complete" expression of love is ridiculous. While I realize that this editorial will probably not convince any advocates of abstinence to change their outlook on things, I happen to have my own concept of love for God and I honestly doubt that on Judgment Day I will be damned for loving someone so much that I wanted to share all of myself with her.

Ultimately, the decision on whether to wait or not is a personal one. I believe the only person you have to answer to is yourself, and I do agree that too many people rush into things they're not ready for and then regret it later. Regardless, I urge you: Don't wait until it's too late to let another person know how much they mean to you; it will only lead to regret and pain.

Love is a precious gift. Are you ready to accept it?

Jeff Eyerman
Fordham
O'Neill Hall
January 24, 2000

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Best Albums of 1999

**Pavement — Terror Twilight**

It's cool to be a small band that is really big now.

**Widespread Panic — 'Till the Medicine Takes**

This jam band figured out that you don't need 10-minute-long songs to impress. The results are electrifying.

**Counting Crows — This Desert Life**

Misery loves the Duntz Company.

**Red Hot Chili Peppers — Californication**

This is how the Chili Peppers were meant to be.

**Ben Folds Five — Unauthorized Biography of Reinhold Messner**

The most original release of the year. Ben and the boys tell the story of a guy that dreams too much and has bad luck with women. It's very easy to relate to.

Best Concert of 1999 (tie)

**Phish**

Words cannot describe a Phish show. The listener is dazzled with beautiful ballads, rocking numbers and epic masterpieces.

**Ben Folds Five**

Talented, entertaining, musical. Bands should take a few tips from these guys.

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Best Albums of 1999

**American Football — American Football**

They set the groove all while making things interesting and beautiful.

**The Get Up Kids — Something to Write Home About**

Not as good as their debut, Four Minute Mile, but still a melodic and energetic effort.

**Florida Evans Showband & Revue — Made Simple**

Just because they were a campus band doesn't mean they can't release one of the finest pop-rock albums of the year.

**Post Marked Stamps — Various Artists**

There is no better collection of underground music than this.

**The Promise Ring — Very Emergency**

The Promise Ring writes flawless emo/punk songs about people, places and events.

Best Concert of 1999

**Braid, Alkaline Trio and Sarge**

This was Braid's final performance in Chicago before breaking up. They were always indescribably amazing live, but they saved the best for last.

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**Rage Against the Machine — The Battle of Los Angeles**

Front man de la Rocha's thunderous rhymes mixed with hard rock beats not only creates a powerful sound but a powerful message as well.

**Red Hot Chili Peppers — Californication**

For a band to release an album this good, and to arguably be the best performer at Woodstock this summer, 1999 was definitely their best year yet.

**Fatboy Slim — You've Come A Long Way Baby**

Hailing from the U.K., Fatboy Slim is now included in the likes of the Chemical Brothers and Crystal Method, and he deserves to be.

**New Radicals — Maybe You’ve Been Brainwashed Too**

New Radicals are far from a one-hit wonder. Unfortunately the band has already broken up.

**Dave Matthews And Tim Reynolds — Live at Luther College**

Classics by the band that are played in a softer and smooth melody with the addition of the gifted Tim Reynolds.

Best Concert of 1999

**1999 Tibetan Freedom Concert**

Rage Against the Machine, Eddie Vedder, the Beasties and Tibetan monks ... can you think of a better way to spend a Sunday?
Music Critic Awards

among the favorites for best album, concert of 1999

Best Albums of 1999
Beck — Midnite Vultures
Beck provides listeners with a barrage of sound only he could mold into audio artistry.

Jimi Hendrix — Live At Woodstock
Jimi's Woodstock performance, released in its entirety, is a complete historical account of Hendrix's technical mastery at this century's most important musical event.

The Big Wu — Tracking Buffalo Through the Bathtub
The Big Wu, with its funky, groove-oriented sound, is sure to be an up-and-coming band among the underground jam scene.

The Grateful Dead — So Many Roads (1965-1995)
This five-disc, 42-track set consists of unreleased material both from both studio and live performances.

Phish — Hampton Comes Alive
Finally, an album that captures the true essence of Phish: an official release of a live performance in its entirety, mastered to provide the highest quality sound "phants" can truly appreciate.

Red Hot Chili Peppers — Californication
The band mellows without losing its funk edge... Keidis' lyrics have a new maturity.

Sloan — Between the Bridges
Canadian quartet with a gift for harmony in their well-crafted, bouncy songs. The best power pop CD you haven't heard.

Foo Fighters — There is Nothing Left to Lose
Dave Grohl brings hard rock/punk elements to the radio waves. It's the most polished Foo effort thus far.

Beck — Midnite Vultures
A great follow-up to Odelay. Beck is a true innovator.

Kid Rock — Devil Without a Cause
I have to support my fellow Detroiter!

Best Concert of 1999
Phish Fall Tour '99
I've never heard Phish play so tightly and spontaneously.

Best Albums of 1999
The Roots — The Roots Come Alive
On this live double CD, first-time listeners get a taste of the Roots and Roots fans get the electricity of their live shows.

Guster — Lost and Gone Forever
Any Guster record is a great investment.

Counting Crows — This Desert Life
The Crows absolutely shine in this record. Many of the tracks are reminiscent of previous albums.

Ani DiFranco — To The Teeth
Yet another masterpiece by Ms. DiFranco.

Macy Gray — On How Life Is
That voice is completely indescribable.

Best Concert of 1999
The Samples
The Samples are a guaranteed good time, and if you've never heard them, do so immediately.

Best Albums of 1999
Chemical Brothers — Surrender
The Brothers take faithful listeners of electronica back to where it all began — the dance floor — with enormous success.

Vertical Horizons — Live Stages
Sit back, relax and let the boys of Vertical Horizons take you on a journey of their very best music. Easily the best live album of the year.

Tim McGraw — A Place In The Sun
Whether singing about heartache or love, McGraw creates one of the most enjoyable country albums in memory.

Beck — Midnite Vultures
The "Loser" infuses soul and funk into his sometimes-chaotic blend of alternative-rock. The result is pure joy.

Fatboy Slim — On The Floor At The Boutique
This import from the guy who brought you the Rockefeller Skank may be the best live dance mix ever.

Best Concert of 1999
Bruce Springsteen and the E-Street Band
A million shows a venue. Sold out everywhere. The Boss. How can you argue with that?
From Kid Rock to 'boy' bands to the fires of Woodstock, 1999 was a memorable end to the millennium.
Tyson finds admirers in British children

Associated Press

**BOXING**

Tuesday, January 25, 2000

Legs crossed and on their best behavior, dozens of children sat mesmerized. Only this was no puppet show. This was Mike Tyson at work in the boxing ring.

The former heavyweight champion knocked his sparring weight down to the canvas as two dozen kids were compared to visits there by Tyson, who was mobbed like a rock star since he arrived a week ago in England despite protests from a women's anti-rape group.

McKey Van DXL added 18 points and nine assists. Ray McCallister had 17 points and 10 rebounds, and Antonio McDyess finished with 16 points.

Shareef Abdur-Rahim led Vancouver with 24 points and 13 rebounds. Mike Bibby contributed 18 points and nine assists.

McKey, who went 0-for-4 in the third quarter alone on 4-of-11 shooting as the Nuggets built a 10-point lead by the end of the period, scored 10 points in the first 4:52 of the quarter, making a three-point play for a 66-57 lead and then hitting a 3-pointer for a 69-59 lead with 7:08 left in the period. Melvin Ely added the Nuggets made 84-71, and the Nuggets carried an 86-76 lead into the final quarter.

Vancouver got no closer than the first 4:52 of the quarter, making a three-point play for a 73-42 lead and then hitting a 3-pointer for a 76-59 lead with 7:08 left in the period. Melvin Ely added the Nuggets made 84-71, and the Nuggets carried an 86-76 lead into the final quarter.

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Michael Jordan treated players like peers. "Dunking the ball, shooting a jump shot, fadeaway — not the same game," he said. "But I'm sure he was evaluating. It was fun." Jordan has said he'll be a minority owner, the Wizards (13-8, 6-4 in the East) for the 1993-94 season.

"He's not 25 anymore," rookie Karl Malone said. "He's now a more important player. He's new in that situation. He's going to see who was going to stand up. He's competing, and he was going to see who was going to compete with him. That's exactly what Jordan was doing. He was being himself. He didn't want to be put into something it hasn't been in a while — energetic and fun. "Which is what we should expect every day," Jordan said.

"I told them that they shouldn't have to wait for me to come out to show the energy that they had today. I just tried to keep them focused, challenge them, say whatever they had to say if they can play hard against me, they can play hard against anybody. It was fun."

Since Jordan became part of the operation, the Wizards (13-29) have been their usually frustratingly inconsistent selves. They lost at home to Detroit, beat Indiana at home impressively and routed by Atlanta on the road. Jordan, who says he'll be a minority owner, the Wizards (13-8, 6-4 in the East) for the 1993-94 season, walked along the riverfront. "I was there to watch the Super Bowl. The euphoria was still strong. Rams Blue and gold gear, such as jackets, hats and scarfs, were sold out in stores throughout the city, and "Go Rams!" posters were displayed in many store windows.

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Siegfried Hall Chapel
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Rhodes joins Redskins as defense coordinator

Associated Press

ASHBURN, Va. — Ray Rhodes was fired as defensive coordinator for the Green Bay Packers and will get a shot to get a bigger feel for hands-on work with the Redskins.

"I had a face-to-face interview with Washington early in the off season with the Rams and my other brother passed so I wanted to get some quality time with her," Rhodes said.

"As a defensive coordinator, I get a better feel for hands-on. I can have more time to do football," Rhodes said. "It'll give me a chance to drive up there."

"As a defensive coordinator, I get a better feel for hands-on," Rhodes said. "That means I can look in someone's face all day and not have to worry about some of the things you guys want to do from a press conference standpoint. I can have more time to do football." 

Rhodes, 49, will have plenty of authority with the Packers and will coach the defense.

Rhodes previously had a 30-36-1 record over four seasons with the Rams and is currently the head coach of the Philadelphia Eagles. His 6-6-1 record this season is debatable, but he is the current NFL head coach of the Eagles.
There's no room for complacency in the Tampa Bay Buccaneers' plan to take what they feel is a rightful place among the NFL's elite teams. The season ended Sunday with the Bucs talking not so much about correcting errors they made in an 11-6 loss to St. Louis in the NFC championship game, but rather avoiding the mistakes they made after bowing out of the playoffs two years ago.

"I think we got a little big-headed and forgot about all the hard work that went into getting where we were," said defensive tackle Warren Sapp. "We can't let that happen again."

The Bucs went 8-8 and missed the playoffs in 1998 after a breakthrough season that's all I can say," Sapp said. "We had the type of effort and desire that it takes to get to this point, and find a way to get it done again," Sapp said. "I like my chances with this ball club. I'll go to war with them every day of the week and twice on Sunday. No doubt about it."

TAMPA, Fla.

Associated Press

"Put this same ball club back together a year from now, invite us to the dance and we're going to go at it again." — Warren Sapp, Tampa Bay defensive tackle

Bucs blame loss on confidence.

The Bucs blame the loss on confidence. Ilis inexperience and mistakes they made in an 11-6 return known as the Music City Miracle. And Bucs fans are painfully aware that instant replay caught Terrence Wilkins' right foot out of bounds.


Either way, the Tennessee Titans are in the Super Bowl — something they never managed to do in their previous life as the Houston Oilers."

"This is a very blessed season that's all I can say," running back Rodney Thomas said. "Everybody prays for a win, but not everybody gets it."

Remember, this is the franchise that specialized in losing whether home was Jeppesen Stadium, Rice Stadium or the Astrodome in Houston, the Liberty Bowl in Memphis, or Vanderbilt Stadium in Nashville. Oilers fans still think officials stole a touchdown from Mike Renfro in the 1979 AFC Championship game against the Pittsburgh Steelers.

They went 8-8 the previous three seasons thanks to blown leads and debacles such as a game against Seattle on Nov. 3, 1996. The Oilers needed only Al Del Greco's last-second field goal to win a victory when Michael McCrary blocked the kick, setting up a 61-yard TD return. Final score: Seattle, 23-16. In 1998, Del Greco wasn't even on the field when the Chicago Bears beat Tennessee on a batted field goal.

This season, playing as the Titans, things were very different. They finished 16-1 through the playoffs, a franchise record, and went 9-0 in their first year at Adelphia Coliseum.
Belles confident for championship, despite close losses

By NORIEE GILLESPIE
Saint Mary's Ed. Notes

When freshman Megan Harris touched the wall one-hundredth of a second after her DePauw competitor in the 500 freestyle Saturday afternoon, her swim was mirrored the rest of the meet: all too close.

It took 40 minutes to completely tabulate the final score—a loss for the Saint Mary's swimming and diving team. Walking away from the score table, head coach Gretchen Hildebrandt was somewhat disappointed.

"I thought we had beaten DePauw," she said. "But it's hard to be upset when these are upsets well.

"We're swimming strong teams," said first year coach Gretchen Hildebrandt. "In terms of points, this was not a winning season. But I can't believe that any of the other teams out there have posted personal bests every meet, and has every swimmer swimming to their potential.

Breaststroke three times during the dual meet season and holding a diver on their roster for the first time in three years, the season marked several beginnings that could lead to hard-earned benefits, noted Hildebrandt.

"This program has grown leaps and bounds from where it was," she said. "It's hard keeping up with the other programs that are growing at the same pace, but we are swimming phenomenally."

Not unlike previous losses, Saturday's defeat was close. Off the boards, freshman diver Jami Kesteloot's third-place finish in the 1-meter competition grabbed solid points for Saint Mary's, easing the deficit from 24 points lost in the 3-meter competition.

"We're lucky to have (Kesteloot)," Hildebrandt said. "She doesn't have the experience in the 3-meter yet, but she scores big points for us."

In the pool, the swimmers pulled out the close races and popped some surprise finishes to put the meet within reach. The medley relay of Alicia Lesnieski, Michelle Samreta, Lane Harrington and Colleen Sullivan finished first in 1 minute, 58.86 seconds, five-tenths short of the door of the school record.

Olivia Smith grabbed second in the 1000 freestyle, posting a season-best time of 11:36.07, followed by Sullivan's first-place 200-freestyle finish in a season-best personal time.

Lauren Smith added another 100 freestyle win, and Harrington added third place 100 butterfly and 100 backstroke finishes. Co-captain Samreta wrapped up the meet, winning the 100 breaststroke in her last collegiate dual meet.

"It's not over yet," said Hildebrandt, who will lead the women with a home advantage at the MIAA conference championship Feb. 10-12. That meet will mark the first MIAA championship hosted by Saint Mary's since its acceptance into the MIAA in the summer of 1999.

"They're ready to swim fast," said Hildebrandt. "Mentally, they're confident in their abilities, and they're waiting to see what they're capable of."

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Women's skiing leads mediocore club sports

By Noreen Gillespie

The Bowling Club placed 18th among a strong field at Dayton University's Eagle Classic this weekend. Topping the Irish averages were Jason Pawlek's 208, followed by Dan Butts' 189. Darren Kraft's 183, Kevin McFadden's 182 and Dave Rigato's 177. This weekend is the major event of the year for the club, as they host the Blue and Gold Classic at Beacon Bowl on Saturday, 7 p.m., and Sunday, 9:30 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Besides five teams from all over the country will trek to South Bend, including many nationalized ranked squads. Anne Deitch has her squad poled on their home lanes to ambush some top clubs.

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Shannon Suddarth and Kathleen Iljinus in the 100 breaststroke, and a top finish from Alison Newell in the 200 butterfly. Nixon placed second in the 50 freestyle and first in the 100 freestyle. A 1-2 finish from Gia Keitelhohn and Rhiana Saunders in 1-meter diving secured Notre Dame with a 4-point lead entering the 200 breaststroke.

With points flying back and forth between the teams, it was anyone’s meet until the 200 breaststroke. When Northwesterner’s Adrian Talcott battled with a fifth-place finish and two Northwestern swimmers were disqualified, "That mistake gave us a chance to beat them," Weathers said. "We knew after the breaststroke that we could have this meet."

The mistake allowed Notre Dame’s Suddarth, Kathleen Iljinus, Lloyd, and Kerry White to respectively grab first, second, third and fourth place breaststroke points, jolting the Irish to an 18-point lead.

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Fencers eye championships

By MIKE CONNOLLY

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Suddarth and Kristen Van Saun combined, third and fourth place and 100 freestyles and leading the 200 and 400 medley relays. Hecking also picked up three wins for the Irish, and Lloyd, Harer, Newell and Keitelhohn were double event winners.

The women's team defeated Columbia, 19-8, NYU, 22-5, Stanford, 15-12 and St. John's, 16-11. Despite drop­ping two matches, the team is a strong weekend. Sophomores Gabor Szelle and Andre Crompton led the sabre team, whereas Barer, Newell and Ketelhohn finished 1-2 against the Red Storm. "Veteran Irish fencers also had strong weekend. Sophomores Gabor Szelle and Andre Crompton led the sabre team with 7-2 and 8-2 records, respectively. Like the rest of the men's sabre team, however, both had their worst heartbreaks against St. John's with Szelle going 2-1 and Crompton finishing 1-2 against the Red Storm."

Overall, Morton said mental lapses and controversy hurt the sabre squad against St. John's. "Two or three of the losses (to St. John's) were due to mental lapses," he said. "Cromption lost on a controversial call that the judges had to talk about for five or 10 minutes. (The Red Storm) is really good and well looked a little nervous because they were by far the best team we fenced."

The star of the weekend for the Irish was Krol, who posted a 10-2 record. Krol, who switched to foil after earning a national championship and three All-American letters at epee, proved she to be just as tough in her new category.

Krol's best wins came against 1999 foil champion Monique de Brun from Stanford (6-2) and Columbia's first team All-American Susan Jennings (5-0). "I went in just wanting to do my best," Krol said of her first collegiate foil match since her sophomore year. "I changed my focus to foil and prepared mentally, but I didn't expect to beat either of those two. I couldn't believe it. I think I was in a state of shock."

The strong weekend proved the Irish will once again be a factor in the national title picture. "This builds confidence and gives us a better view to look at the upcoming season," Krol said. "It's still not going to be easy, especially early in the season." The Irish will already win the championship. It is definitely a huge step forward and is intimidating other teams and going to make them rethink their positions in the NCAs."

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Zasowski ranks seventh among regular CCHA goaltenders with a 2.41 overall season goals-against average and fourth among league net-minders who have played 750-plus minutes-while his .908 overall save percentage ranks fifth among CCHA goalies with 750-plus minutes. Both of those marks remain on pace to best the Notre Dame records set by Forrest Karr (2.58, 1998-99) and Mark Kronholm (.907, 1970-71).

Zasowski has allowed just 25 even-strength goals in 17 games played this season while allowing 0-2 total goals in 10 of his 14 starts. He has posted two shutouts this season (19 saves vs. Alaska Fairbanks, 24 vs. Michigan State) to join Karr as the only Irish goal-tenders ever to post multiple solo shutouts in the same season.

He previously was named CCHA rookie of the week on Nov. 1, after making 58 saves in a series with Miami (5-2, 2-2).

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**FOOTBALL**

**Academics lure recruits**

By TIM CASEY

Part of any college coach’s job is to be a salesman, to convince players that his school best suits a recruit. Here at Notre Dame, there are some built in advantages.

Just ask Steve Addazio, Notre Dame’s tight ends coach, who convinced Lorenz Crawford, a 5-foot-11, 185-pound receiver from Paterson Catholic High School in Paterson, N.J., to commit to the Irish over the weekend.

Originally, Crawford had verbally committed to North Carolina in August. Then, after visiting Notre Dame on the first weekend of December, he had second thoughts.

"They [Notre Dame] weren’t even in my list of top six schools over the summer," said Crawford, who caught 37 passes for 858 yards with 14 touchdowns while leading Paterson Catholic to its first state championship this fall. "I knew nothing about Notre Dame. Then I learned more about the school. When I learned that nearly 99 percent of athletes graduate in four years, it was something. And you can pretty much get a job anywhere with a degree from ND.

Sound familiar? Almost every recruit that has committed this year or in the past has alluded to the academic side of Notre Dame as its main attraction. Or at least a distinction that separates Notre Dame from its first state championship this fall. "I knew nothing about Notre Dame. Then I learned more about the school. When I learned that nearly 99 percent of athletes graduate in four years, it was something. And you can pretty much get a job anywhere with a degree from ND."

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**BASKETBALL**

**Irish, ‘Canes fight to boost Big East ranks**

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By BRIAN KESSLER

The Notre Dame men’s basketball team (12-2, 3-2) will look to make a move in the Big East conference when it continues its four-game homestand at 7:30 tonight against Miami (11-7, 4-2).

"We’re definitely looking at this homestand as a way to separate ourselves from the pack," Irish point guard Jimmey Dillon said. "We’re in the middle of the pack and hopefully we can get to the top."

Notre Dame is currently ranked 5th in the Big East behind Miami and Rutgers. The Hurricanes are also fighting for position in the conference. They have won six of their last eight games and moved up to fourth place in the Big East.

In its last outing, Miami posted a 62-54 victory over Boston College in which center Mario Bland scored a career-high 24 points.

Bland, who is averaging 13.4 points per game and 7.5 rebounds per contest, reached the 1,000-career-point plateau with his effort.

The Irish will have their hands full with Hurricane shooting guard Johnny Hemsley, who is averaging a team high 18.5 points per game, good enough to rank him 6th in Big East scoring.

Forwards John Salmons and Elton Tyler have also played well for Miami this season. Tyler is a league leader in rebounds and blocks while Salmons is a league leader defensively.

"We know they are athletic and well coached and they will come out and play hard," Dillon said. "We need to take advantage of our strengths and play hard as well. It should be a good Big East game and hopefully we'll get the win."

As always, the Irish are led by Troy Murphy, who ranks third in the nation in scoring (24.4 points per game) and sixth in rebounding (10.5 per contest).

Murphy, however, got some support from his teammates in Saturday’s 81-66 victory over Pittsburgh. Prior to the Pitt game, the Irish had dropped two straight, but they came out on fire against the Panthers, shooting more than 60 percent from the field and connecting on a school-record 14-3 pointers.

Both Graves and Dillon have stepped up for the Irish. Graves is a league leader in scoring, assists and steals, while Dillon leads in assists and steals.

"On the road we struggled shooting the ball, but we like playing at home and we feel like we have an advantage," said Dillon, who is averaging just less than six assists per game. "Maybe it’s mental and we’re more comfortable in the environment, but shooting has definitely been one of our strengths this season."

The Irish are 10-1 at home this season and hope to follow the series with the Hurricanes, 6-4. Last season, Notre Dame knocked off Miami, 71-68, on the road.

"Miami is a good team," Dillon said. "We just need to play our game and come out and play tough mentally and physically. If we do what is necessary, things should take care of themselves."

This is the second in a four-game homestand. After facing the Hurricanes, the Irish look to more Big East competition. St. John’s comes to the Joyce Center on Saturday and West Virginia follows on Wednesday night.