County will not charge ND students

Freshmen allege race-motivated Sunday arrest of four at local Denny’s

By TIM LOGAN
New Editor

Nine Notre Dame students entered Denny’s on Dixieway South late on the evening of Sunday, Feb. 27, but before they even sat down at a table, four were in police custody for disorderly conduct and resisting arrest. After their arrest, and the subsequent decision of St. Joseph County Prosecutor Chris Toth not to press charges, his acquittal flew and police observed.

Tiffany Johnson and April Allen, both freshmen, who were among the four arrested, appeared with University administrators at a press conference Wednesday and told their story, suggesting that the incident was racially motivated.

The other two students involved were not released, but all four are black.

“[The police] did, it’s not logical, so you have to think something and I think that race was a major factor,” Allen said.

She questioned why the officers approached the group for merely knocking over a sign, and then why they seemingly refused to accept their answer that it was a mistake.

“I feel that we were unfairly treated,” Allen said.

Roseland police chief Larry Miller said that at least three of the four arrests were justified, however, when the female student became violent in the parking lot after the first, a freshman male, was handled inside the restaurant.

“The three females, I have no doubt that they engaged in disorderly conduct and intervened in the arrest,” he said.

He stressed that race was not a factor.

The incident began when Johnson apparently knocked over a small sign in the waiting area of the Denny’s, and an officer approached the group as several students attempted to put it back up. He asked them if they were stealing the sign, the students said they were not and events escalated from there.

The students did not recall Wednesday what exact words were passed between the officers and themselves before the first arrest took place.

“I can’t really remember how it escalated,” Allen said. “But it started when the officers came to us and accused us of stealing or playing with the sign.”

After the first student was handcuffed, she was not able to walk even though she was a senior.

“[The police] were not teaching me that it was okay to have children within the context of a career... I don’t want to fit my kids into my work... But the work place is not set up that way.”

Michelle Alan, graduate student, sociology

“Doctor’ moms juggle child rearing, careers

By ERIN LAUFFA
New Writer

The year Saint Mary’s mathematics professor Joanne Snow came up for tenure, she gave birth to one of her four children.

Both Saint Mary’s and Notre Dame allow professors to delay tenure for a year due to the birth of a child. Because she had been teaching for five years, however, Snow decided it was not necessary to wait even though she was not teaching at the time her department was reviewing her tenure.

According to Snow, university tenure standards are for any faculty member because it is associated with rank and salary, said Saint Mary’s dean of faculty Karen Rusan.

In addition to being an associate professor, Snow is also a member of the College’s Rank and Tenure Committee, which consists of three faculty as well as the dean and associate dean of faculty.

Every university has its own standards for awarding tenure to professors. Snow said Saint Mary’s standards are outlined in its Governance Manual. The most important standard is excellence in teaching, followed by scholarly activity and service to the College.

Because Saint Mary’s has set standards for granting tenure, it is not more difficult for female faculty there to receive tenure, said Snow.

“We would never penalize them,” she said of the committee’s evaluation of females who have delayed tenure to care for children.

“That standard adhered to very carefully.”

Snow also said that at Saint Mary’s, women are able to choose if they want to take off a semester or a year after the birth of a child. Taking too much time off can cause professors to lose touch with their discipline, though Snow said that problem is avoidable.

“In a year... if you maintain contact with your discipline,” said Snow, explaining that while on leave she read math journals and continued to study and learn aspects of her subject.

In addition to the experience Snow has had through the Rank and Tenure Committee, she also has personal experience with issues of motherhood and tenure as a mother of four children aged 10 to 20.

Snow took off a semester with the birth of her third child and full year with the birth of her fourth. Snow said her decision to take a full year off was based on her desire to spend more time with her baby.

According to Snow, it was very important that her husband, a Notre Dame professor, shared child-care responsibilities.

“We’ve always been able to juggle our schedules,” said Snow.

Snow is not alone in sharing child-care responsibilities with her spouse. Notre Dame economics professor Teresa Ghilarducci said that if her husband, a Notre Dame English professor, did not have a flexible schedule that allowed him to help with child care, she probably would have waited until after she was tenured to have a child.

When Ghilarducci was pregnant with her now 9-year-old son, her department originally told her that she could ask other professors to cover her courses.

She soon realized, however, that the people she would have to ask for help were the same people who would be evaluating her tenure.

Around that same time, Ghilarducci said the Faculty Senate began to organize around the issue of maternity leave policy, which allows untenured faculty members to delay tenure for a year after the birth or adoption of a child.

Tenured Notre Dame English professor Teresa Ghilarducci was a leading proponent of the University’s family leave policy, which allows untenured faculty members to delay tenure for a year after the birth or adoption of a child.

By TIM LOGAN
New Editor

The two off-duty police officers who arrested four Notre Dame students at Denny’s Diner on Sunday, Feb. 27, will go before their town council for an investigation and possible disciplinary action. Roseland police chief Larry Miller said Wednesday.

“Due to the situation, it will be reviewed by the town council,” Miller said at a press conference.

He said he would likely recommend an executive meeting when the Council gathers today.

Miller said, however, that he stands
The Singing Light

Dylan Thomas wrote, "In my craft or sullen art I will not be bound / In a hot lisp, as the still night / When only the moon rages ... I labor by the singing light." For four years, I have labored by that singing light, working into the wee hours of the morning long after the rest of campus has gone to bed.

Tonight, for the last time, I will walk out of The Observer, push the door closed and check to be sure it’s locked. When we come back from spring break, a new editorial board will take over. I will still be around, writing articles and laying out pages, but my tenure as an editor will be done.

I have predictably mixed feelings about this. I look forward to going to bed before 5 a.m., to being prepared for all of my classes, to having free time again.

I’m not really ready for it to be over. More than anything else at this University, The Observer has made me who I am. It was The Observer that taught me the lessons of life: to teach, to learn, to follow, to lead, to take criticism, to work on a team.

But most of all, The Observer made me passionate. I have given more to it than I ever thought possible. The Observer has made me who I am. It was The Observer that taught me the lessons of life: to teach, to learn, to follow, to lead, to take criticism, to work on a team.

Kevin never fails to cheer me up; Mike can lift my spirits if he’s feeling down; Shannon is the other half of my brain; Michelle (O Captain! my captain!) is an inspiration. I have given my heart, my soul and my GPA to this publication. I spend more time, most days, on The Observer, pushing the door closed and checking to be sure it’s locked, than I do at home.

Colleen is the gentlest heart in the world.

But everything I’ve given to The Observer — and I’ve given everything I have — The Observer has given me in return. The satisfaction and even joy I get from this job is immeasurable. And the friends The Observer has given me are the joy on my rock when my salvation all through this difficult year. Michael, my Captain! my captain! is an inspiration, Shannon is the other half of my brain, Ginn, who is the gossipy friend in the whole world. Kevin never fails to cheer me up; Mike can always make me laugh. There are countless others, my论文 group — far too many to name in 500 words — who have made my heart dance, who have made me glad to have known them, proud to have worked with them.

I have made so many of my colleagues, I do not intend to be a journalist. When this year is done, I will hang up my press pass and study law. What I hope, more than anything else, is that I will love the law as much as I have loved The Observer. I have had the matchless opportunity to love what I do and do what I love. I have given 100 percent of myself and disregarded any joy in that. 90 percent will never be enough again.

If you have any of those who will follow me — and those who will read this — just one piece of advice, I would use the words of Wynton Marsalis: "Invest yourself in everything you do — there’s fun in being serious. Invest yourself.

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INSIDE COLUMN

Indianapolis bans Napster

Chicago, III. — When Indiana University senior Chad Paulson and his band discovered Napster.com, they saw an opportunity to have their songs heard by listeners around the country. So when Paulson discovered IE had banned the controversial website, he took action.

It is one of more than 135 college campuses that have limited student access to Napster by blocking the site, citing bandwidth issues. The schools claim that some of the scores had been altered. The computer system, according to Lodish, is "secure," so disciplinary actions would be taken.

Although Lodish and co-instructor Professor Peter Sorger refused to comment further on the matter and refused to name the several hundred students whose grades were raised and that disciplinary actions would be taken.

Lodish "pleaded for anybody who was responsible for this transgression or who knew who was to go talk to him at his office after class," said

Vinod Rao ’02, a student in the course. "He made it clear that the responsible parties would be punished either way, but suggested that a confession would be considered when determining the punishment.

TAs for the course, who also refused to comment on the incident, re-collected course to re-enter scores into a new computer system.

The changes were apparently discovered when a few TAs began comparing hard copies of exams to the scores on their computer and found that some of the scores had been altered. The computer system, according to Lodish, is "secure," so course instructors are attempting to determine who had access to the computer's password.

"The MIT disciplinary actions are confidential," said Dean of Students Rosalind Williams. The identities of the students involved, therefore, will not likely be disclosed.

This incident is the third hit MIT in recent years. The last major cheating incident here occurred in the spring of 1996, when nearly 80 students were accused of turning in duplicate code for their problem sets.

The university mascot was the Rebels from 1951 to 1971,

"Outsiders wonder what was so different about that era that I have such a great time as a student here that I hate to remember anything that was not fun, and that was not one of the fun times."

The university mascot was the Rebels from 1931 to 1971.

Bio prof reveals MIT grade tampering scandal

U-Texans remember Rebel history

Arlington, Texas — For many alumni who attended the University of Texas in the late 1960s, recent reports of the National Association for the Advancement Colored People seeking to have the Confederate Battle Flag removed from the South Carolina capital and a plaque depicting the flag removed from the Texas Supreme Court building trigger memories of when a similar issue raged on campus. Public affairs director Donna Durwick, who was a student here from 1965 to 71 and The Shortybird editor from 1968 to 70, said it is unpleasant to be reminded of the controversy on campus. She finds public affairs director Donna Durwick, who was a student here from 1965 to 71 and The Shortybird editor from 1968 to 70, said it is unpleasant to be reminded of the controversy on campus. She finds
**Student Senate**

**Members vote to seek new equipment for Rock**

By ERIN LaRUFFA

News Writer

With many newly elected senators in attendance Wednesday, the Student Senate passed a resolution dealing with the upgrade of exercise equipment at the Rockne Memorial.

The resolution is meant to draw attention to the inferiority of Rockne Memorial's equipment in comparison to Rolf's Sports Recreation Center, said Carroll senator Patrick O'Donnell.

"The equipment at the Rolfs Center is so much better," said O'Donnell. "To not have our own MCAT ... is just downright embarrassing."

The resolution requests that the athletic department, which runs the Rockne Memorial, replace the old and purchase new equipment.

In addition, the senate also addressed the fact that Notre Dame will not be administering the MCAT, the required exam for students applying to medical school.

"We're a Top 25 university," said O'Donnell, a pre-professional studies major. "To not have our own MCAT ... is just downright embarrassing."

O'Donnell registered to take the MCAT two weeks ago and called the MCAT this week in confirm his registration. He was told that he had to take it at Northwestern University, his alternative choice, because Notre Dame's test site had been closed.

"I don't want to have to take the test on another campus because the former test site is too far away."

"We're a Top 25 university," O'Donnell added, adding that the MCAT is only given twice a year.

If an alternative test administrator can be found at Notre Dame, MCAT officials will allow the University to proctor the exam this April.

In other senate news:

- Anthropology department chair Patrick Gaffney wrote a letter to the senate explaining that it is too late to change the DART registration manual for the upcoming fall semester.
- The senate discussed adding a section to the book explaining class activities, such as movies that take place outside normal class hours, said student body vice president Michael Palumbo.
- Students remaining on campus over spring break may purchase a five- or 10-meal plan before break in South Dining Hall, according to O'Donnell.
- The senate's committee on social space received 1,200 responses to its Internet survey about a new student center.

said student body secretary Luciana Reali.

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University's family leave policy.

That policy now allows an untenured faculty member, male or female, to delay tenure for a year after the birth or adoption of a child, said Carol Mooney, a vice president and associate provost at the University. Professors are expected to continue teaching during that year, though they are not expected to conduct research.

"You're research productivity is expected to be basically nothing," Mooney said, explaining that delay in tenure allows for an extra year to research.

Notre Dame faculty members are required to take medical leave following the birth or death of a child, a period which typically lasts six to eight weeks. If a professor went on leave in the middle of a semester, the professor's classes could be delayed, Mooney said. Therefore, expectant mothers are usually not assigned teaching responsibilities during the semester in which they will give birth. Instead, they might be assigned administrative duties, Mooney said.

Mooney also said that other policies, such as additional time off or reduced class loads, differ between the different colleges at Notre Dame.

"We've made a lot of gains at the University," Ghalarducci said, though she does believe a set policy is needed beyond the one covering delay of tenure.

Ghalarducci does not feel that there is a bias in the tenure decision making process against women who have taken time off to have children. "It's pretty much part of the culture," she said. "I've never suffered for having a child."

Nevertheless, Notre Dame graduate students Jennifer Burke and Michelle Janning have already begun to think about how they will balance their academic careers and their personal lives. Before Burke, who will earn a Ph.D. in developmental psychology this spring, accepts a teaching position, she said she will consider the college's Sabbatical policy. She would like to take time off from teaching to stay home with a child but also write within her discipline.

"Sad enough ... people are timing their pregnancies to give birth during the summer," Janning said, explaining that delay is needed beyond the one covering delay of tenure.

"I think avion really hurts men because many male professors have just as much child-rearing responsibilities as their working wives," Ghalarducci said. A male professor according to Ghalarducci, might be more reluctant to ask his department chair to make special considerations because of the professor's child-care responsibilities.

On rare occasions, Snow has cancelled office hours because of her children, but she added that would be the case with any family emergency.

"You've got to be on your toes. You have to be flexible," she said.

Being a professor does give parents a fair amount of flexibility, Snow said. "I can take my work with me. If I want to go to a school play, I can make up the difference at night," she said.

Laundry thefts plague Le Mans, McCandless

By SARA RYKOWSKI

Residence hall laundry rooms on Saint Mary's campus have been the recent targets of clothing thefts, according to several hall directors.

"It's really sad. It makes you wonder what kind of person would steal a T-shirt," said Beth Kledzik, a junior resident of Le Mans Hall.

Two weeks ago, Kledzik left four articles of laundry in the laundry room overnight. The following day when she returned, only one remained.

What bothered her the most, Kledzik said, was the fact that the only item left in her basket had been on the top of her clothes pile. The thief would have had to lift up that sweater in order to take the other clothes.

"I notice people's faces now," Kledzik said. "It's violating."

Saint Mary's Security is now investigating the thefts that have been reported. McCandless Hall Director Kelly Ignatoski and Le Mans Hall Director Sara Scalzo are also working to ensure residents are fully aware of the thefts.

"We're trying to encourage people not to keep their laundry down [in the laundry room] for long periods of time," Scalzo said.

Ignatoski had some safeguarding suggestions for students while they did laundry.

"Have them sit down there with their laundry, or come down right away when the cycle is supposed to be done," Ignatoski said. "If something is taken, call Security and then Security will mount an investigation. Let Security handle it."

If someone is seen with clothing that has been reported stolen or is seen taking clothing that does not belong to her, students are to report it to Security and are not to pursue the person on the spot. Ignatoski said signs are now posted both in Le Mans and McCandless Halls warning students about the possibility of theft.

"This semester, it's been going pretty well," Ignatoski said. "Students are aware of the possibility of theft. People are taking more precautions than before."
Protests welcome Albright in Bosnia

Bosnia

Secretary of State Madeleine Albright was welcomed to Bosnia on Wednesday by Serbs in one city who chucked an egg at her motorcade and Croats in another who hurled a U.S. flag and shouted 'vandals' at the time her name was mentioned. Albright was in the northern city of Brcko to formally name it a multiethnic district — a decision imposed last year in an effort to placate Serbs, Muslims and Croats all claiming the city. The visit was meant to hold the city up as an example of ethnic harmony for residents of Kosovo. But militant Serbs still welcomed to Bosnia on Wednesday by Serbs where the ceremony marking the city's new status was to take place, about 300 Serbs began chanting "killers," "thieves" and obscenities.

Bradley throws support to Gore

Bradley intends to bow out of the presidential race Thursday and endorse Vice President Al Gore who vanquished him in 16 Super Tuesday contests from coast to coast, The Associated Press learned today. Bradley's decision marks the end of a candidacy that soared briefly but floundered when the first votes were cast in the Iowa caucuses and New Hampshire primary. It also eliminates the last shred of doubt that Gore will be the Democratic presidential nominee, and allows him to turn his attention to November with a party united behind his candidacy.

Both men praised one another in public comments Tuesday night after Gore's victories sealed Bradley's fate. Three senior Bradley advisers, speaking on condition of anonymity, said the former senator would leave the race Thursday and endorse Gore at a news conference near his West Orange, N.J., headquarters. Bradley, 56, plans to stay active in public life and is not expected to rule out another presidential run, the advisers said.

His quick embrace of Gore is bound to increase speculation about Bradley as a potential running mate. However, Bradley himself has said he wouldn't want the vice president's job, and a senior adviser said today there was no chance he would change his mind.

A senior Gore adviser also discounted the talk, saying the vice president's campaign would seek a running mate who would be relatively sure to win a state or two for the ticket in November.

Israel and the Palestinians agreed today to resume peace negotiations later this month in Washington, ending weeks of deadlock and angry name-calling.

Announcement was made by U.S. mediator Dennis Ross, who briefly emerged from a summit between Israeli Prime Minister Ehud Barak and Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat in the West Bank town of Ramallah to speak to reporters.

Ross said negotiations would resume after Eid al- Adha, the four-day Muslim Feast of Sacrifice that begins March 16.

The Bark-Arafat meeting in Ramallah was the leaders' second session in 14 hours, part of an effort to restore trust and renew negotiations. Ross said today's meeting was constructive and that the two sides made progress. He said Barak and Arafat agreed to intensify negotiations.

"To this end, they agreed that the negotiations will resume after the Eid in Washington," Ross said. He said the goal was to reach a blueprint for a peace treaty "as soon as possible," adding that Sept. 13 remained the deadline for a final accord.

On Thursday, Barak and Arafat will meet with Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak in the Egyptian Red Sea resort of Sharm el-Sheik in a show of appreciation for his efforts as mediator, Barak's office announced.

Barak and Arafat left shortly after Ross made his announcement. At the start of their 75-minute session in a West Bank hotel, Barak and Arafat posed for an extended handshake for the photographers. In the meeting room, Ross was flanked by Arafat and Barak, the trio sitting under a wall portrait of the Palestinian leader. For Barak, the half-hour trip from Jerusalem marked only his second foray into the Palestinian areas.

Once talks resume, negotiators will try to formulate the outline of a final peace treaty and also resolve disputes left over from interim accords.

Clinton rallies against wage plan

WASHINGTON

President Clinton rallied Democrats to support a higher minimum wage on Wednesday and vowed to veto a Republican plan that would delay the increase and link it to $122.7 billion in tax cuts. "If Republican leaders send me a bill that makes workers wait for another year for their full pay raise and holds the minimum wage hostage for risky tax cuts that threaten our prosperity, I'll veto it," said Clinton, who hosted Cabinet members, labor and community leaders and Democratic lawmakers on the South Lawn of the White House. "It is time to stop nickel and diming American working people out of the money that they need and deserve," the president said. "This is just wrong." The GOP wants to enact a $1 increase over three years and couple it with $122.7 billion in tax cuts.

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In a contentious campaign that stretched for more than a year, Bradley questioned Gore's truthfulness and dismissed his policies as small-bore "old politics." Still, he made it clear in recent days that he would back the party's nominee — and the adviser said he would do so in a speech that aides were working hard today to plan. Bradley's options were few, and his departure assumes, after Gore swept Tuesday's voting and placed quickly to the general election campaign against likely GOP nominee George W. Bush.

WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Washington, D.C.

Democrat Bill Bradley will announce his withdrawal from the race for his party's presidential nomination, he lost primaries in 16 states to rival, Vice President Al Gore Tuesday. Bradley now plans to endorse Gore for the presidential race.

Israel and the Palestinians agree to peace talk

Associated Press

Clinton rallies against wage plan
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the group moved outside, where there was apparently further arguing over the arrest.

Johnson said that she asked the reason the first student was being taken into custody, and the officers would not tell her. Shortly thereafter, Johnson, Allen and another female student were arrested. The two students did not give information on any of the events leading up to their arrests, but Johnson said officers used pepper spray on her while she was handcuffed and sitting in a police car.

She also said that officers knocked another student's head against a car, giving her a bloody nose.

Miller, in defending his officers, told a different story, however. He said that, according to reports, three women were belligerent towards the officers, kicking, scratching and spitting at them, and that one tried to bite an officer during the fracas.

"The females were apparently in a vigilante mode, trying to interfere with the arrest," Miller said.

He said that the officers did what they had to do to bring the situation under control and that the students were challenging the initial arrest on the street when they should have challenged it in court.

Toth decided not to press charges after reviewing the arrest report and a surveillance tape inside Denny's. He called the initial arrest "clearly unjustified" and said that it led to the other three, which he said lacked evidence necessary to bring charges.

"The situation was unnecessarily inflamed," Toth said.

There is no sound on the surveillance tape, but the officer arrested the first student shortly after approaching the group, and there was no illegal activity shown on the tape.

"I feel the initial situation agitated them," Toth said of the students. "The arrest simply should not have occurred."

Miller said he would ask the prosecutor to reconsider.

University officials stood squarely behind the students and said they had worked closely with them over the last week to ensure a just solution.

Chandra Johnson, assistant to the president, and Mel Tardy, an advisor in the First Year of Studies, went to St. Joseph County Jail after the incident happened to help the students. Three were released on $100 bond later that night and Johnson was let go on her own recognizance in the morning.

Father Mark Poorman, vice president for Student Affairs, decried the arrests.

"A serious injustice was done to a group of our students," he said.

He also said the University would talk with both the Roseland Police Department and Denny's about the incident in the hopes of clearing it up and preventing it from happening again.

"We all know this is more than an isolated incident," he said. "It is symptomatic of a problem that pervades our society and our community and it must be met head-on with an incident such as this occurs."

Johnson and Allen said they had not yet decided if they would press civil charges against the officers or Denny's.

The St. Joseph County Prosecutor's office will leave disciplining the officers up to Roseland authorities, according to Chris Toth, county prosecutor.

Toth said that he understands Miller's support for his men, and that they see the issue from different perspectives.

The two officers who were employed as security officers for Denny's were fired after the incident, company management said Tuesday. In confronting customers, they acted outside the scope of their authority, said Ray Hooft, chief diversity officer for the restaurant chain.

"It is a cardinal rule that security never approaches our guests," Hooft said.

She added that security officers are to inform management when they see a potential problem and allow management to handle the situation first. Denny's managers were never involved in the incident on Feb. 27.

Tiffany Johnson and April Allen, two freshmen who were arrested and who spoke at a press conference Wednesday, did not say whether or not they would file civil charges against the officers, the town of Roseland or Denny's.

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behind all the arrests, even the first one inside the restaurant, which he had termed "questionable."

The officers involved, both the two who worked at Denny's and the three who responded to the scene, are all on active duty, except for one who is currently on his honeymoon.

Miller said.

None of the officers have been named.

The executive meeting will likely take place next week.

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Gay and Lesbian Alumni/ae of Notre Dame and Saint Mary's College proudly announces its
Fourth Annual GALA-ND/SMC Memorial Grants

GALA-ND/SMC is now accepting applications for the Fourth Annual GALA-ND/SMC Memorial Grants. Two $1,700.00 grants will be presented to students of Notre Dame and/or Saint Mary's College to honor leadership and to support the students' participation in a six- to eight-week summer service project benefiting the gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered community. Projects at agencies providing services to individuals with HIV/AIDS or agencies providing services to gay and lesbian youth are encouraged.

It is anticipated that the grants will be conferred at OUTreach ND's April Follies by representatives of GALA-ND/SMC on April 8, 2000 in South Bend.

The deadline for applications is Friday, March 31, 2000. E-mail GALANDSMC@aol.com to request a copy of the grant guidelines. Names of grant recipients will be kept confidential pending their consent. GALA-ND/SMC may be contacted for further information at GALANDSMC@aol.com or (773) 506-9699.

Past winners have included students from both Notre Dame and Saint Mary's College. The grants have been conferred four times to women and twice to men. Grant winners have performed summer service projects at AIDS Project Los Angeles; the Massachusetts Attorney General's Office in Boston; Gay and Lesbian Advocates and Defenders in Boston; Better Existence with HIV in the Chicago area; AIDS Referral & Information Services in San Jose, CA; performing civil rights research in Cape Town and Johannesburg, South Africa; and archiving a collection of lesbigay newspapers from a collection held at the University of California, Santa Cruz.

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Conference seeks church, history links

By ERIN PIROUTEK Assistant News Editor

This weekend’s conference, “Catholicism in 20th Century America” is committed to linking the history of the Catholic community to the history of American society as a whole in the last 100 years.

“If you’re wondering about the history of American Catholicism, this is an unusual opportunity,” Notre Dame history professor John McGreevy said.

“The focus is on 20th century Catholicism and trying to do more research and get a better understanding of the last 100 years,” said history professor Jay Dolan, founder of the Cushwa Center for the Study of American Catholicism. Dolan explained that significant research was done on 19th century Catholicism, but 20th century Catholicism has been relatively ignored.

This desire to integrate Catholic history with American history is not new.

“The issues discussed at the conference have been discussed in Catholic historical circles for the last 10 years or so,” said Christopher Shannon, Cushwa Center research associate.

The conference represents three years of work. Scholars from institutions nationwide, including Boston College, Yale and Stanford will present research.

The conference addresses the “public presence” of Catholicism in today’s society, including the interaction between Catholicism and other religions. The contributions of Catholic women — both lay and religious to society — will also be discussed.

“Mainstream historians have pretty much ignored the contributions of Catholic women to (social) work,” said Shannon, noting the work of sisters in hospitals and schools.

Several presentations will deal with the struggle of Catholic women to combine the vocations of work and family. Birth control, a controversial issue among today’s Catholics, is the topic of a presentation by Leslie Tenfel, of the Catholic University of America. Shannon explained that mainstream history needs to recognize the Catholic impact on the history of birth control and sexuality.

Because Catholics were dis­

irrated on this issue, they can illus­

trate this issue in ways that other groups can’t,” said Shannon.

The conference is sponsored by the Cushwa Center for the Study of American Catholicism, with support from the Lilly Endowment, Inc. and the University of Notre Dame. Charles and Margaret Hall established the initial funding for the Center, which began in 1971. Lawton Smith, a graduate of Notre Dame, and Margaret Cushwa, a graduate of Saint Mary’s had life-long interest in American Catholicism. Scott Appleby had been the Cushwa director since Dolan stepped down in 1993.

The conference opens tonight with “Integrating Catholic History and American History” by Kathryn Kish Sklar of SUNY Binghamton. The presentation is at 7:30 p.m. at McKenna Hall.
For the past week, readers of both The Observer and the local daily newspaper have received letters to the editor, about the infamous "waterboy" story. As usual, the slant of the stories is further proof that Notre Dame students are (insert your own puerile description here). As an old alumnus (Class of 1963) working on campus, I take exception to these attacks. Our students are not perfect and will continue to fall short of that standard, as long as we recruit from the human race or until someone does something about original sin, but they are pretty darn good. For my money, our students are the best in the country. My colleagues in campus law enforcement from around the country have convinced me this is true.

Nearly all members of the Notre Dame student body come from the best in the country to equal the active contributions to its community which are made by Notre Dame students in a community they will live in for such a short time. Each year, in excess of 80 percent of our students volunteer in some manner, they will live in for such a short time. Many heart-warming stories about our students volunteer in some manner, they will live in for such a short time. Many heart-warming stories about our students volunteer in some manner, they will live in for such a short time. Many heart-warming stories about our students volunteer in some manner, they will live in for such a short time.

Letters to the editor, which should represent the vox populi, actually represent the vox nudus. Just look at all the frequent flyers who write and the breathless prose of many of them. Responsible publications try to show contrasting views in their "letters" section. Responsible publications strive to show all sides of issues when selecting their features. Unfortunately, this has not been true for the past several years, for our local parakeet cage liner. A few days ago, a local reporter wrote a feature on the head of one of our campus groups. The story had four themes: 1. The student claims to be a Marxist. 2. The student has unry hair. 3. The student claims Notre Dame students are apathetic; and 4. The student wants to be an "activist" when he grows up.

I would like to examine each of these in detail.

First of all, I, too, am a Marxist. Grosche has always been my favorite, but Harpo had some brilliant moments. It was also excellent on the harp. Chico was a good supporting member of the act. Zeppo, Gummie, and Carl never showed me anything.

My hair, also, has been described as unry — mainly because of dual cowlicks — but my daughters tell me not to worry about it, since my two growing bald spots may soon obliterate the problem. Thanks, kids.

The complaint about apathy seems a ten-off base: Granted, we seldom burn down buildings here, and you'd go broke if you owned a placard store, but I think there's another side to this issue. I challenge any college in the country to equal the active contributions to its community which are made by Notre Dame students in a community to which I've been referred to the editor, about

The Observer Online

For 25 years, the Center for Social Concerns has worked to coordinate community service for our students, assisting them in finding placement in 70 social agencies and Notre Dame sponsored programs. Thirty years ago, when I served as Director of Big Brothers of St. Joseph County, we could not have operated without Notre Dame students (including football All-American Clarence Ellin). The local Legal Services Program, a local nonprofit organization, is done by men who do not feel quite well.

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The Athletic Department's Life Skills Program, run by Jennifer Crittendon, also coordinates many outstanding and caring work in the community, with the elderly, the disadvantaged, the homeless, the physically and mentally challenged, and young school children from all backgrounds. Soccer players Weszlo Eriksson and Reggie McKnight, Ricky Burghman of the tennis team and footballer Bo seinem Boisman, Grant Irons, Bobby Brown and Lamont Bryant are among the hundreds of players who quietly donate their time. Hurray, who is on everyone's list as one of the most inspirational people they have met, still volunteers to help, on his frequent return visits to campus. Local school teachers have told me many heart-warming stories about our athletics participating in STARS (Student Athletes Build Success), reading to children in grades 1-2.

Even though our local paper has been unable to uncover any of these heart-warming stories, and even though some out-of-touch alumni may occasionally complain that today's students are not living up to Notre Dame's ideals, that lack of recognition does not cancel out this outstanding record of service.
Time for gun control long past

I've been pondering this issue for about a week now. Last Saturday was my daughter's sixth birthday. The Observer pushed me over the edge. The subject is gun control, which has become a hot topic once again after the 6-year-old girl was shot by her classmate last week in Michigan. The most common defense of guns is that they are just tools, and it is the people who abuse them that are responsible. This is usually true. Criminals and murderers who use guns will often carry out their plan whether or not they use a gun. But there are too many accidents like the one in Michigan. Does anybody believe that the first-grade boy came to school with murderous intentions, focused on destroying his classmate's life by whatever means necessary? He was shooting off his gun, pointing it at his classmate, and he pulled the trigger. It was unintentional, yet I believe it is even more tragic than what happened to Columbine. What was he doing? Should we prosecute the child who was doing? Should we prosecute the child who gets his dad's gun from his bedroom, drops it, and accidentally injures his friend? Are these crimes to occur. Just ask that 6-year-old girl. Oh, the boy had no motive, no reason to kill. The girl's death happened solely because he had access to a loaded gun. Gun control laws could have stopped this killing, but not the one at Columbine.

Marchand mentions the areas with strongest gun laws have the highest murder rates. He blames the gun laws, completely ignoring the fact that these areas (I.A., New York, Chicago, Washington, D.C.) are the nation's biggest cities with the largest populations, most gangs, biggest gun circulation, etc. Just imagine how bad the murder rates would be without guns. LA., a Democratic president and increasingly Democratic Congress in recent years, has led to a decrease in violent crime, as their anti-gun beliefs have begun to take effect.

Marchand says that the first step is to properly prosecute illegal users of firearms. Should we prosecute the 6-year-old boy? Should we prosecute the child who gets his dad's gun from his bedroom, drops it, and accidentally injures his friend? Are these crimes that should be punished. These are accidents stemming from an all too easy availability of guns. They can be easily stopped if the guns? This would only work in an ideal world, but it's not the one at Columbine.

Marchand even has the gall to ridicule the "smart gun" proposition, proclaiming this legislation is unnecessary and shouldn't be an option. His alternative is for gun owners to be more responsible. That would be great, but it's not going to happen. There are thousands of people who can't be trusted with a gun. They have their own lives... yet we should trust them to be responsible with something as dangerous as guns. This would only work in a perfect world, something that's no closer to reality than Oz. Even responsible owners can't stop kids from breaking into their locked gun cabinet while they're at work and causing some terrible tragedy. Trusting is not enough. Congress needs to take action.

Am I begging for a repeal of the right to bear arms? Of course not. Will more gun control eliminate crime? Not at all. Are some citizens perfectly responsible gun owners? Absolutely. The fact is, though, that guns and their availability make it far too easy for tragic accidents to occur. Just ask that 6-year-old girl. Oh, wait, you can't. And you'll never be able to. Because of a criminal? No... because of a gun.

Beware Bush and Bob Jones

Considering the current media blitz covering Republican presidential candidate George W. Bush's visit to Bob Jones University in South Carolina, I find it shocking that members of the Notre Dame community are not more vocal in expressing their outrage. While Bush may not share the same views taught at BJU, it is appalling that Bush would choose an institution rooted in bigotry to kick off his South Carolina campaign.

In order to combat negative media concerning their views against inter-racial dating and Catholicism, Bob Jones University has posted an article "The Truth About Bob Jones University" on its Website. Using Bible passages, the "Truth" states that the basis for the Catholic faith is fundamentally wrong and implies that today's Catholics are stuck in pre-Reformation thinking. Its founder, Bob Jones Sr. has even referred to the Pope as the "Whore of Babylon." Yet, the university denies that it hates Catholics. The manner in which Bob Jones University hides behind the Bible is very similar to the way many hate-mongering organizations use the Ku Klux Klan race-muscle in scripture in order to justify their actions. While BJU may attempt to spin-doctor its message, people need to look at the hard facts behind it.

Perhaps my anger at the Bush campaign is unnecessary, after all Bush was trying to appeal to the "religious right" that holds so much clout in the Republican Party. Was he just making the politically smart move? There are many other ways to appeal to religious conservatives, besides appearing at a University that promotes beliefs that run counter to the Bush campaign.

Time for the "right" in such a negative manner. By appearing at BJU, Bush was making its message legitimate on a national level while he alienated Catholic voters. Bush needed extremist votes to win the primary, and he campaigned for those votes. His recent "apology" to American Catholics is nothing more than an attempt to save his reputation. Do you think he regrets winning all of those "religious right" votes that boosted his South Carolina victory?

All Americans, not just Catholic-Americans, should choose another candidate besides George W. Bush. People need to open their eyes to the fact that anti-Catholic sentiment still exists in America. Consider Bush's appearance at BJU and the House of Representatives' recent rejection of Father Timothy O'Brien as House chaplain as a wake-up call that there is still a great deal of misunderstanding about Catholics in the U.S. Catholic universities should serve as a rallying point for Americans to stop people who hate Catholics. Are Bush, who would rather sell us out for votes in a fight against bigotry. We need to join together to endorse candidates who will stand up for religious understanding. We need to fight against politicians who prostitute themselves in order to win any vote, even if the vote belongs to a bigot. American politics is in a sad state if candidates like Bush choose to offend Catholics in order to make the "politically strategic" move.

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Actor Casey Affleck comes into his own

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After three years of being known as Ben Affleck's little brother, Casey Affleck is finally making his own mark as an actor.

When asked whether his superstar sibling was growing weary of questions about being Casey Affleck's older brother, the younger Affleck joked, "I think I'll survive."

But the 24-year-old's impending success has not been easy. In an interview with Parade magazine, the chick-flick called "My Best Friend's Wedding" actor said, "I'm kind of always sort of the 'under-the-radar' guy, and I think Ben was on the radar before he was even there." Affleck said. "It was like an anomaly. It was like they were looking at the radar and said, 'What's that?'

The Affleck brothers, who were born three years apart, got an early start in acting. One of their mother's college friends was a casting director in their hometown of Cambridge, Mass., and she frequently used Ben and Casey as extras in various productions. "We were really familiar with acting more than most people, that's when we both kind of started wanting to do it," Casey said.

They joined the theater program at Cambridge Ringe & Latin, the prestigous public high school that Ben's friend Matt Damon attended. Casey attended Columbia University, but dropped out after two years to concentrate on acting. He had a small part in "Good Will Hunting," which brought Damon and Ben fame, fortune and a screenplay writing job.

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By BILL FUSZ

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In the meantime, however, “What Planet Are You From?”, a science fiction parody, appears nothing more than an extended stand up routine or scattered collection of sophomoric penis jokes. Obviously borrowing from John Gray’s “Men Are From Mars, Women Are From Venus,” the movie’s existence revolves around one of those 3 a.m. dorm conversations. “Hey, what if they really were from…?” This in and of itself is fine. Many great ideas and storylines have begun in roughly the same way. Nichols and Shandling however, never got beyond that point in conceptualizing the idea. Instead they raised sci-fi backlots, cheap sex humor, and topped it off with cheesy sentimentalism a la “Full House” for a wow finish.

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STUDENT UNION HAPPENINGS

STUDENT UNION BOARD

- Friday, 3/10: NAZZ applications are due available in the SUB office (201 LaFortune)
- Friday, 3/24: NAZZ 2000 Alumni Senior Club (all ages welcome)
- Saturday, 3/25: Jimmy Fallon Hesburgh Library Auditorium
- Sunday, 3/26: Java and Jazz LaFortune
- 4/26-4/27: Antostal watch for more details

STUDENT GOVERNMENT

- Friday, 3/10: Student Government position applications due Student Government Office (LaFortune, 2nd floor)
- Thank you to all who participated in the Student Survey on social space!

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The Atlanta Braves, a spring training host off the New York Mets in 1988 and 1989, have held since 1988 and never had to do it. General manager John Schuerholz said.

“We felt we had all the pieces falling nicely into place,” general manager Bobby Cox said Wednesday, three days after lasting only 1-2-3 innings against Tampa Bay. He threw about 20 knuckleballs.

It was another startling spring setback for the NL champions, who last year lost slugger Andruw Jones to cancer and closer Kerry Ligtenberg to an elbow injury before opening day.

Galarraga and Ligtenberg are healthy now, and the Braves seemed to have weathered the John Rocker storm. They had begun thinking about going to the ninth straight NLCS, and beyond, behind Smoltz, Tom Glavine and Greg Maddux.

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Now, the Braves must figure how to fill the spot the 32-year-old Cy Young winner has held since 1988 and hold off the New York Mets in the NL East.

Bruce Chen and Terry Mulholland had been competing for the No. 5 job in the rotation, and this might give both of them the chance to start. Steve Avery also is back on the team, hoping his shoulder heals.

“We think we have the arms in this camp to do it,” Schuerholz said. “I think we have enough in win. But if an opportunity presents itself in terms of a trade, we’ll listen.”

Added manager Bobby Cox after an 11-7 loss to Toronto: “Our guys already have itself figured out. The other pitchers, they know what they have to do.

Smoltz, on the disabled twice in 1998 and twice again in 1999 because of elbow trouble, will have surgery March 23 by Dr. James Andrews in Birmingham, Ala. Andrews performed the same “Tommy John” transplant surgery on Ligtenberg last year.

The diagnosis of a torn medial collateral ligament came Tuesday night after an MRI exam. Smoltz joined Ligtenberg, Odalis Perez and two minor leaguers as Braves pitchers with the same injury, in recent times.

“They've been through so much that is a weird way, this was a relief. I need to get the surgery in order to be able to pitch another good, solid, three to four years,” Smoltz said.

“I still enjoy pitching,” he added. “If I didn't, this would be a retirement speech. And it definitely isn't.”

Smoltz was 11-8 with a 3.19 ERA in 29 starts last season. He is 157-113 in his career and has had 14 complete games, three shutouts, 182 saves and 6-10 ERA in 21 starts.

“'He's pitched in a lot of pain for the last couple of years,” Maddux said. “When your arm hurts more than it should, it's no fun. You hate your job.”

Added Glavine: “Hopefully, it will be just for this year.”

Combined, the Big Three has won seven Cy Young Awards: Smoltz (1996), Glavine (1991 and 1998) and Maddux (1992-95). Kevin Millwood joined the rotation last season on a full-time basis and won 18 games.

The Braves went 103-59 last season and won their eighth straight division title despite missing Galarraga and Ligtenberg for the year. Also, All-Star catcher Javy Lopez was sidelined for several months.

It's going to hurt us, but this club is used to dealing with adversity and injuries,” Jones said.

Smoltz will get his salary of $8.5 million this season, with insurance covering almost all of it for the Braves. The team has an option on him for $8 million in 2001.

“I'm going to miss standing in front of my locker, and working and doing the things I've done for 13 years," he said. "But at the same time, I believe it's going to lengthen my career.

Ligtenberg, whose comeback is progressing nicely, talked with Smoltz about his recovery.

“I told him it's going to be a tough rehabilitation,” the reliever said. “There are going to be days when you don't want to do it.”

But Smoltz and his teammates were sure they'd be OK.

“I think last year has given us a sense that we know we can do it without our big guns," Millwood said. "I think that gives us a little confidence. Maybe there's a sense that we did it once, we can do it again."
Thursday, March 9, 2000

LENT ME YOUR EAR
Jim Lies, C.S.C.

Last month would have been my parents forty-ninth wedding anniversary. In fact, they only had fifteen years together before my father's sudden death at the age of forty-two. My mother was great with child with number ten when he died, and the oldest was fourteen. I was near the tail end of the brood, the eighth child (my twin was ninth, a detail of which I often remind him) and four years old when my Dad died. I have long said that I did not lose a father in the same way that several of my older siblings did. They knew him; I didn't. I don't feel as though I had lost my father because I don't remember ever having one. (I realize psychologists could have a field day with that line!) What I did have, were those through whom God made up all the difference, my mother and my siblings.

We live our lives sometimes convinced that we must certainly have it worse than everyone else in the world, but there are other times when we know ourselves to be so very much blessed, perhaps feeling in that moment of revelation, more blessed than anyone else in the world. What's the constant? What's the one thing that allows us to ride the waves which are, for us, the best of times and, at times, the worst. Dare I presume to be the one to say? I am no mystic, I can't even claim to be a theologian, but I am a Christian, and I do believe that that which undergirds all that I am and all that I do is God. Even in my most unhappy moments, I am sustained by a deep undercurrent of surety and even joy at the knowledge and experience of a God so great and so loving. Admittedly, there are times when that presence seems more evident than others, but on the whole, it is what sustains me.

We have come upon a time when all of us can take time to consider, more deeply the ways in which God is active and present in our lives, in the joy and in the sorrow, in the delight and in the pain. Lent affords us an opportunity to consider the ways in which that undercurrent has weaved its way through the meanderings of our lives and refreshed and sustained us along the way. In the Catholic tradition we are particularly blessed with a multitude of ways to enter into this holy season, many of which will be publicized on this page throughout Lent. Our tradition is rich with symbols and with self-sacrifice, such as yesterday with our celebration of Ash Wednesday. Only to the degree that we enter into the richness and self-sacrifice of this season, will Easter be for us all that it remembers and celebrates even now, the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

When my Dad died, some suggested that perhaps my Mom should consider splitting up the children among relatives because of the great financial and emotional burden that she undoubtedly bear. She would hear none of it. She was trained and had worked as a nurse before she was married, and six months after my little sister, Susie, was born, she went back to nursing. She worked, appropriately enough, in obstetrics, an area about which she had come to know a great deal over time! For fourteen years, she chose to work the 11pm to 7am shift so that she could be home to wake us, feed us, and see us off to school, and so that she could be home upon our return. Mom's life wasn't then, and isn't now, some thirty years later, only about her. It's about us. It's about her children, her grandchildren, her great-grandchildren, and her many friends. It's about family and church. It's about faith and hope even in the face of death and despair. It's about the very thing which we absurdly propose to commemorate during this Lenten season, that in God, life is found in death.

It's not always easy to trust in God, especially when life sometimes seems to offer us only pain and fear. But, as Christians, we believe that there is redemption in the suffering, that in some way we have entered into the sufferings of Jesus, so as to enter into His glory. Let this Lenten season be a time for us to enter into the mystery which is life and death and life again.
Dillon, Irish finally learn about winning in Garden

Now he and the Notre Dame basketball program know what it’s like to win one there.

"It’s been exciting for me throughout the season and even in the preseason," Dillon said. "I just got a sense that we had something special this year. It’s been exciting to see the team progress through the years."

"Our togetherness and our coaching staff, it just seems a lot of things were clicking for us this year," he continued. "Coming into the Garden, I’ve never been more excited to play in a game."

The Irish have come to the world’s most famous arena each of the past four years looking for that elusive first conference tournament win, only to have their hopes dashed in the first round each time.

"We've got some former players back there and I try to bring them back and try and bring back the old days. I hope we made you proud, Kelly," he said. "The Irish players definitely made their coach proud."

Notre Dame came out ready to play and stuck to the fundamentals — executing their half court offense, crashing the boards and playing solid zone defense. The Irish clearly had a lot to play for and a lot to prove. Revenge was on their minds.

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...free throws, followed up by a baseline jumper on the next possession. After that, the Irish never led by less than eight.

"The last time I made it too much about playing against Rutgers," said Murphy, a New Jersey native. "I was going out there and playing against the whole team and trying to do everything and it really got to me. Today I just tried to focus on the game. I think a lot of times I tried forcing shots the last game."

The Irish took as large as a 17-point first-half lead, shooting 50 percent from the field. They out-rebounded the Scarlet Knights 23-14 in the first half, behind nine boards by Murphy.

"They got off to such a terrible start at both ends," Rutgers coach Kevin Bannon said. "They played their zone very, very well. We didn't get a lot of good looks early. We missed some shots early, and I think we lost some offensive confidence. But I think most important: they just did a great job of running their offense. They got us onto our heels."

Ahead 37-22 at halftime, the Irish maintained a double-digit lead through most of the game. The only potential concern was foul trouble. Starting forwards David Graves and Harold Swanagan tallied four with eight minutes remaining, and Murphy picked up his fourth foul in the first half. The physical play left blood on Murphy's jersey, who took the banging and bruising in stride.

"I'm not really sure whose blood it was," Murphy said. "You have bumps and bruises throughout the game, and all of a sudden, the ref comes up to you and tells you that you have blood on your jersey. Every game has been physical throughout this entire Big East season, and I don't expect it to be any different in the tournament."

Murphy led all scorers with 25 points and 14 rebounds in 40 minutes of play. In last year's Big East tournament opener, he scored 25 and pulled down 15 rebounds.

Hot shooting by the rest of the Irish roster helped remove pressure from the sophomore forward.

"When they made shots early, we knew that was going to be tough," Bannon said. "When they're making shots, that just gives Troy that much more room to operate. When you have to worry about both, that's when this is a team that can play with anybody in the country, in my estimation."

Wednesday's win, Notre Dame's first ever in the Big East tournament, relied on strong efforts by the entire team.

The Irish held the Scarlet Knights to 37 percent shooting in the game, a number tough to overcome when your opponent out-rebounds you.

"They held Billet to 16 and junior guard Jeff Green to 10," Murphy said. "The Scarlet Knights' leading scorer was Dahntay Jones with 19 in addition to Murphy, Notre Dame had three players in double figures — Graves, Swanagan and freshman Jere Macura each scored 10 points."

"It was a great win for us," Doherty said. "We were embarrassed at Rutgers about a month-and-a-half ago. We had a lot to prove to ourselves and, I guess to other people, that we can play against a tough, physical, man-to-man defensive team."

The Irish continue their quest for a Big East Championship at 7 p.m. tonight against the Miami Hurricanes.

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Associated Press

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Duke freshman Mike Dunleavy went through his first full practice Wednesday after missing four games with mononucleosis, and said he was ready to play in the Atlantic Coast Conference tournament.

"I feel pretty good," Dunleavy said. "I guess it's kind of like riding a bike. You don't really forget how to do it."

Coach Mike Krzyzewski said Dunleavy, usually the first player off the bench for the Blue Devils, would get limited playing time Thursday night when No. 3 Duke plays Clemson in a first-round game at the Charlotte Coliseum.

Krzyzewski said he was not going to predict how many minutes Dunleavy would play.

"We'll put him in like a normal rotation. He just wouldn't stay in as long. I don't think," Krzyzewski said. "Mike's got to be honest with us, too, about if he needs a rest." The versatile 6-foot-7 Dunleavy has been used as guard and forward and was averaging more than 25 minutes a game before his illness.

"Mike knows how to play. Mike's been a starter for us, really," Krzyzewski said. "The reason we've been so successful is we have a six-man rotation and we've been able to do a lot of different things, and that gives the impression we're deeper than we really are."

Dunleavy wasn't held out of any drills during the 60-minute workout and looked sharp passing the ball and shooting it, and showed no sign of being overly fatigued.

Like Krzyzewski, however, Dunleavy said he was unsure how long he would be able to be effective Thursday. "Hopefully with the adrenaline, I'll be able to play a little bit longer than I would expect," he said.

Dunleavy, who before the illness appeared lighter than his listed 260 pounds, said he lost no weight in recent weeks. "When I was able to get home, my mom fed me pretty well," he said, "so I was able to keep the weight up."

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ARYS-March 23-April 19: Pamper yourself, but don't loose someone to a job on your hair or body. Be open to the changes that are occurring. It is best to cut out with a good book or take yourself out for dinner.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Changes at home will lead to misunderstandings and possible arrangement. Try to be compassionate and understanding with those less fortunate than yourself.

EMI 3 (May 21-June 20): Your ability to make money will be enhanced this year. Look into developing creative ideas you have been considering. Give your start. Hockey is especially if you have overlooked your past. Be careful with your emotions.

CANCER (June 21-July 22): You should try to help children with endeavors that they are finding difficult. Try to keep activities down to a minimum. Rest and relaxation should fit your goal.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Don't blame your mate for mishaps that may have occurred.真实 than yourself. Include your mate in activities going on at your house. Always be there for your mate.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept 22): Catch up on correspondence. Make a phone call to someone you don't get to see very often. Traffic may be bad, so try to get a head start. Your numbers: 1, 6, 8.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): Joint ventures will be successful. Your employee will be pleased with the innovative ideas you implement in your work. Don't give up on love. Just let it be a bit more patient.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21): Be patient. You can capture confidence and rebuild your strength.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Don't let others limit your expression. You may want to recycle some of your old but serviceable goods. Keep on past experience when it comes to finishing projects.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): An older member of your family may be a bother._radio that speaks to the activities going on in your house. Remember to go to bed early.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Decadence of your living quarters should please the whole family. The purchases made today will be more than satisfactory. Try to make friends with your pets.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): Problems with peers may cause inner disputes at family gatherings. You mean't to feel others become involved in your personal life. Get together with friends who are truly likely to notice.

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SPORTS

That winning feeling
Sports Editor Brian Kessler
analyzes Notre Dame’s first Big East Championship win.

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2000 Big East Championship
Irish avenge regular season loss to Scarlet Knights

Murphy drops 25 points in first tournament win

By KATHLEEN O’BRIEN
Assistant Sports Editor

NEW YORK
Big East Player of the Year Troy Murphy capped off Notre Dame’s 74-62 win over Rutgers by nailing two free throws with 35.8 seconds remaining in regulation, but the result was never really in question.

The Irish (18-13) came out as the aggressors early on, jumping out to a 13-3 advantage over the Scarlet Knights (15-15) on a 3-pointer by senior Jimmy Dillon and eight straight points by freshman Matt Carroll.

“I think that’s probably the biggest thing, starting out,” Notre Dame head coach Matt Doherty said. “You talk about being the aggressor, jumping out early, and we’ve done that the last two games.”

The Scarlet Knights closed the gap to six with consecutive 3-pointers by freshman Todd Billet, who burned the Irish for 31 points in the team’s last meeting. The Scarlet Knights took advantage of several Irish turnovers to pull as close as four with 12 minutes remaining in the first period.

Then Murphy began to pay Rutgers back for reining him in during Notre Dame’s January loss at Rutgers. He scored his first points of the evening by knocking down two free throws with 35.8 seconds remaining.

Sophomore center Harold Swanagan rips down a rebound in Notre Dame’s regular season loss to Syracuse. Swanagan had 10 points and three rebounds in the Irish win over Rutgers.

Connecticut wins battle of boards, crushes BC

2000 Men’s Big East Championship
Connecticut 70
Boston College 55
Seton Hall 85
Providence 55
Georgetown 85
West Virginia 67
Villanova 65
Pittsburgh 55

Associated Press

NEW YORK
Connecticut opened defense of its Big East Tournament championship with a 70-55 thumping Wednesday of Boston College.

Jake Voskuhl led the Huskies with 16 points and 11 rebounds while Kevin Freeman had 11 points and 11 rebounds. Khalid El-Amin scored 14 points and Albert Mouring added 12.

UConn outrebounded the undermanned Eagles 46-26.

The No. 21 Huskies, national champions a year ago and winners of their last two conference tournaments and three of the last four, dominated after a slow start and BC could not overcome long scoring droughts. BC, playing without injured Big East Rookie of the Year Troy Bell, simply could not keep up with the deeper Huskies. Kenny Walls led the Eagles with 13 points while Michael Cotton scored 11 and Kenny Harley 10. The victory was UConn’s 23rd straight against BC, a streak that ties the Big East Conference record of 23 straight set by Syracuse against Seton Hall from 1982-92. Then Huskies have not lost to the Eagles since the 1987-88 season.

The victory moved UConn into Thursday’s quarterfinals of the Big East tournament.

George-town 85, West Virginia 67
Kevin Braswell’s 3-pointer with .2 seconds remaining gave Georgetown a victory over West Virginia and kept alive the Hoyas’ streak of being in the quarterfinals of all 21 Big East tournaments.

Braswell, who finished with 19 points, took an inbound pass under his own bas

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at Big East Tournament vs. Miami at New York
Today, 7:30 p.m.

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Today, 3 p.m.

Track
at NCAA Championships Friday-Saturday, 3 p.m.

CCHA Quarterfinals vs. Ferris State Friday-Sunday, TBA

Swimming
at NCAA Zone Diving Friday-Saturday, TBA

at BYU Saturday, 3 p.m.