ND and SMC announce presidential candidates

More Flex Points, less meals says Senate

New shirt design to be revealed soon

DeBolt enters innocent plea

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By CHRISTINA CEPERO
News Writer

Six candidates running for student body president have submitted petitions to the Judicial Council, and one more candidate may still enter the race.

The presidential candidates include Mike Bott, Charlie Ebersel, Ryan Gagnet, Pat Hallahan, Joe Muto and Drew Updike.

Elections will be held Feb. 10 and the two tickets with the greatest number of votes will have a run-off election on Feb. 13.

Ebersel, a sophomore from Kegough Hall, and his running mate Lauren Meagher, a junior, have adopted the motto, "Make the change. See the change." They claim to be fresh faces and proactive individuals who have researched Student Government extensively so they can take into consideration the feasibility and power it has to carry out various issues. They want to make First Year of Studies a more fulfilling experience and host more service-oriented events, such as concerts with "big-name talent raising money for a good cause." Ebersel and Meagher encourage students to get excited about these elections.

Muto, a junior and president of O'Neill Hall, and his running mate Mimi Matkowski, a junior and president of Lyons Hall, feel the roles of the student body president and vice president should be to make Notre Dame a more fun, relaxing and enjoyable place to go to school. They plan to empower students by "fighting to get SYRPs and tailgating back at the same time we start new traditions." They will unveil their full platform this weekend.

Hallahan, a junior from Sorin Hall, and his running mate Jeremy Lao, a sophomore from Stanford Hall, believe in "putting students first" since they are the reason the University exists. They feel students should see the results of their coursework evaluations so they can make informed academic decisions. They would also work to ensure that the money the school raises goes to student endowments, and they want to bring back hall dances.

Mike Bott, a junior from Alumni Hall, and his running mate Mike Kirsch, a sophomore from Alumni Hall, plan to bring more student-oriented by giving students what they want. They plan to do this by improving the dining hall system, expanding LaFortune, placing printers in all the dorms, and offering services such as shuttles for off-campus students.

Drew Updike and his running mate Eric Tarowski are both sophomores from Zahm Hall. Their major platform ideas include revamping ATOstal to make it the biggest week of the spring by distributing funds to the dorms, changing the current meal plan system and getting cable in the dorms. They also want to change the seating arrangements in the Joyce Center so students sit around, and near the court to promote a home-court atmosphere.

Ebersel and Tarnowski plan to hold a press conference next week, because they want students to become more informed and connected to Student Government.

Ryan Gagnet, a junior, from Ebersel "We'd like to think that we are running unopposed because they [students] think we're doing a great job." Elizabeth Jablonski-Diehl student body presidential candidate

By SARAH NESTOR
Saint Mary's Editor

Tickets running for Saint Mary's student body president and vice president officially began campaigning Wednesday, but only one ticket is seeking office.

"We'd like to think that we are running unopposed because they [students] think we're doing a great job," Jablonski-Diehl said.

Jablonski-Diehl attributes the huge time commitment as one of the reasons students shy away from running for student body president.

"I wanted someone else to run, but it doesn't surprise me that there has not been a lot of people running [for student body president and vice president]," Jablonski-Diehl said.

Jablonski-Diehl is running for student body president with running mate Brown as vice president on an 2003 "Return to Glory" ticket.

If elected Jablonski-Diehl and Brown plan to continue a lot of what they accomplished last year. This includes working on the Rearden Day program, improvements to the Board of Governance website and more.

By JUSTIN KRIVICKAS
News Writer

Designs for the 2003-04 version of "The Shirt" are now being finalized by a committee overseen by Student Activities.

This is the 14th year a T-shirt has been designed to raise money for clubs and organizations and to assist students faced with unexpected costs associated with accidents or tragedies. The idea of a shirt that both helped students and unified the community was so popular that it became a tradition to sell a shirt every football season.

Students were given an opportunity to submit designs for the new look of "The Shirt" in a contest that ended before the Winter Break. Ever since then, the committee has been reviewing all of the submitted designs and will soon announce whose design will be worn by students, alumni and fans next football season.

Drew Brenner is president of the committee that directs the student-run initiative.

"As with many of the past shirts, we are looking to tie past traditions and excellence with the present and the future in a creative manner. Hopefully we can accomplish this," Brenner said.

The final decision should be reached over the weekend.

We received many quality entries, so there is still some work to be done in selecting a final design," said Brenner.

Because of the success of the 2002 campaign, efforts were encouraged to submit designs for the 2003 design.

We had close to 30 entries for this year which greatly surpasses previous years. There is a lot of excitement about the project, and [this] is contributing to the program's success," said Brenner.

Many students have won games if they get their name on a design they like. Currently the focus is on the graphic and an attractive slogan.

He went on to say that many of the designs incorporated football coach Tyrone Willingham, but in general there were a variety of graphic submissions supporting different sports and football.

Last year Carl Ekins' design was chosen and the slogan "Return to Glory" became synonymous with the Irish season, and the success...
Welcome to the jungle

Desiring nothing more than to fend off the inevitable boredom that accompanies the winter months at school, many students decide to take a stab at sustaining the life of a creature or two. From bearded dragons to African Grey parrots, a wide array of creatures is represented throughout the hallowed Notre Dame residence halls and surrounding area. For many, the idea of leaving home without a pet can be difficult, and perhaps that’s why Fluffy the hamster was whisked away from his shoebox to spend some time in your apartment living on Cheetos and leftover beer.

That said, owning a pet while living on campus can pose many unsightly quandaries. Students aren’t allowed to bring animals into the dormitories, and for good reason I might add. I don’t know about you, but I certainly would be too thrilled with the idea of goats or swine roaming the halls, although from the smell of things, they already do. Perhaps even a mouse or two would lay claim to your section’s bathroom or a community of sloths would decide to nest in your roommate’s desk. So unless you’re planning on hiding your ostrich Oswald in your closet, you’d better leave him at home.

To help the dormitories avoid turning into zoos, but at the same time let a little creature cohabitate their rooms, some students have turned to aquatic life, allowing the emotionless stare of a fish substitute for a more emotive pet. These creatures can range from an everyday goldfish to unknown creatures swimming around in the mouths of certain bio-lab students. Not into fish? Caring for a frog can be easy and just as rewarding. Just name him Fluffy and feed the amphibian daily. Just don’t get the notion to kiss him. But there is hope for land dwellers as well. Once off-campus, most students have the opportunity to have some sort of creature if they choose to do so. If the landlord permits or perhaps is ignorant of the fact, animals such as dogs or even snakes can enter your abode.

What’s Happening @ ND
- II S Presentation: Artist Fernando Salicrup, Room 208 McKenna Hall at 5:30 p.m.
- Martin Luther King Light for the Journey, Mass of Celebration, 7 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the Keenan-Stanford Chapel.
- Sign-up Senior Retreat 88, all day in room 114 of the Coleman-Morse Center.

What’s Happening @ SMC
- Religious studies dinner, 5 p.m. in the President’s Dining Room.
- Kaplan Test Prep., 6 p.m. in 315 N Madeleeva Hall.

WHAT’S COOKING

North Dining Hall
Today Lunch: Vegetable lasagna, Italian sausage marinara, four-cheese pizza, cherry turnover, southern-fried chicken, au gratin potatoes, brown sauce, chicken gravy, whipped potatoes, mixed vegetables, cherry crisp, baked cajan polloco, Italian rice pilaf and sliced carrots.

Today Dinner: Vegetable lasagna, Italian sausage marinara, cherry turnover, breadsticks, grilled pork chops, broccoli-ri cecarsole, brown sauce, pork gravy, whipped potatoes, corn, cherry crisp, grilled tilapia, baked noodle casserole, california-blend vegetables and baked potatoes.

South Dining Hall
Today Lunch: Spaghetti meatless baked ziti, meatball stroganoff, elbow macaroni, supreme pizza, prezel sticks, noodles romanoff, mixed vegetables, roast beef hash, sauerkraut, turkey broccoli bake, pork loin with apples, but applesauce, cherry crisp, blt & sea nuggets and fries.

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WHAT’S GOING DOWN

Cars towed for illegal parking
A student’s vehicle was towed in the Bookstore lot for a parking violation on Monday.

Student feels sick in class
A student was transported by NDSF from Delbartolo Hall to the University Health Center for treatment of an illness on Monday.

Sports injury causes slowdown in game
NDSF transported a student to St. Joseph Medical Center for treatment of a sports injury at Rolls Sports Recreation Center.

Visitor’s car towed
A visitor’s vehicle was towed for a parking violation at the South Dining Hall on Monday.

Property lost on campus grounds
A student reported losing his wallet at an unknown campus location on Monday.

Compiled from NDSF crime blotter

Corrections

Yesterday’s photo of several dancers rehearsing was inadvertently labeled. Dancers for the Marie Lude King Jr. celebration will perform at 7 p.m. tonight in the Keenan/Stanford chapel.
Notre Dame Federal Credit Union donates big bucks to Kaneb center

By MATT BRAMANTI
News Writer

In what is becoming an annual tradition, the Notre Dame Federal Credit Union has donated $16,000 to the Kaneb Center for Teaching and Learning at Notre Dame. The gift, the third in as many years, will provide resources to expand the center's library and conduct workshops for new faculty members.

The Kaneb Center was established in 1996 by a gift from John Kaneb, a Notre Dame trustee and chairman of Gulf Oil Co. The center's mission is to help faculty members and teaching assistants improve the quality of their instruction through collaborative workshops, scholarly research and technology training.

The center also presents the Kaneb Teaching Awards, given to faculty from each college in recognition of excellence in undergraduate teaching.

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Flex

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Hall senator, said Food Services should consider and pursue this option in order to keep with the program's mission of "being responsive to the changing needs of students."

Bates said Food Services has not provided hard information on Flex Point compensation with a Flex 10 program but the resolution would hopefully lead to negotiation.

Dave Brenner, Dillon Hall senator, said the community atmosphere the University prides itself on would not diminish because students could eat together at other campus eateries and the dining halls would not become obsolete.

The Flex 10 meal option originally appeared on Libby Bishop and Trip Foley's campaign platform when they ran for office last year.

In other Senate news:
♦ Senate approved an amendment, which changes the Club Coordination Council's structure and adds a performing arts division. Amy O'Connor, CCC chair, said, "We saw about 20 clubs that we could put into a new division in order to better serve them and allocate funds."

Danielle Ledesma, Judicial Council president, updated Senate on the upcoming election and said, "Online elections will be successful if all goes as planned, but we will have paper ballots on hand."

♦ Senate unanimously confirmed the Election Executive Committee.

Kaitlin Redfield, Pangborn Hall senator, was named as the new Student Senate alternate representative to Campus Life Council and replaced Blake Haan, Keenan Hall senator, who had a class conflict.

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Recycle
The Observer.
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By ANDREW SOUKUP

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Students worry as grads teach

By NATASHA GRANT

The recent economic downturn has spurred on rumors that the University's values are in trouble. The most pervasive rumor stems from the anecdotes that more graduate students are teaching, in place of professors, to make up for larger class sizes.

"There is not so much a shortage of faculty and eventually to expand the faculty beyond its current level," said Sterling.

Gregory Sterling, associate dean of Arts and Letters, said Thursday, said Preacher.

"Most departments work out needs, curricular conflicts, factors such as curricular age of professors and not lessening rate of faculty hire in the past few years.

Sterling agreed that the 3 percent cut from their already slim budget would not affect current faculty members.

"We have to eliminate some faculty lines in order to make our budget cuts, but there are a number of positions that are currently unoccupied by faculty and for which we are not presently searching," Sterling said.

Although those cuts may be problematic in the next several years, Sterling is confident that the University will be in even better shape in the future.

"I am optimistic that they will not impede our long-term ability to build the necessary infrastructure to support our faculty and eventually to expand the faculty beyond its current level," he said.

Sterling believes that the opportunities that they offer faculty members, from the time that they start at the University, will serve to sustain academic values far into the future.

"We provide every new faculty member with a small research fund when they begin," Sterling said. "We try to make it possible for them to do good experiments during their first few years so that they will flourish," he added.

Without a doubt, more graduate student are teaching classes, many more than Sterling has seen before in his 14 years at Notre Dame, but this is more a means of attracting them to employes than it is a result of our budget cuts.

Sterling has been an impetus to providing pedagogical training and experience to graduate students in recent years, said Sterling. "Some depart­ments have taken pedagogical training programs that graduate students go through," Sterling said.

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Abortion opponents, advocates march in capital

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Opponents and proponents of abortion rights rallied at the nation's symbols of freedom Wednesday outside the Supreme Court, as the debate energized by Republican promises to curb the procedure 30 years after the Roe v. Wade decision. Both sides said there was greater urgency this year with the GOP now controlling Congress and the White House.

Abortion opponents see their best chance in years to erode if not overturn Roe. "It just seems like it's more optimistic this year after the November elections," said Dennis Voglessong, 50, of Hagerstown, Md., who has attended anti-abortion protests March for Life for five years. He and others bundled against the bitter cold said they saw a surge against abortion rights among Catholics.

"Every year it seems the young Catholics are a part of the movement," he said.

Abortion rights advocates, meanwhile, pledged to hold the line as they gathered for a Wednesday evening rally at the Supreme Court.

"We will not be the generation that both won and lost reproductive rights in our lifetime," said Kim Gandy, president of the National Abortion Rights Action League. "We're saying Americans must protect the lives of innocent children waiting to be born.

Bush, who was in St. Louis to give a speech on his tax-cut plan, noted that the gathering on the National Mall was near the memorial to Thomas Jefferson, author of the Declaration of Independence.

"The March for Life upholds the self-evident truth of that declaration - that all are created equal, and given the unalienable rights of life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness," he said.

Bush and the new Republican-controlled Congress have fueled the debate with promises to curb access to some abortions. First on their agenda is a ban on late-term abortions, saying Americans "must protect the lives of innocent children waiting to be born.

More than a thousand abortion opponents passed through the Supreme Court. He said, "It's not a question of if it goes before the Supreme Court, it's only a matter of time," Bolten said. "We hope it will happen even as early as this week."

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Kuwaiti arrested in murder of American: Saad al-Arabi, 31, was killed outside a Home Depot in Franklin outside a Home Depot.

Mexican earthquake kills 25, injures 300: Emergency crews dug into piles of collapsed cement and brick Wednesday to reach victims trapped by a power plant explosion that killed at least 25 people, crumpling walls like paper, turning brick into powder and leaving steel reinforcement bars scattered like straws. At least 300 people were injured in the 7.8 magnitude quake that hit western Mexico, civil defense officials said.

U.S. officials urges U.N. sanctions against North Korea

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

The United Nations Security Council is debating whether to impose sanctions against North Korea for its nuclear program, and the council's envoy said the North would consider statements made by its neighbors.

But Western diplomats on the Security Council said the issue likely will not come before them anytime soon since it is purely with Washington and does not require any opposition.

The International Atomic Energy Agency currently is debating whether to refer the matter to the council, an official said.

"There isn't movement on the part of North Korea, ultimately this will have to go to the Security Council," IAEA spokesman Mark Gwozdecky told The Associated Press. "I think by the end of the week we will certainly have a better lay of the land."

A top U.S. official said Wednesday the United States and its allies suspended oil shipments to the North, and Pyongyang insists its nuclear dispute with the United States is purely with Washington and does not require any opposition. "It's not a question of if it goes before the Security Council, it's only a matter of time," Bolton said. "We hope it will happen even as early as this week."

As is traditional, President Bush broadcast a message to the anti-abortion rights rally, saying Americans "must protect the lives of innocent children waiting to be born.

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OIT's Darwin server attacked by Trojan horse, twice

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System administrators at the Office of Information Technologies discovered Tuesday that the Darwin server had again been breached by a hacker, prompting OIT to replace the server with a stand-in while the original server is rebuilt to provide greater security.

The breach was similar to the one that occurred last month and involved a hacker replacing the POP daemon, which is used to retrieve e-mail, with a Trojan horse that might have collected passwords of users who attempted to retrieve their e-mail, according to Gary Dobbins, OIT information security director. The breach did not affect the vast majority of campus users because most users do not use Darwin, a general-purpose server that can be used to access files on or off campus, to retrieve e-mail.

"Anyone fetching mail from Darwin would know it. A user whose e-mail account was set up within the past four or five years would generally not be using Darwin to retrieve e-mail, unless they specifically chose to do so," said Dobbins.

However, as the breach is still under investigation and the full extent of the hacker's activities have not been discovered, OIT urges all users who have used Darwin in any way to change their password.

Dobbins said the fact that the original Darwin server was left in place after the December hack made it more likely to be hacked in the future. Last week, following the second hack, Darwin was replaced with a stand-in server that is more secure, containing current patches for operating systems and other software and a basic implementation of Tripwire, the security software OIT is implementing on all servers to alert system administrators to security breaches such as this one. The specifications of the stand-in server are comparable to the original server and the switch might not result in any noticeable decrease in performance.

"It will serve as a reasonable replacement while we make sure that the original system is more secure," said Dobbins. Darwin will be rebuilt with a full implementation of the Tripwire software, the latest software patches and a number of other security measures using clean room practices, which means it will not be exposed to the Internet until all security measures are in place. OIT has not yet estimated how long it will take to rebuild the server, which will have a higher level of security than the stand-in implemented Wednesday.

CSC CENTER FOR SOCIAL CONCERNS

Apply Now!
Spring Break Seminar to Coachella, California

Campus Ministry, the Center for Social Concerns, and the people of Nuestra Señora de Soledad Parish invite you to explore the many dimensions of Hispanic Ministry through a week-long immersion in southern California’s rural Coachella valley. Seminar participants will experience the Church’s option for the poor through an encounter with the spirituality, culture, and economy of the community of Coachella.

Please join us for a 15-minute informational meeting Monday, Jan. 27th, beginning promptly at 6:30 in the CSC classroom.

You can pick up your application at Campus Ministry, 114 Coleman-Morse, or at the CSC. Application deadline is Wednesday, Jan. 29th.

Questions? Please contact Kevin Sandberg at 631-4147 or Kelly Rich at 631-3390.

Our Lady’s January 2, 2002 message to Mirjana in Medjugorje!

"Dear Children, as a mother invites her children, I invited you and you responded to me. Allow me to fill your heart with love, so that it becomes a heart of love that you will be giving to others without reserve. In that way, you will best help me in my mission of converting those of my children who have not yet experienced the love of God and the love of my Son. Thank you!"

ANNOUNCEMENT

Saturday, January 25th
IN THE CRYPT
In response to Our Lady’s call from Medjugorje
11:00 AM ROSARY
11:45 AM MASS

12:15 PM - 1:30 PM Kathleen Martin will answer questions

From 1987 through 1994 Kathleen lived with the visionary Marija in Medjugorje. She was the only non-Croatian member of the young people's prayer group that Our Lady formed and lead – with practical advice: how to prevent a war that seems imminent; how to discern your vocation, etc., etc.

Kathleen will answer questions in the basement of the Presbytery
On January 25th Our Lady will give another message to the world. To receive it, email your email address to
<dnolan@childrenofmedjugorje.com>

(Coachegorje Rosary for students every Friday night... rides from the main circle leave at 8:00 PM)
Market Recap

Market Watch January 22

Dow Jones

8,318.73 ↓ -124.17

NASDAQ

1,359.48 ↓ -4.77

S&P 500

878.36 ↓ -9.26

AMEX

819.93 ↓ -3.44

NYSE

4,962.98 ↓ -53.30

TOP 5 VOLUME LEADERS

COMPANY %CHANGE AGAIN PRICE

LUCENT TECH INC (LU) +7.74 +8.13 1.81

NASDAQ-100 INDEX (QQQ) +8.49 +8.18 24.93

CISCO SYSTEMS (CSCO) -1.57 -8.22 13.96

INTEL CORP (INTC) -8.75 -8.04 16.25

ORACLE CORP (ORCL) +0.43 +0.05 11.62

Business

Judge tosses McDonald's suit

NEW YORK

Saying the law is not intended to protect people from their own excesses, a federal judge threw out a class-action lawsuit Wednesday that blamed McDonald's food for obesity, diabetes and other health problems in children.

U.S. District Judge Robert Sweet said the plaintiffs failed to show that the fast-food chain's products "involve a danger that is not within the common knowledge of consumers."

The lawsuit was filed against McDonald's last summer and contained unspecified damages.

"If a person knows or should know that eating copious orders of supersized McDonald's products is unhealthy and may result in weight gain...it is not the place of the law to protect them from their own excesses," the judge said. "Nobody is forced to eat at McDonald's."

Plaintiffs' attorney Samuel Hirsch filed other, similar lawsuits last year.

"They had union meetings to question the contract, according to union officials. Voter turnout was 85 percent. "They understood the terms of the contract, the times it was negotiated in and the victory it represents."

"They have targeted children," Hirsch continued. "In accordance with McDonald's Web site, a Big Mac packs 590 calories and 24 grams of fat, while a large order of French fries has 540 calories and 26 grams of fat."

Banks report weak earning results

Hard-hit by sour loans and regulatory penalties, J.P. Morgan Chase & Co. on Wednesday reported a wider loss in the fourth quarter than had been expected by Wall Street analysts.

The bank of New York, meanwhile, missed by a penny its reduced earnings target as it coped with weak loan demand.

The results underscored the difficulties the money center banks experienced in 2002, as weak markets depressed investment banking earnings while the staggering economy produced more business and consumer loan losses.

The weak earnings reports from J.P. Morgan Chase and the Bank of New York came a day after Citigroup, the nation's largest financial institution, reported a 37 percent drop in fourth-quarter profits, in part because of the costly settlement with federal and state regulators over analysis bias. J.P. Morgan Chase is paying a share of the settlement, too.

Majority of Americans own stock

WASHINGTON

Slightly more than half of U.S. households owned stock in 2001, compared with about a third only a decade earlier as the Wall Street boom of the 1990s pushed stock ownership to record levels.

The big rise in stock prices plus the longest economic expansion in history helped to boost family balance sheets, the Federal Reserve reported Wednesday in its most extensive look at wealth in the country.

The typical family's net worth - the difference between household assets and liabilities - rose to $86,100 in 2001, a gain of 10.3 percent from 1998 after removing the effects of inflation.

Family incomes were up as well in 2001, with the median family, the midpoint for all families, earning $39,900, a gain of 9.6 percent from 1998.

In both the case of net worth and incomes, the richer did far better than those at the bottom of the income scale, a trend that has been under way for some time.

"We are richer than we used to be, but the gap between the rich and the poor appears to be growing," said David Wyss, chief economist at Standard & Poor's in New York.

By net worth, the typical family in the bottom 20 percent of income distribution saw its net worth increase by 25.4 percent to $7,900. By contrast, the typical family in the highest 10 percent of income levels saw its net worth increase by 69.3 percent to $833,600.

The gains in household wealth and incomes were attributed to a variety of factors including the Wall Street boom of the 1990s. Stock prices peaked in the spring of 2000 and since then investors have suffered three straight losing years on Wall Street, something that last happened at the end of the Great Depression in the 1930s.

The Fed survey was taken from May through December of 2001, so it does not capture the high point for stock portfolios. It would reflect faster balance sheets for many investors than they now have.
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Stanford Hall, and his running
mate John McCarthy, a junior
from Keough Hall, say their
main goal is "to build a 'chan­
nel' under Saint Mary' s Lake"
to improve the school's trans­
portation system.

All undergraduate students,
including seniors, are encour­
gaged to vote. Matt Corgan, vice
president of elections, is aim­
ing for online elections but has
dorm representatives ready in
allowed to passively campaign
during elections. At midnight
elections will begin with online
voting, which will continue for
a 24-hour period. Students will
be able to vote from their own
personal computers and from
any computer on campus. The
election should prove to be
interesting just because of the
recent revisions to the constitu­
tion's election process, includ­
ing the initiation of online vot­
ing.

Meet the candidates night
will be held on Monday,
January 27 in Haggar at 7 p.m.
At this time students will be
able to ask questions and hear
the candidates platforms.

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improving dialogue between
students and student govern­
ment representatives.

"Being in office for a second
year I will know what has hap­
pened in the past, a lot of the
work we have done will carry
over. It's not going to be us try­
ing to start all over again," Jablonski-Diehl said.

The only way Jablonski-Diehl
and Brown won't win is if a
majority of students abstain,
which would result in a vote of
no confidence and force the
election process to begin again.
Active campaigning ends on
Monday, January 27 at 11:59
p.m. but the candidates will be

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Basketball 2003

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available starting January 21st and are due
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FRANCE

France and Germany still want peace in Iraq

Associated Press

PARIS

Countering blunt talk of war by the Bush administration, France and Germany on Wednesday insisted that they are committed to a peaceful solution to the Iraq crisis.

"War is not inevitable," French President Jacques Chirac told a historic joint session of the French and German parliaments. "The only framework for a legitimate solution is the United Nations."

The statement — made during a ceremony marking 40 years of reconciliation between the once-hostile nations — came as the top U.S. military commander declared American forces could stand by in a high state of readiness for months if necessary.

But Gen. Richard Myers, U.S. chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said in Washington that American troops were poised for action.

"We're ready now. The Iraqi regime should have no doubt," Gen. Richard Myers, U.S. Chairman of Joint Chiefs of Staff.
In 20 years Notre Dame can graduate over 50,000 students. Notre Dame will have another 11,000 walk-out close to 70,000 graduates. If we each used our professional skills to pursue just one social cause, Father Sorin’s founding vision would be realized.

One leader in athletic leadership our Center for Social Concerns has students interact with local leaders who live this special kind of service, people who embrace their talents and apply them to positively impact society through their work and ideas. Notre Dame is abundantly with “service capital” in athletic talent, and the center works with students and talented professionals to tap into the great passion in sports. For example, soon they are having a conference on Sports, Character and Responsible Citizenship, which will "explore the theme of ethical engagement and the value and practicality of using sports as vehicles to promote and strengthen community commitment, to give voice to.."Whatever 11,000 students at the University now. In four years, Notre Dame will have another 11,000 walking our capabilities togeth-
Notre Dame should respect America by recognizing national holidays

Notre Dame is often referred to as a bubble. Students often seem to be removed from the world and unaware of what is going on outside of campus. They also have the reputation of often caring only about themselves and not recognizing the outside world. While in many cases that reputation is inaccurate, sometimes it is true. It is fueled by belief by both students and faculty in the Administration's "Core" as being the best way to provide the best education. One such example would be Notre Dame's disregard for national holidays. "God, Country, Notre Dame" is inscribed above the side door of the Basilica and is meant to remind the Notre Dame family about all the blessings that they have received. This idea is meant to be a symbol of our dedication to those causes. And yet, national holidays do not seem to qualify for official recognition on campus.

This past Monday was Martin Luther King Day, a national holiday. Banks were closed, there was no mail and in Indiana, at least, all public schools close for either Martin Luther King Jr or Presidents Day. Notre Dame, on the other hand, does not officially recognize either of these days. There are the student-run organizations by students and clubs on campus for this week in order to celebrate King's life and its significance, but nothing really official. Professor Rice needs only to read Plato's "Republic" to gain a better understanding of making students attend class on the day that celebrates our nation's independence. Going to class distracts us from recognizing the significance of the day while at the same time prevents us from participating in the events which are meant to be symbolic of our nation and all that we stand for.

While parades, barbeques, parties and fireworks may seem to just be fun things to do with friends and family, they also hold within themselves a distinct feeling of patriotism and national spirit. Somehow, I did not quite get the same feeling and sense of being proud to be an American while I was sitting in my statistics class.

Notre Dame needs to start to recognize the importance of acceptance and participation of national holidays. While I recognize that there may be scheduling problems and a required number of class days, do these few days really make a difference in the overall academic calendar?

I checked a number of other universities' calendars and I could not find one -- public, private, Catholic or otherwise — that was in school on Labor Day or Martin Luther King Day. If every other school can fit them in, why can't Notre Dame make the most of it?

We are given ample time to celebrate our Catholic holidays, and we certainly have a spirit of Notre Dame throughout our campus, so now let's add in the missing piece and start to bring in more of a respect for our country and respect national holidays. Not canceling classes serves to diminish the importance of the days and sends out a message to everyone that we do not care about or respect national holidays.

I do not think that that is really true at all, so let's start to send out the current message in a positive way. So, instead of letting our message continue to try to remove another part of the Notre Dame bubble, let's put in the effort to make our holidays just as important as the ones that Jesus celebrates through his life and teachings.

Professor Rice's Jan. 21 column is an outrage to the Notre Dame community and his colums will run every other school year. He makes a point of attacking Notre Dame students' and faculty's thoughts for Rice to stop his crusade against gay students?

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The views expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.
‘A Guy Thing’: Something to do

By EMILY HOWALD
Assistant Scene Editor

Looking for yet another mindless romantic comedy to occupy your time? Well, then, "A Guy Thing" is for you. It's the typical "should he get married or should he not" story. The story begins with Paul Donald (Jason Lee, "Malibu's Most Eligible Bachelor") at his bachelor party. He wakes up the next morning with a strange woman in his bed and is unsure of what happened. She leaves and he writes it off as a mistake before marriage.

The problem arises when his fiancé, Karen (Selma Blair, "Cruel Intentions"), introduces him to her cousin Becky (Julia Stiles, "Save the Last Dance"). Shockingly enough, he is the very same woman who woke up in his bed days earlier.

The rest of the movie focuses on the attraction between Stiles and Lee, as well as his struggle to determine if this marriage is fit for him. He also has to run circles around hiding the truth from his fiancé, as well as avoiding Stiles' neurotic ex-boyfriend. Lee continues to get himself in and out of trouble while battling with his own complacency.

The chemistry between Stiles and Lee is not only a humorous one, but their sarcastic and cynical personalities match well on screen. Stiles does a good job of playing the risk-taking, lofty girl who moves from one job to another. Blair plays the ideal controlling fiancé, and it matches her put-together and complex look at the process of marriage. She leaves and he writes it off as a risk-taking, lofty girl.

Karen (Selma Blair) introduces her cousin Becky (Julia Stiles) to her fiancé Paul Morse (Jason Lee). It's the typical Hollywood fare. He also has to determine if this marriage is fit for him. And although it is a familiar plot, director Chris Kock ("Snow Day," TV's "Malcolm in the Middle"), does a good job of trying to incorporate new ideas and a lot of humor. It is the typical mindless comedy that doesn't leave much to the imagination for surprise, nor does it make you think — at all.

"Adaptation" unlike anything else

By BRIAN BIRCHER
Scene Movie Critic

Writer Charlie Kaufman and director Spike Jonze of "Being John Malkovich" have teamed up again to create their fourth collaboration. Kaufman actually was hired to write a screenplay based on the book "The Orchid Thief" by writer Susan Orlean's non-fiction book "The Orchid Thief" and you get a hint of the surreal nature of this movie. "Adaptation" is a brilliant, entertaining movie that is guaranteed to be unlike anything you have seen before.

The sheer complexity of the storyline, which manages to bring together the three threads of Kaufman, Orlean and Laroche, is mind-boggling. The narrative goes back and forth in time, but without annoying flashbacks. In a movie that features such scenes as a montage of evolution of life on earth and a scene of Charles Darwin writing "The Origin of Species" this movement through time is part of the rules established by the film. "Adaptation" as has many layers, if not more, than "Being John Malkovich." Consider that Charlie Kaufman actually was hired to write a screenplay based on the book "The Orchid Thief" and produced the screenplay for "Adaptation" instead, in which he writes about Charlie Kaufman trying to adapt "The Orchid Thief" and you get a hint of the surrealist nature of this movie. "Adaptation" is a brilliant, entertaining movie that is guaranteed to be unlike anything you have seen before.
Catch another film if you can

By JOH N D O N NELLY
Scene Movie Critic

Artists often strive to tie form to content. “Catch Me If You Can” excels in this endeavor by suggesting a breezy, fun film about a con man that cons the audience. Yet plodding morality cheats the promise of the film.

“Catch Me If You Can” is the “based on real adventures” story of Frank Abagnale Jr., played by Leonardo DiCaprio, who lived quite the life before his 21st birthday. Abagnale passes himself off as a substitute teacher, airplane pilot, doctor, and lawyer, all while cashing millions of dollars worth of forged checks. Tom Hanks, playing FBI agent Carl Hanratty, doggedly pursues Abagnale throughout the film. Christopher Walken steals the show as Frank’s father.

The film has a lot going for it, and not many movies can boast of having Oscar-nominated actors in its three lead roles. Of the three, DiCaprio and Hanks turn in serviceable performances, though save one memorable moment in a car with his partners, Hanks is wrong for the part. Walken is wonderful, but his role is one of the major problems of the film.

“Catch Me If You Can” was adapted from Abagnale’s book of his exploits — the book is a quick read, with Abagnale’s ego running rampant. His exceptional self-assurance is what makes him a successful con artist. One cannot imagine an ordinary Joe casually strolling into an airport and hopping on a plane as a pilot. The film errs by expanding the role of Frank’s family and Hanratty to pump up the narrative. The book is an unabashed joyride. Abagnale makes no apologies for his behavior — the people he cons should have been more cautious. The moral of the book is that a fool and his money are soon parted; the moral of the film, that Frank is lonely because of a broken-home life and tries to be other people because he is not happy with himself.

“Catch Me If You Can” drags “Catch Me If You Can” down. The relationship between Abagnale Sr. and Jr. is touching, particularly in meetings between the two in a fancy restaurant and a run-down bar, but has no place in a movie that celebrates the luxurious lifestyle of a con artist. The same can be said of the relationship between pursuer and pursued, where perhaps only a fine line separates them.

The film is a compromise. Half the time it gleefully follows Abagnale as he dashes from scheme to scheme, the other half tries to justify his behavior. The rationalizations for his life of crime are neither entertaining nor moving. The haphazard mixture of daring crime and lament for a lost happy childhood greatly slows the pace of a film already too long.

Movies can be breezy and entertaining. There is nothing wrong with that. This film, at a long two hours, twenty minutes, could have been far more entertaining by chopping out the deadwood melodrama and emphasizing the fun that Abagnale had living his extravagant life. If the film wanted to stress his punishment for a life of crime, then his time spent in a French prison could have been played up. By the end of the film, one is unsure whether Abagnale is to be liked or pitied.

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Jordan takes third place on all-time NBA scoring list

Associated Press

NEW ORLEANS

Jamal Mashburn scored 24 points and Jamaal Magloire added 16 points and 14 rebounds to lead the New Orleans Hornets to a 103-94 victory over the Washington Wizards on Wednesday night, spilling a milestone for Michael Jordan.

Jordan scored 18 and surpassed Will Chamberlain as the NBA's third all-time scorer. He passed Chamberlain's total of 31,419 points with a minute left in the first half when he dribbled laterally with his back to the basket and drilled a fallaway jump shot from the right elbow. But Jordan would score only four points the rest of the way and his team fell behind by as many as 22 before rallying in the fourth period to keep from getting blown out. Jordan was 1-for-7 in the second half.

Jerry Stackhouse, who returned after missing four games with groin pull, led Washington with 26 and helped get Washington into striking distance early in the fourth. Eran Tamir hit a pair of free throws to bring the Wizards within 91-81 with about 8 minutes to go. But Baron Davis responded with a jumper and David Wesley found Magloire for a reverse jam to push the lead to 14. Washington never got closer than nine after that.

Wesley scored 19 for New Orleans, hitting four 3-pointers, while Davis finished with 16. Larry Hughes added 14 for Washington.

Orlando 94, Chicago 91

The lead is getting so heavy for Orlando that he doesn't even want to talk about it anymore.

McGrady scored 31 points, handed out seven assists and played solid defense, all team highs, as the Magic held off the Chicago Bulls Wednesday night. Orlando won 11 of 12 free-throw attempts in the fourth quarter, and the Magic were only 15 of 24 from the line in the final period, helping keep Chicago in the game.

McGrady was so disgusted about either of those positives.

"I never missed that many free throws," was all he had to say as he uncharacteristically left the locker room quickly after the game.

Magic coach Doc Rivers didn't blame his star. With Grant Hill out indefinitely because of recurring ankle problems, the load too often falls squarely on McGrady, with little support from his teammates.

Mike Miller scored 17 points for the Magic, and Shawn Kemp and Armstrong had 12 apiece. But Orlando shot only 38.5 percent.

The Magic scored only two field goals in the fourth quarter and only nine altogether in the second half. Though they held a 73-60 lead with 2:29 to play in the third quarter, they didn't hit another shot from the field until Andrew Davis was created for a layup with 1:47 left in the game.

Portland 112, Atlanta 110

Bozèl Wells had no trouble putting his game-winning basket in perspective.

"The biggest shot I've hit since I've been this league," he said. "I'm just happy I went from having the worst game to having a pretty good game. That's how the NBA is." Wells banked in a running one-hander with 1.4 seconds left in overtime to give the Portland Trail Blazers a victory Wednesday night over the Atlanta Hawks.

Wells was dribbling at the top of the key when he drove past Corey Benjanin and hit a 6-foot-perimeter jumper to give the Blazers their fourth win in five games.

"We had a chance to take this team out early," said Scottie Pippen, who led Portland with 22 points. "But we didn't play the kick-back defense. We penetrated and set up the pick-and-roll.

"When you're on the road, you have to be smart, and I don't think we played smart basketball when we had the lead."

Atlanta lost its sixth straight. Derek Anderson had 21 points to lead the Hawks, who led by as many as 18 midway through the second quarter before allowing the Hawks to go on 29-10 that ended with Shareef Abdur-Rahim's tip-in with 6:50 left in the third quarter.

Less than two minutes later, Glenn Robinson, Atlanta's leading scorer, was ejected for arguing with official Scott Wall, but the Hawks led by as many as five on Abudor-Rahim's 15-footer with 11.54 left in regulation.

The lead changed hands twice in the final 35.1 seconds of regulation.

Anderson, Portland's best free-throw shooter, missed two foul shots at the 1:49 mark, and Atlanta, after calling timeout, got a thunderous dunk from Benjamín to take a 96-95 lead with 4.9 seconds to go.

Indiana 101, Toronto 98

Isiah Thomas is going to the All-Star game as the coach of the Eastern Conference team, and Jermaine O'Neal showed Wednesday night why he'll likely be joining him in Atlanta.

O'Neal had a rare triple-double with 18 points, 10 rebounds and 10 blocked shots, and made the winning three-point play with 1.3 seconds left as the Pacers beat the Toronto Raptors Wednesday night.

The win means Thomas will coach the East in next month's All-Star game in Atlanta. The coaches are determined by which team has the best record in the conference as of this coming Sunday. Detroit's 92-83 loss to Philadelphia allowed Indiana to clinch the best record.

"I was more excited about them losing and getting a little more distance between them," Thomas said. "It's a great honor. Not many people get a chance to coach an All-Star game. I'm very excited about it."

He can thank O'Neal for this victory.

O'Neal set career and Pacers records for blocked shots. He had 12 in the first half, and three each in the third and fourth periods.

He tied the franchise record set by Darnell Hillman in the 1961-62 season.

"That's very rare air," Thomas said. "That's David Robinson, Bill Russell. Guys who have made their mark in this league."

Milwaukee 106, Boston 97

Ray Allen and Sam Cassell dominated for Milwaukee while Antoine Walker watched helplessly from the Boston bench.

Allen scored 34 points, Cassell had the second triple-double of his career and the Bucks capitalized on a rare injury to Walker to defeat the Celtics Wednesday night.

"Ray had a great roll going," Milwaukee coach George Karl said. "It's hard to have a guy like that to go on for the road."

Allen had 14 points in the third quarter when Milwaukee stretched a 56-54 lead to 84-76. After Paul Pierce led a Celtics surge that cut an 11-point deficit to 98-93, Allen hit the Bucks' next two baskets for a 102-95 lead with 1:33 to go.

"I didn't do anything" different, he said. "I tried to be aggressive. We penetrated and got a lot of good looks."

Cassell had 14 points, 16 assists and 11 rebounds, and Michael Biehl added 16 points.

The Bucks shot very well despite aggressive Boston defense. They hit 53 percent of their shots and 12 of 24 from 3-point range. Allen was 13-for-23 overall and 5-for-8 on 3-pointers.

"We just ran into a buzzsaw with their ability to knock down shots," Boston coach Jim O'Brien said. "We did a nice job of moving the basketball, not quite as nice as they did, though."

Boston, which ended a four-game winning streak, was led by Pierce with 30 points, Walker with 22 and rookie J.R. Bremer with 18.

But the Celtics missed Walker, sidelined with a sprained right knee, only the 11th game he's missed in his 6 NBA seasons and the first this season.

They still penetrate and look for the 3's. Milwaukee's Anthony Mason said: "He's a big talent loss, but they still have some good shooters out there."

The Celtics had won their previous game, 100-99 at Philadelphia on Monday night.
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what’s happening

Thursday, 1.23
MLK-Light for the Journey
Mass of Celebration
7:00 p.m.
Keenan-Stanford Chapel

Friday, 1.24
Learning to Talk About
Race Retreat #24
Friday and Saturday
Lindenwood Retreat Center

Freshman Retreat #45
Friday and Saturday
Sacred Heart Parish Center

807 Mass
8:00 p.m
Coleman-Morse Hammes
Student Lounge

Sunday, 1.26
RCIA Session
10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.
Coleman-Morse Student Lounge

Sankofa Academy Open Discussion Group
2:00-3:30 p.m.
316 Coleman-Morse Center

Monday, 1.27
JPW Auditions for Lectors
4:00-5:00 p.m.
Basilia of the Sacred Heart

Mark your calendar

In the midst of a noisy culture, ever find yourself desiring a chance for quiet contemplation? Bet you never thought of that peace? Come join the University community for a night of quiet prayer and song. The Folk Choir will be singing, Student Government officers will lead the prayers, and we expect a great turnout. Consider yourself invited to the quiet, and to the contemplation....

Tuesday, February 11, 7 p.m. @ the Basilica

Mass schedule

Fourth Sunday of Ordinary Time

Basilica of the Sacred Heart
Saturday
5:00 p.m.
Rev. Sean McGraw, c.s.c.

Sunday
10:00 a.m.
Rev. Sean McGraw, c.s.c.
11:45 a.m.
Rev. Peter Jarret, c.s.c.

Around Campus (every Sunday)
1:30 p.m.
Spanish Mass
Zahm Hall Chapel

5:00 p.m.
Law School Mass
Law School Chapel

7:00 p.m.
MBA Mass
Mendoza COB Facility Lounge

Considerations....

Dr. King Celebration
Making your Mark
Speaking your Mind

by Chandra Johnson
Assistant to the President

Instead of flying-in a high-priced peace activist or organizing a multi-ethnic talent show, we tried something new this year. We sent out an e-mail to about 50 students and asked if they would be interested in participating in a dinner discussion in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. All but a few said “yes.” Your response to our invitation confirmed our suspicions: you’ve got something to say.

The New York Times and Matt the Poet are becoming primary sources for theology essays and Sunday homilies. The convergence of current events with Christian values is both forming and challenging your social perspective, and there is an awakening of sorts in your minds and hearts. Throughout the past few months, The Observer has been peppered with viewpoints prompted by world and national events. Whether in class assignments or impromptu conversations, your passionate discussions on racism, affirmative action, the environment, abortion, and other social matters are not crisis-driven as in the past when misunderstandings about race fueled campus-wide stress. Your opinions are now interest-driven. For some, you’re praying more. For others, you’re paying close attention to the nightly news and daily web casts. On a Christian Catholic campus, this response to the realities of your daily life is called faith in action. You’re responding to your world and talking to each other about solutions.

The Dr. King Celebration Dinner held yesterday was a new way to respond to Dr. King’s message. The students we asked to participate were selected by members of the University’s MLK Committee, peers who felt confident in identifying members of the student body who have solid opinions on war, race, economics and other hot topics which touch the heart of the human condition. The setting was the second floor of the Main Building with the Columbus murals as the backdrop. The controversial pictorials of our country’s founding prompted discussions which we hoped would yield informed and thoughtful commentary among peers. There were six tables of eight, and each table was assigned a topic: war, affirmative action, gender equity, economics and social class, the hiring of Coach Willingham, and a topic self-selected by graduate students. I wish I could tell you that the event was a success, but I can’t. This article was due on Tuesday and the dinner was last night. I’ll let you know in this column next month. However, as we planned, what we know for sure was that as a University committee comprised of students and administrators, we were confident that the opportunity to share a meal while sharing insights would reveal the depth of our beliefs and active response to stabilize an uncertain world. But we didn’t stop there.

Tonight the conversation will be moved from the dinner table to the altar. Take your place at the Lord’s Supper as we conclude our Dr. King celebration with Mass at 7:00 p.m. in the Keenan-Stanford Chapel. Everyone is welcome! With Fr. J. Steele leading us in prayer, and the Celebration combined choirs leading us in song, we will profess our commitment to leadership through love and rededicate the spirit of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.’s legacy. His message is timeless-it continues to inform and challenge us. Making your mark is believing you have something worthwhile to say. Leadership is not being afraid to say it.

By the way: the Dr. King Celebration Dinner will be opened to everyone next year. Space will be limited so be sure to sign up early! Better yet, contact me if you’d like to be a member of the committee.

Light for the Journey - Mass of Celebration
All are Welcome
Keenan-Stanford Chapel
7:00 p.m.
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NHL

Fleury seeks help, regrets ‘bad choice’

Associated Press

CHICAGO

Theo Fleury said Wednesday he’d made a “bad choice” and was ready to accept the consequences after Ohio police said he was intoxicated following an altercation at a strip club.

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“I made a bad decision,” said Fleury, who was suspended for the first 25 games of the season after violating the NHL’s substance abuse aftercare program.

“Whatever the consequences are, I’m fully aware. I’ll deal with the consequences when they happen,” Blackhawks coach Brian Sutter said.

Blackhawks coach Brian Sutter said the matter was being handled internally.

“Something happened that we regret and it’s being handled internally,” Sutter said. “Do we like it? No, but it’s being handled internally.”

Fleury met with Blackhawks general manager Steve Smith on Tuesday. NHL spokesman Frank Brown would not comment on whether the league has been notified of the incident. Fleury is under the supervision of two doctors as part of the NHL’s aftercare program.

Sgt. Brent Mull, spokesman for the Columbus, Ohio police department, said officers received a call from an attendant at a gas station across the street from the Pure Platinum strip club about 4:45 a.m. Sunday. A group of men had used a pay phone at the station to call a cab, and Mull said the attendant was concerned because one of the men looked as if he’d been assaulted.

The cab was gone by the time the police showed up, but another officer, Jason Gunther, saw the cab and stopped it.

“Sure enough, those were the people the attendant had called about,” Mull said.

According to Gunther’s report, Fleury was “intoxicated” and said he’d been “hit several times by about nine bouncers” at the strip club. He refused medical attention for a cut above his left eye, and refused to give his address or phone number.

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Celebration, 2003

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Golf

Sorenstam eyes the PGA tour

Associated Press

ORLANDO, Fla. — Annika Sorenstam has dominated her competition on the LPGA Tour the last two seasons. Her next challenge might be against the men.

Sorenstam said Wednesday she would relish the chance to play a PGA Tour event, provided she received a sponsor’s exemption and the tournament was held on a golf course that suits her game.

“If I got an invite, I would say yes in a heartbeat,” she said at Bay Hill Club and Lodge during an appearance for Callaway Golf. “It’s a great challenge. It’s not something I want to do regularly, but it would be a great learning experience.”

Her agent, Mark Steinberg of IMG, said the chances of that happening this year are “very possible,” as long as it’s the right tournament, the right course, and it fits her LPGA Tour schedule.

“I suspect that after today, there will be more than one tournament that is very interested,” he said. “There are going to be several tournaments that will not even consider it. That would be my guess. But there will be quite a few that express some interest.”

Eric Mehl, tournament director of the 84 Lumber Classic of Pennsylvania, said it is too early to determine how the new event will use its sponsor’s exemptions in September.

PGA Tour spokesman Rob Combs said the tour has no regulations against women playing, and that tournaments have the flexibility to use their exemptions to round out the field or to create interest.

He said it was “conceivable” that a tournament would offer Sorenstam an exemption.

The topic came up when Sorenstam, who won 13 times around the world last year and set or tied nearly two dozen records, was asked about Suzy Whaley.

Whaley, a Connecticut club pro, won a PGA sectional from a shorter set of tees than the men and qualified for the Greater Hartford Open in late July. She will be the first woman to play on the PGA Tour in the modern era.

“We have to play from the championship tees with the men,” she said. “I think she’s very brave. She’s doing this to show her daughters that anything is possible.”

“Sorenstam said she would ‘relish’ the chance to compete in a PGA tour event next season if asked.

She thinks she would do well, adding that she could only compete if the course wasn’t excessively long, had tight fairways and punishing rough, which she rarely gets into as the LPGA’s best driver.

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The Florida Marlins and 10-time All-Star catcher Ivan Rodriguez agreed Wednesday on a $10 million, one-year contract.

Rodriguez played 1,479 games with the Texas Rangers, hitting .303 with 215 home runs and 829 RBI and developing a reputation as one of the best catchers in baseball.

The Rangers refused to offer the 31-year-old Rodriguez salary arbitration last December in a payroll-slashing move. Rodriguez received a $2 million severance payment from the team as the end of his previous contract.

Florida will pay Rodriguez $3 million this year, with the remainder deferred without interest. The Marlins will pay him $2 million on June 1, 2004, and $2 million each on June 1 in the following two years.

His deal with the Marlins includes a no-trade clause and an agreement that the Marlins will not offer him salary arbitration after the season.

Rodriguez missed nearly two months early last season because of a herniated disk in his back, but hit .314 with 19 home runs and 60 RBIs in 108 games.

He replaces sluggers Cliff Floyd and Preston Wilson in the middle of the lineup and working with a young and talented starting rotation that includes A.J. Burnett, Brad Penny and Josh Beckett.

The Marlins traded catcher Charles Johnson to Colorado in November as part of a six-player deal that brought left-hander Mike Hampton and outfielder Juan Pierre to Florida. Hampton was then traded to Atlanta.

Jim Beattie, Baltimore's executive vice president of baseball operations, had been trying to sign Rodriguez.

"I thought Ivan was a very good fit for us, playing in the AL, where he could be a designated hitter when he wasn’t catching," Beattie said. "But he lives in Miami, and I’m sure those were among his considerations. We spent most of the day talking about a three-year deal, but I guess he wanted to go with more money and a shorter term. I would have been discouraged if we paid more money than we were comfortable with. The offer we made was what we thought was an appropriate amount of money. I’m satisfied with our effort. The offer we made made sense for us."
The U.S. Open is the only Sjeng Schalken in the third round at Wimbledon in 2000. It began in 1968. It topped Mark Philippoussis' 20-18 win over fifth set in the Open era, which was just pure fighting," he said.

"My legs were feeling a little bit heavy at the end," he said. "Andy kept serving really quick rest.

On El Aynaoui's last service game, his left leg was shaking with fatigue.

"My respect level for him just grew and grew through the match," Roddick said. "We could see each other 10 years down the line and know we shared something special."

The 20-year-old American becomes the youngest semifinalist at Melbourne Park in 11 years, advancing to the last four at a major for the first time.

"This match is the kind you have to win in a Grand Slam — these are the big matches."

He'll meet Rainer Schuettler in the semis after the German ousted Wimbledon runner-up David Nalbandian 6-3, 5-7, 6-1, 6-0 in the other semifinal. In the other semifinal, Andre Agassi plays Wayne Ferrerza.

Roddick had lost in the quarterfinals twice at the U.S. Open, but had never advanced this far in a Grand Slam outside his home country.

Roddick was the youngest player into quarters this time, rallying from two sets down against Russian Davis Cup star Mikhail Youzhny.
Duke suffers second straight loss

Associated Press

RALEIGH, N.C. — Clifford Crawford scored 21 points and Julius Hodge added 18 as North Carolina State snapped a 13-game losing streak to No. 3 Duke with an 80-71 victory Wednesday night.

The Blue Devils (11-2, 3-1 Atlantic Coast Conference) were the nation's top-ranked team a week ago, but lost their second straight conference game for the first time since 1997. Duke lost to No. 12 Maryland by 15 points on Saturday.

Duke again had its way in the opening minutes, outscoring the Wolfpack (10-4, 3-1) 9-0 before the opening 4:34 before the Wolfpack didn't score for the opening 4:34 before getting back to it.

In Brief

Sakic out two-to-four weeks with broken foot

Colorado Avalanche captain Joe Sakic will be out two-to-four weeks because of a broken right foot.

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The Wolfpack faced adversity seconds later when Melvin picked up his third and fourth fouls in a 10-second span and the Blue Devils went on a 9-0 run to regain the lead, setting up a tense final 10 minutes in the 219th meeting of the rivals.

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back injury, set the freshman up for her first start against Marquette. During that game, she proved that starting her had not been the wrong choice. "We didn't have anyone out there with the exception of Courtney who was saying, "Hey, give me the ball and I can score,"" McGraw said after the game. Marquette was one of four double-doubles that LaVere had since the Tennessee game. Her other double-doubles came against top 10 Purdue and against St. John's last Tuesday. "It's crucial for our team that Courtney almost get a double-double," Duffy said. "And she's capable of doing that every night." And what she did before she earned herself a starting spot was only the beginning. Since her start against Marquette on New Year's Eve, LaVere has been the new player in the starting five for the year. She is averaging 15.9 points and 8.4 rebounds a game, shooting 56.6 percent from the field and is in the top 20 in the Big East in scoring, rebounding, field goal percentage and blocked shots with 18 blocked shots in 16 games. LaVere knows that if she can get the ball, she can score. So when her team is down, she wants to take control. "If we're struggling offensively, I feel like I can score so I want the ball, I'll call for it," LaVere said. The style of Notre Dame's offense has also been beneficial. As a post player in the triangle offense that revolves around getting the ball into the post, LaVere has the benefit of being the first look from her teammates. And as far as they're concerned, there's no one else they'd rather look for. "I love to give her the ball as much as I can," Duffy said. "She's a great post player." And the teams that Notre Dame, aside from Connecticut, hasn't really been able to respond. Connecticut coach Geno Auriemma was impressed by LaVere's play on Monday when the Huskies beat the Irish 72-53. "LaVere's going to be a great player," Auriemma. "I love the way she plays." Although her teammates may describe her as being "goofy" off the court and tease her about the change from Southern California to the wintery South Bend weather, LaVere is has proven that Notre Dame is for her. Lucky for the Irish, she is for Notre Dame.

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returns, the Irish suffered huge losses at sabre with captains and All-Americans Andre Debic and Gabor Szelle returning to the program. Former All-Americans have freshman fill the voids, two seniors and 2002 NCAA Champions - the only loss was Ament's to Kryczalo, who became the individual title by defeating Ament for a second time.

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In their first true match of the season, the freshmen came through for the women's tennis team.

The Irish, ranked 22nd nationally, improved to 5-1 in their past 10 home openers as they defeated the Western Michigan Broncos, 5-2 at the Eck Tennis Pavilion.

Three freshmen - Jen Smith, Lauren Connelly, and Kristina Stastny - proved that despite its youth, this Notre Dame squad is a worthy opponent. The trio contributed four of the Irish points through both their doubles and singles play.

Irish coach Jay Louderback, beginning his 14th season with Notre Dame, was pleased with the performance, and was particularly uplifted by the team's rookies.

"I think we overcame inexperience for a first match," he said. "That first match, especially for the freshmen, is tough. They don't know what to expect."

Stastny admitted being a little nervous.

"Of course, nerves kick in the first two, three games, but after that it was nice and comfortable," she said. "It was fun. Every match, I'm hoping to build confidence."

The Irish began the match by winning the doubles point, with the duo of junior Alicia Sales and Connelly winning 8-1. Sophomore Sarah Jane Connolly, the older member of one of two sets of siblings on the team, and freshman Smith won their match 8-2.

Stastny, the younger Connolly, Smith, and Sales all won their singles matches in straight sets. Additionally, freshmen Kelly Nelson and Liz Donohue emerged victorious from their exhibition singles matches.

"Especially [being at] first match with three freshmen in the singles line-up, it was good," Louderback said. "It was good for our freshmen to get that first match out of the way."

"For Smith, winning yesterday was an important mental victory."

"My fall was really tough, and I was really nervous," Smith said. "I put too much pressure on myself. Coming into today, I just wanted to focus on having fun and just playing like I've been practicing."

Smith went on to defeat the Broncos' Battyra Hirarati 6-2, 6-3. The freshman Connolly won with the same score over Shamin Mayanja. Stastny rounded out the youth rebellion against the Broncos with her 6-0, 6-2 triumph over Valeria Stoilova.

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The reason for Notre Dame's home opener win-streak, according to Louderback, is probably easy scheduling early.

"Easy scheduling ceases for the majority of the first few matches. Over the course of the season, the Irish will play at least nine teams currently ranked in the top 16 nationally."

"Our kids are afforded a lot of good opportunities to play some really good teams," Louderback said. "We're starting at 22 and our goal as the year goes on is to keep climbing. We want to climb the rankings."

On Sunday, the Irish will face Wisconsin. Last year, the Badgers knocked Notre Dame out of the first round of the NCAA tournament.

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ND WOMENS BASKETBALL

A diamond in the rough

♦ Freshman finds starting role, surprises struggling Irish

By KATIE MCVoy
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If the last several weeks have been rocky for the Irish, then Courtney LaVere has been a diamond in the rough. In the last four home games, the Irish have recorded zero victories and left the Irish have recorded zero victories and left

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Irish forward

or fan at the beginning of the year. It seemed uncertain even to LaVere herself. "I really didn't think so," LaVere said. "I knew I'd come in and help contribute but I didn't know to what extent." LaVere began the season coming off the bench, playing behind post players Katy Flecky, Teresa Burton, Jackie Batteast and Kelsey Wicks. LaVere wasn't sure when her chance would come to step on the court first for the Irish. But the freshman from Ventura, Calif., managed to find herself a back door into the Irish starting lineup. "I think she kind of snuck in," Duffy said. "At the beginning of the season, the coaches said to Courtney and I that we're going to take it slow, but I think we both caught on quick." Over the holidays, the Irish began to first struggle and then to lose confidence in their abilities. They were looking for someone who would step up. LaVere made it perfectly clear that if she could get the ball, she could get some things done for the Irish. "I think that when we were struggling someone had to step up and I was confident enough to know I could help the team," LaVere said. "At the beginning of the year all of credit and we are going to do."

Freshman Courtney LaVere moves the ball down the court during Notre Dame's 64-61 loss to Rutgers on Jan. 18. The forward has been a bright spot for the Irish during their recent struggles.

Against the Vols, LaVere had a game-high 17 points and 11 rebounds. That, coupled with the aggravation of Flecky's

FENCING

New coach, same elusive goal — a national championship

♦ Bednarski wants to balance teamwork and individuality

By MATT LOZAR
Sports Editor

When the national team rankings came out, first-year head coach Janusz Bednarski was a little surprised. "We have a good image so maybe they gave us a little bit of credit and we are going to try to accomplish what they expect from Notre Dame," Bednarski said of the team's No. 2 ranking. "We have to be patient. This team is unpredictable, but they can win." Bednarski replaced retired Yves Auriol in May and got to accomplish something Auriol never could — win a national title. Returning 10 of the 12 fencers who participated in the 2002 NCAA Championships, Bednarski looks to use that experience and leadership to capture the team's first national championship since 1994. One of the main challenges of a fencing coach is getting the team to act like that — as a team. Fencers become accustomed to being on their own out on the strip and Bednarski knows creating a team-first attitude is necessary to compete for the national title. "Fencing is an individual sport even when you bouts as a team, you are off on your own against your opponent. There is something when you are fencing for yourself and for a team," Bednarski said. "When you bouts for a team, you show your real personality as a member of the group. Then you can fence better and accomplish results than fencing on your own. "It is really interesting to see people change when boxing for a group." White most of the team see FENCING/page 21