South Bend raises sewer rates

By LINDA SKALSKI
News Writer

The South Bend City Council recently passed an 80 percent price raise in the cost of sewer utility, a cost that directly affects the Notre Dame community.

"An increase in rates is necessary for the Wastewater Utility to continue to serve as a community asset for environmental stewardship and economic development," wrote Mayor Stephen Lukeec in a statement to the community.

The proposal affected the policy for determining customer rates. Instead of charging on a flat rate system, customers pay for what they use.

"This system is fairer to our residents," South Bend City Council member John Aranowski said. "Residents who use less will pay less." Notre Dame, the largest user of the public sewer service, will not be charged on a flat rate system, customers pay for what they use.

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Dining hall T-shirts espouse rivalry

By HELENA PAYNE
News Editor

The Office of Information Technology is inviting students to participate Monday in a mock election to test an application for online voting in the upcoming student government races.

"It's going to look and operate just as the actual election will," said Patricia Sperry, manager of Web developer services.

From 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., students can access the voting Web page from any computer with Internet access and vote for imaginary candidates, logging into the page with their APS ID and password. The judicial board will e-mail the link to students at midnight.

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One entrée and four sides.

That's what students can get at Grab 'n Go at the North and South Dining Halls. What some students don't know about is the little chunk of loving rivalry that comes with each brown paper bag.

Notre Dame Food Services employs two couples who work at the dining halls, Mike and Barbara Quigg and Jim and Edna Anspaugh.

Daily Halls, students pay for what they order, and students pay for what they eat. The dusting of flour, the clinking of plates, and the happy sounds of conversation play a role in what happens in the halls.

Mike Quigg, Barbara Quigg, Edna Anspaugh and Jim Anspaugh sport the T-shirts they wear as part of their friendly rivalry between North Dining Hall and South Dining Hall.

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White House postpones poetry

**Associated Press**

NEW YORK

Two former U.S. poet laureates criticized the White House on Thursday for postponing a literary symposium it believed would be politicized. Stanley Kunitz and Rita Dove characterized the decision as an example of the Bush administration's hostility to dissent or creative voices.

The Feb. 12 symposium on "Poetry and the American Voice" was to have featured the works of Emily Dickinson, Langston Hughes and Walt Whitman. The postponement was announced Wednesday and no future date has been set for the event, to be held by first lady Laura Bush.

"I think there was a general feeling that the current administration is not really a friend of the poetic community and that its program of attacking Iraq is contrary to the humanitarian position that is at the center of the poetic impulse," Kunitz, the 1993 to '95, said the postponement was announced Wednesday that the symposium had been postponed, Norveila Rodriguez, a spokeswoman for the first lady, said: "While Mrs. Bush respects the right of all Americans to express their opinions, she, too, has opinions and believes it would be inappropriate to turn a literary event into a political forum."

Mrs. Bush, a former librarian who has made teaching and early childhood development her signature issues, has held a series of White House events to salute America's authors. The gatherings are usually lively affairs with discussions of literature and its effect on society.

Hughes and Whitman themselves were frequent social commentators. Whitman once complained that the presidency and other offices were "bought, sold, electrified for, prostituted, and filled with prostitutes." Hughes' political writings and left-wing sympathies led to FBI surveillance and harassment from Sen. Joseph McCarthy.

Kunitz and others had refused to attend the symposium and a nationwide protest was scheduled to take place in Washington. Poets Sam Hamill, a poet and editor of the highly regarded Copper Canyon Press, e-mailed friends asking for poems or statements opposing military action against Iraq.

"Make Feb. 12 a day of Poetry Against the War. We will compile an anthology of protest to be presented to the White House on that afternoon," the e-mail reads.

He had expected about 50 responses; he's gotten about 2,000, including contributions from W.S. Merwin, Adrienne Rich and Lawrence Ferlinghetti, whose poem, "Coda," includes the lines "And America turns the attack on the World Trade Center-Into the beginning of the Third World War."

Hamill will post all the submissions on a Web site that began running Thursday. White House invitations have inspired protests before. In 1965, poet Robert Lowell refused to attend a White House arts festival, citing opposition to the Vietnam War. Marilyn Nelson, a former poet laureate, said Wednesday she had accepted her invitation to the poetry symposium because she felt her "presence would promote peace."
Annual appeal assists gay and lesbian students

By CAITLIN EARLY

News Writer

Each year, GALA-ND/SMC (Gay and Lesbian Alumniae of Notre Dame and Saint Mary's College) sponsors a fundraising campaign to support gay and lesbian student groups on both campuses. OUTReachND and the Feminist Collective are pleased to announce that the annual appeal has been a resounding success, with a final tally expected to be released in the near future.

This year, the appeal raised funds for a variety of student initiatives, including support for gay and lesbian students facing academic difficulties, mental health concerns, and financial needs. The funds will also be used to support ongoing needs of gay and lesbian students in the Notre Dame community.

In a recent letter to GALA members, Kevin Heffernan, chair of the group, wrote, "Our ongoing commitment to supporting the current LGBT student community — both spiritually and financially — one of the principal components of our mission — has proven key in substantively altering the culture in which current students are able to exist and identifying their needs." GALA also plans to continue its tradition of placing students from Notre Dame and Saint Mary's in academic and professional internships with organizations and HIV/AIDS organizations.

"The committee was started in response to the concerns of gay and lesbian students on campus who felt that their needs were not being met by the administration," said Mary Gude, assistant to the vice president of student affairs.

Mary Gude

Kate Nagengast at 631-4541 or Business Manager Lori Lewalski and Operations Manager Bob Woods at 631-5313.

Any sophomore or junior business major interested in gaining valuable work experience is encouraged to apply for Business Manager or Operations Manager. Applicants should be financially — one of the principal components of our community.

For more information about the annual appeal or to make a donation, please contact the GALA office at 631-5313. For information about GALA-ND/SMC, please visit www.gala-ndsmc.org.

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Board of Trustees raises $1 million

By MELANIE BECKER
New World

Saint Mary's Board of Trustees raised over $1 million for the College, fulfilling their commitment to Catholic education as outlined in the Lilly Endowment Challenge. In March of 2002 the Lilly Endowment, Inc., announced the "Initiative to Strengthen Board Commitment," stating that they would match funds raised up to $3.5 million dollars.

The stipulations were that up to $3 million had to come from alumni, up to $250,000 from parent giving, and up to $250,000 from current and former faculty and staff. All of the funds had to be raised by the Board of Trustees from colleges and universities in Indiana.

"The Lilly Endowment believes that there is a strong correlation between the strength of a higher education institution and the level of trustee giving," Melanie Engler, director of Public Relations and Marketing Communications said.

The Saint Mary's Board of Trustees decided to take on the challenge along with the support of Marilou Eldred, president of the College, and Shari Rodriguez, vice president for College relations. The aim was to raise $1 million over the nine-month period. By the end of the Lilly Challenge, the Board has raised $1,790,000.

In order to raise funds letters were sent to alumni, students, parents, faculty, staff and other contributors. Health and Wellness held a bake sale in December which drew in an approximately 200 students, faculty and staff who raised $3,500.

A Lilly Faculty/Staff Challenge was set forth to Saint Mary's faculty and staff, the goal was to raise $250,000. New contributors from the faculty and staff opted for automatic payroll deduction for this specific fundraiser. Previous contributors from the faculty and staff have increased their donation to the College.

"As of Jan. 8, almost $750,000 has been received from 27 percent of the College's full and part-time employees. Each gift doubles the difference we can make in student lives and is deeply appreciated. The campaign has inspired generosity from every area of the campus, including a leadership gift of an endowed scholarship, gifts through payroll deduction, and gifts of cash," Engler said.

Faculty and staff used the opportunity to create scholarships and other specific funding of their choice for the college.

Mary DePauw, director of Counseling and Career Development, established the Janovsky-DePauw Memorial Scholarship in honor of her late mother, a former third grade teacher of Saint Francis in Chicago. The Janovsky-DePauw Scholarship will be awarded to disadvantaged students from the Chicago area.

"Mom's love for the Catholic faith and commitment to Catholic education enriched the lives of her family and her students," DePauw said in a previous interview. "I would like helping to make it possible for a young woman to come to Saint Mary's."

Additional funds will go towards other scholarships, construction of the new academic building, and the new dining hall and student center.

The Board of Trustees plans to continue the fundraising effort now that the Lilly Challenge period is over with a Mardi Gras Pet Luck in February, a tour of the new Noble Family Dining Hall in March, another bake sale in May and a Halloween party next fall.

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director of public relations

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Furthermore, he highlighted the substitution of religion, specifically the Catholic Church, by an individualistic American culture, as well as the recent priest abuse scandals.

"The Church is now weakened institutionally," said George.

Referring to his diocese, which covers Cooke and Lake Counties of Illinois, he pointed out its statistics on sacraments. Unlike baptisms, confirmations and funerals, he said marrieds have "plummeted" as people have left faith in it or decided to participate in civil ceremonies instead. Coinciding with lowered marriage rates in the diocese, he criticized no-fault divorces.

"This is troubling," he said.

George, who has also studied the diversity of human culture, also shared how the American society is unique in its relationship with the law, calling it a "culture carrier in the United States."

Quoting several academics including cultural anthropologists and philosophers, the cardinal called on the law to use its unique position to revitalize American cultural institutions.

"We need civil law more than ever to protect us in our institutions," he said.

In 1997, George became the first native of Chicago to serve as its archbishop. Before his appointment, George was the archbishop of Portland, Ore. and the bishop of Yakima, Wash. He also taught at Tufts University and Creighton University and served in Rome as vicar general of his order from 1974 to 1986.

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Bush to Saddam: time for diplomacy is short

**KOREAN PENINSULA**

North Korea slams Bush address as lies, warmongering

Associated Press

SEOUL North Korea on Thursday said President Bush's State of the Union address was an "undisguised declaration of aggression."

In its first reaction to the speech, North Korea said it "will never allow the U.S. to be mindful in Iraq and I want our friends in the United States to be mindful of those."

"There will be a reaction not only in Pakistan, also all over the Islamic world, there will be a reaction even in Europe," he said.

Bush also talked to Jose Manuel Durao Barroso, the Portuguese prime minister, and to Swedish Prime Minister Goeran Persson. Meanwhile, Canada cautioned the United States against acting alone against Iraq.

"If one state acts by itself it risks consequences," said Bill Graham, the foreign minister of Canada. Graham met with Secretary of State Colin Powell and said afterward that the United Nations had a responsibility to force Iraq to disarm.

On Capitol Hill, Richard Armitage, deputy secretary of state, faced a hearing before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee.

**WORLD NEWS BRIEFS**

Iraq proposes talks with UN inspectors: Iraq invited the chief U.N. inspectors back to Baghdad on Thursday for more talks on ways to verify its disarmament and defected charges that Saddam Hussein's government is not cooperating fully with them. President adviser Amer al-Saadi asked Hans Blix and Mohamed ElBaradei to return in advance of their next crucial report to the U.N. Security Council on Feb. 14. The U.N. officials said he was in Washington to discuss amnesty for Saddam.

Saudi Foreign Minister Prince Saud al-Faisal told reporters outside the White House that he had not spoken to Bush about exile, though other Saudi officials said he was in Washington to discuss amnesty for Saddam.

Saudia Arabia's foreign minister, who is expected to return to the United States to be mindful that nuclear weapons will bring only isolation, economic stagnation and downfall, "and to show the North Korea government that nuclear weapons will bring only isolation, economic stagnation and continued hardship."

North Korea is demanding a nonaggression treaty with the United States before it gives up its nuclear programs.

**NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS**

Shoe bomber gets life imprisonment: Richard Reid, the al-Qaeda follow who tried to blow up a trans-Atlantic jettliner with explosives hidden in his shoes, was sentenced to life in prison Thursday by a judge who warned him: "We are not afraid ... We are Americans. We have been through the fire before."

N.C. officials probe deadly plant blast: Investigators sought the help of eyewitnesses Thursday for clues to the cause of an explosion and raging fire at a plastics factory in Kinston that killed three people and injured 37 others. Ten people remained in critical condition, and officials said Thursday that another was unaccounted for.

Top WTC plans propose taller towers: Two proposals to replace the World Trade Center with skyscrapers even bigger than the ones destroyed on Sept. 11 have emerged as leading contenders in the ground zero design competition. Officials with the Lower Manhattan Development Corp. and other agencies will meet on Monday and are expected to choose two finalists out of the nine designs unveiled Dec. 18. A final choice is expected in February. A source familiar with the rebuffing effort said developed cooperation staff and board members favored largetower twin towers proposed by the THK Team of architects, and a plan from Berlin-based Dani Bidek that would use the foundation walls of the original towers. Each plan features structures that would surpass Malaysia's 1,483-foot Petronas Twin Towers as the tallest in the world. Some people who live and work around ground zero have expressed fear that erecting such giant skyscrapers would invite another terrorist attack.

**WORLD & NATION**

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Rubber dust may have caused explosion

Associated Press

KINSTON, N.C. A deadly explosion that tore apart a medical supply factory may have been caused by an ignitable cloud of rubber dust, a board said Thursday after interviews and a search for clues at the plant. The three-day search for clues was hampered by the ruins of the plant, which left three employees dead and injured 37, occurred in a part of the West Pharmaceutical Services factory where rubber was mixed and formed into sheets. Ten people remained in critical condition. One person who had been accounted for was located Thursday. The process of making the rubber produces significant quantities of dust, according to a statement from the U.S. Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board. "Investigations are pursuing a theory that the massive explosion which led to the destruction of the plant was caused by an ignitable dust cloud," the board said.

About 130 people were injured, with 19 being rocked by the explosion and a raging fire Wednesday.

On Thursday, agents from the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives, the FBI, the State Bureau of Investigation and the Chemical Safety Board interviewed workers but did not explain why the building was still smoldering.

North Carolina Fire Chief Deral Raynor said a 900-square-foot section remained intact at the back of the plant's mixing tower where a fire, probably fueled by rubber, continued to burn under the debris.

Some of injured had severe burns over as much as 70 percent of their bodies. Other victims had fractured bones, and one person's arm was blown off.

"It was like a scene you never want to see in your life," said Dr. Vicky Lanier, an emergency room physician at Lenoir Memorial Hospital. "It's amazing that more of those people weren't killed. Somebody somewhere was looking out for them."
Title IX's fundamental proportion—the vote. 

The vote. 

The Commission on Opportunity in Athletics considered two dozen recommendations for Title IX in two days of sometimes contentious meetings. The most sweeping recommendations were defeated, and the panel deadlocked 7-7 on a proposal to make a major change. 

That proposal called for altering the requirement that the ratio of male to female athletes at colleges and universities be the same as the overall student body.

Commissioner Lisa Graham Keegan showed up after the plan was considered and left the meeting early without talking to reporters about why she missed the vote.

The commission will forward a report to Education Secretary Rod Paige, who will consider changes to Title IX. It takes an act of Congress to fundamentally change the law, but Paige can alter the way compliance is measured.

University of Maryland Athletic Director Debbie Yow, who proposed the recommendation that produced the tie, said she's satisfied because under commission rules the deadlock means it will still go into the record.

After Yow's proposal failed to pass, several more changes that would have altered or eliminated Title IX's fundamental proportion—already standard were defeated.

Instead, the commission voted to tinker with the standard, recommending changes in the ways students and cr-atheletes are counted toward Title IX compliance.

Title IX prohibits gender discrimination in programs that receive federal funding. Its effect has been profound: The number of girls participating in high school sports rose from 294,000 to 2.8 million from 1971 to 2002. The number of women in college sports increased fivefold during the same time frame.

The law was clarified in 1979 with the introduction of the "three-prong" test, which gave schools the option of meeting any single element to be in compliance:

- A school's male-female athlete ratio must be "substantially proportionate" to its male-female enrollment.
- The school must show an ongoing history of broadening opportunities for women.
- A school must show that it is "fully and effectively" accommodating the interests and abilities of women.

The first prong gets the most attention, and it's the only one that can be met using pure statistics with little or no subjective interpretation. Even so, there is still a substantial gap between the percentage of U.S. female college students (56 percent) and the percentage of female college athletes (42 percent).

The commission recommended several changes in the first standard. One would establish a predetermined number of roster spots on each team that count toward Title IX compliance, rather than the actual number of athletes.

Chairman Ted Leland, athletic director at Stanford, said this rule would prevent a school from putting "100 women on the rowing team" to comply with the law.

"People just pump their numbers up by having a huge roster on their first day of competition," Leland said.

The commission also voted to not count male walk-ons -- athletes not on scholarships -- and strengthen the standard of those who are part-time or older as part of a school's male total.

The change would mostly affect smaller schools, particularly community colleges.

Northern Illinois University athletic director Cary Groth opposed the recommendation.

"Walk-ons do cost money," Groth said. "We get back to what is the center of these discussions, and that is money.

Yow amended her plan to try it passed. It called for schools to be allowed a 50-50 split of male and female athletes, regardless of the student body makeup, with a byway of 2 to 3 percentage points.

Her earlier proposal called for a byway of 5 to 7 percentage points. "If we had an apple and were hungry and we wanted to be fair, we'd give it 50-50," Yow said.

Commissioner Julie Foudy, a member of the U.S. women's national soccer team, was among those who voted against the plan.

"She said she didn't believe the commission's mandate was to change proportionality and favor women," a statement of the existing law.

"The commissioners also voted eight against a proposal that interest surveys on campuses be used to set a standard for proportionality. They did, however, vote to recommend that surveys be used as a tool to demonstrate Title IX compliance.

"The sheer depth and breadth of this nation, the magnitude of what occurs here from sea to shining sea, means simply that one slip, one gap, one vengeful person can threaten the lives of our citizens at any time, in any number of ways," Ridge said. "We will organize to mobilize. It will lead to outcomes that better protect our country.

Under the president's proposal, the Homeland Security Department alone would have a budget of $36.2 billion in the fiscal year that begins in October. That is just short of a 10 percent increase above the combined budgets of all the agencies being rolled into it. A good deal of the new spending is devoted to upgrading Coast Guard ships and aircraft, agents and facilities, Ridge said.

Ridge described plans to combine border security and inspection agencies to streamline the entry process and increase the chance of catching terrorism and weapons at the border. People entering the United States would be fingerprinted, compared with a Homeland Security officer and have a whole-of-government assessment of all matters of customs, immigration and law enforcement.

"Instead of four faces at the border, we'll have one," Ridge said at Miami's seaport. "The focus here is on border enforcement, and people enter our country swiftly, and keep dangerous people and their weapons out.

Ridge later toured the Port of Miami on a U.S. Customs boat, flanked by pistol craft from a half-dozen enforcement agencies. He also met privately with officials at Miami International Airport, where some of the Sept. 11 hijackers entered the United States.

In Washington, the chairman of the Senate Finance Committee called plans to enhance border security a "significant investment." Under the president's proposal, the Homeland Security Department would receive $12 billion in new funds, compared with $4 billion last year. Ridge said the department was "closer than any other department to a solution to the border crisis."
Seize the chance to voice opinions

Perhaps it is because the weather is not favorable to side-walk chalk wars. Perhaps it is because the football season has ended. Whatever the reason, cheers to Air Force BOTT, the College Democrats, the College Republicans, Notre Dame United Muslim Organization, Pax Christi and the Peace Coalition for their collective effort to raise discussion on Monday’s panel about the Iraq situation.

At a time when foreign policy is a crucial topic, the University campus is an essential forum for conversation. It is refreshing to see student-led efforts for dialogue and debate come to fruition. What’s more, the panel, though organized by the Peace Coalition, was comprised of students reflecting numerous sides of the argument.

The ideologically diverse panel represented varying political, religious and social views on the topic of war and international conflict, reminding all that foreign policy issues cannot be simplified. While it is easy for the average college student to obtain a synopsis of the current events, it is far more useful to take it one step further and analyze the complexity of these events in the appropriate setting.

The Observer has said before that the student groups on campus should channel their passions into dialogue. The student panel shows the willingness of some to get involved. The 100 students who trekked through inches of snow Monday evening to Beckers in order to take part in the conversation are an addition to the list. This student-led collaborative effort is yet another positive sign that many are interested in the world beyond 46556.

Upcoming events will give members of the Notre Dame community more opportunities to discuss current events. While the Iraq situation is one pertinent topic, campus discussions can cover many other areas, foreign and domestic. No matter the topic, hopefully students and faculty can make a concerted effort to fill the rooms and foster stimulating discussions.

Alcohol laws save lives

I can understand Juan Bernal’s frustration, expressed in his Jan. 28 letter, with laws prohibiting alcohol to people under 21. They are hypocritical, but they are hardly sterile, worthless or counterproductive. Last year I might have made the same arguments as he made, but I made a little research convinced me otherwise.

The alcohol ban from ages 18 to 21 exists for one reason only: in the ’80s, Mothers Against Drunk Driving had a very simple reason for campaigning for federal legislation establishing the drinking age at 21. Previously, the decision of the drinking age was left to the states and many, though not all, set the age at 18. MADD eventually won their fight, and though the federal government cannot constitutionally mandate a drinking age, it can deny highway funds to states that do not change the age to 21. Within a few years, all states had complied.

MADD had a very simple reason for pushing that legislation — they wanted to save lives. The 16-21 demographic, especially males, are statistically the most dangerous drivers, and though other age groups suffer from a high incidence of drunk driving deaths, such deaths were very prevalent in the 16-21 demographic. This especially offended MADD, who was apparently both more by the deaths of teenagers and young adults than by the deaths of older people.

The laws have worked. Since they took effect, underage drinking has declined, and more importantly, traffic fatalities have declined, especially among people between 16 and 21 years of age. This disproves Bernal’s prohibition analogy and his claims that the laws actually motivate young people to drink more. While there is still much illegal drinking, people in this age bracket were more likely to drink before the hike in legal drinking age than they are now. They were also more likely to die in a traffic accident.

This also explains why the police are so intent on seemingly frivolous enforcement. If they do not enforce the drinking age, the laws will not fulfill their intended purpose — saving lives. This requires that they bust bars and ticket minors, even if those minors might not be driving; they must do so to deter those who would drive. When seen in this light, we can see that the enforcement is not hypocritical or without purpose, and that the police are not necessarily wasting resources.

Before I researched the issue, I thought drinking laws were unjust. Now I am more informed, I see that they are just. This does not make the laws perfect. We might be able to reduce traffic fatalities without treating legal adults like children. For instance, though drunk driving was a big problem for those aged 16-21, it was also a problem for people, especially men, in their 20s and 30s. There is no reason that we should only focus on saving the lives of young people.

Then again, as Bernal pointed out, prohibition did not work and it would do no good to ban alcohol altogether. Perhaps if we allowed everyone aged 18 or maybe even everyone to drink but enforced zero-tolerance driving laws across all ages, we could have the same positive effects from our laws without legal hypocrisy. Maybe this wouldn’t work. I don’t have the policy expertise to speculate and I wouldn’t want to jump to conclusions. But in any event, the laws are there for good reason. It does no good to jump to conclusions and assume that, because we cannot see the reasons, lawmakers don’t know what they’re doing.

Michael Romano
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Jan. 29
Perched atop a national stage at the State of the Union joint session of Congress this week, President George W. Bush delivered a dramatic yet somber message that could be characterized as a tale of two nations.

A Democrat during the first half of the speech, Bush called for more spending on mentoring programs for children of prison parents, AIDS medications for Africa, transitional housing for those recovering from alcohol and drug dependence. Yet he also defended his administration’s record and vowed to push for tax cuts and reduce the federal deficit. After his State of the Union address, the president called for his conservative legacy to be spoken on the floor of the House of Representatives. Each day the media report on what you see is what you get with Bush. He is self-congratulatory, self-righteous, and self-satisfied. He is truly living in his own bubble.

One must wonder why an institution, public or private, would so readily support, financially otherwise, an ideology without giving the other side equal treatment. Of course, it’s rather sad and disturbing that we even have to address this point. After all, we are a “Catholic institution, right? One of the wonderful and blessed advantages of attending a Catholic institution is the encouragement one is given and the ability one has to express one’s theological beliefs and Catholic morals. American society, more often than not, is hardly conducive to Christian morality, abortion being just one of the many horrors permitted. At this point, we render the discussion or debate of orthodox Catholic belief concerning abortion superfluous. Abortion is wrong. Yes, that’s right. It’s that simple.

Furthermore, it’s not wrong because the pope says so. It’s not wrong because your parish priest says so. It’s not even wrong because some ancient personality called Moses said so. It’s not wrong because it has the encouragement of the commandment, “Thou shalt not kill.” Speaking as a Catholic, these may very well be good reasons to consider abortion as morally unacceptable. At this point, it seems natural to offer scientific evidence and philosophical arguments to demonstrate why abortion is, at the very least, problematic. However, this is not the point of our letter.

The point is simply this: Saint Mary’s is a Catholic institution. It only makes sense that any Catholic believes in the dignity of every human being and upholding Catholic values. Yes, that’s right — Catholic values. Just in case any of us are confused as to what the Catholic Church’s position on abortion is, let us turn to the timeless Catholic classic famously referred to as “Humanae Vitae.”

One need not read far to ascertain the stance of the Church’s position: Life is good, life is blessed, murder is wrong. Let us say that again: Catholics believe that life is sacred. As Catholics, we are called to embrace life at all stages. Truly, as Catholics, we are called to be pro-life.

Saint Mary’s support of anti-life and anti-Catholic values is an abomination, both human and Catholic Church. Right to Life hopes that Saint Mary’s seriously considers its role as a Catholic institution.

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The Keenan Revue
Residents expand their humor in the Revue's 27th year onstage

By MARIA SMITH  Scene Editor

When people think college humor, they think of lewd, obnoxious, off-the-wall crotch-thrusting raucous fun. The Keenan Revue offers all of the above, and more besides. The skits, written by Keenan Hall residents, contain comedic insight on national security and religion lodged between parietals jokes and beer bashes.

Over the past 27 years, the Keenan Revue has become an important part of campus tradition. The first show, produced in 1976 by Tom Lenz and Rick Thomas, was meant to be a small, hall talent show but became a hit when the residents actually proved to have both musical and humorous talent. The show has continued to lighten up the winter months ever since.

Although director Rick Herbst and producer Chris Murphy have been working on the show for the past five months, the show as always was barely pulled together in the last week. The skits were chosen and the show assembled over the weekend, with only three days of rehearsal to follow. Herbst made final changes at the Wednesday dress rehearsal.

Over half the residents of Keenan Hall turn out to participate in the show, either writing skits, acting or playing in the show's musical numbers.

"It's a real rallying point for the dorm," said Herbst.

Although the Keenan Revue is the dorm's particular point of pride, the whole campus gets involved in the event. Other hall presidents helped find funding for the show, which relied on ads and donations to raise the $12,000 needed for production. Saint Mary's also got involved in the show's production. In appreciation, the authors toned down the inevitable Saint Mary's jokes in the Revue.

Students come to the Keenan Revue expecting irreverent humor at the expense of students and the administration, and they have never been disappointed. This year is no exception. However, this year's show eliminates many of the campus stereotypes that characterized last year's performance. The fat Breen-Phillips girls, Farley Hall smokers and McGlinn Hall head lice have been replaced by more off-beat humor. The show has something to appeal to every sense of humor.

The theme of this year's Keenan Revue is "Our Nation's Pastime." Although the title actually refers to baseball, the audience might be excused for thinking the national pastime in cross-dressing, a theme which pops up far more often throughout the show. The show opens with a rendition of Weezer's "Buddy Holly" musical numbers and a group striptease.

Many of the skits in the first half prey on popular campus topics, such as "Parietals Bite" and "The Elegant Prospect." The campus has struggled with oppressive parietals and drinking laws since the show began, and the inevitable sex humor appears translated into 17th century English and in a parody of Lisa Loeb's "Stay." The authors put in everything they can get past the show's censors.

The tone changes in the second half with some "Dogma"-esque religious parodies and less Notre Dame centered humor. Skits like "In the year 3000" provide general cultural commentary, while "The Keenan Review News" preys on President George W. Bush, campus squirrels and The Shirt. Skits like "Matlock ... yeah," the brainchild of Murphy and Nic Williams, manage to be inexplicably funny despite an apparent lack of jokes.

The Keenan Revue draws on the comedic talents of all the residents. Performers find a sense of humor they never knew they had. So where do the authors get inspiration for their skits?

"Late night caffeine and sugar highs," said Williams.

Tickets for the show were passed out last week. Those lucky enough to have them are in for a good assortment of songs, antics and jokes. And as the cast points out, if you don't like it, don't complain — the tickets were free.
InFocus Conference

The 2nd Annual Conference aims to promote awareness of Asian Issues

By CHRISTIE BOLSEN
Scene Observer

Here at Notre Dame, a mere 4 percent of undergraduates are Asian or Pacific Islanders. With that in mind, a conference held to address Asian and Asian American issues might appeal to a miniscule fraction of the student body. However, the sponsors of the 2nd Annual InFocus Conference hope to connect with all students who feel that diversity is a concern and priority — a much higher percentage than that 4 percent.

Last year’s InFocus Conference was awarded Outstanding Club Program by the Club Coordination Council for 2001-2002, and this year’s completely student-run program promises to live up to the high standard set by the inaugural year. With a schedule that includes cultural demonstrations, various workshops, high profile speakers and a comedy show, the activities planned should appeal to a wide range of participants.

This year’s theme is “InFocus 2003: Unlocking the Past, Shaping the Future.” The events begin today with a fireside chat in Coleman-Morse with Chandra Johnson entitled “Owning our Cultural Heritage.” All students are welcome to come speak with Johnson, who is assistant to the president and assistant director of Cross-Cultural Ministry. Following the chat will be karaoke and movies.

The conference begins in earnest on Saturday with registration and breakfast. The opening ceremony speaker is Dr. Evelyn Hu-DeHart, who will also be speaking in one of the morning workshops. Denise de la Rosa, a junior and the executive chair of the conference, has heard Hu-DeHart speak and hopes many will be able to attend her speech.

“She’s a very powerful speaker, very spirited — there’s something about when she speaks that makes me want to go out and educate and to spread the awareness, not just for Asians or Asian-American ideals but just for [anyone] learning about something other than what you’ve learned for 18 years,” De la Rosa said.

Another notable speaker will be Washington State Senator Paul Shin, who will lead an afternoon workshop called “Asian-American Political Activism” and will be the keynote speaker for the closing ceremony and banquet. Shin, who has also served as a member of the Washington State House of Representatives, is one of a very small number of Asian-American politicians in the American government, at either the local or national level.

“I think it’s one [workshop] that’s got everybody really excited again, he’s a very spirited person and he likes to see Asian-Americans getting involved, being more outgoing, being more outspoken than what we have been stereotyped to be in the past,” De la Rosa said. She hopes that his workshop will encourage not only Asians and minorities but also all people to participate in government.

The conference also highlights other political and cultural issues, such as foreign affairs and inter-racial dating. Included among such workshops are Fun Workshops; these include Asian desserts, dances and Japanese origami.

It is the collaboration of multiple groups that is responsible for the planning of details and variety of activities. The Coalition for Asian Awareness is presenting the conference with other sponsors that include the Student Government-Diversity Committee, the Center for Social Concerns, Campus Ministry and East Asian Languages and Literatures. The Multicultural Student Programs and Services are also sponsoring the Annual Multicultural Comedy Show that will conclude the conference.

The planning process began during spring semester of last year, and started up again in September of fall semester. While Notre Dame is behind the development and execution of the conference, other schools were invited, including Michigan State, University of Michigan, Northwestern, Loyola, Valparaiso, Purdue, Indiana University and Saint Mary’s.

Denise de la Rosa, a senior and the executive chair for public relations, wants the main focus of the conference to be heightening awareness about diversity. “Obviously, that’s not just applicable to Asian Americans. It’s really important, especially on a campus like Notre Dame, to be able to embrace everybody’s differences. It’s so important not only to share your culture with other people but to be really proud of it,” Adrienne de la Rosa said.

The executive committee behind the conference emphasizes that anyone who is passionate about diversity is welcome to attend. “That works on all levels, whether it be sexual orientation, race, ethnicity; there are so many factors of diversity. Conferences like this stir discussion and dialogue and that’s the most important part about trying to make a change,” Adrienne de la Rosa added.

Denise de la Rosa echoed her sister’s sentiments, and said that the conference should get out an awareness that Notre Dame is striving for diversity. “Diversity is meant for everybody, and especially on a predominantly white campus it’s important to know reasons why friends act a certain way, or stereotypes that are seen in the media — those are things that we need to be aware of.” Denise de la Rosa said.

“If anything, I would just invite everyone to come with an open mind, to come with a curiosity and a respect for learning something that at least on this campus is not exactly the easiest to get out of a classroom.”

Registration forms for InFocus 2003 are available online at the InFocus Web site, www.nd.edu/~aaa/AAC, or participants can register at the door. Cost is $5.00, and the conference runs from Thursday to Saturday. Check the Web site for a schedule of activities.

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**Buccaneers hang on to Kiffin with 3-year deal**

Associated Press

TAMPA, Fla. - The Super Bowl champion Tampa Bay Buccaneers demonstrated their commitment to keep Monte Kiffin from moving to the San Francisco 49ers or anywhere else, signing their defensive coordinator to a new three-year contract Thursday night.

Terms were not disclosed, but Kiffin already was among the NFL's highest-paid defensive coordinators at close to $1 million per year.

"We are committed to winning another championship, and Monte has been a huge part of our success," Bucs owner Malcolm Glazer said. "Our defense has ranked among the best in the NFL for several years under his direction and we look forward to continuing that tradition."

The Bucs ranked first in total defense, allowing 252.8 yards per game, and became the first team since the 1985 Chicago Bears to lead the league in total defense, fewest points allowed and interceptions.

"We are committed to winning another championship, and Monte has been a huge part of our success," Bucs owner Malcolm Glazer said.

"Defensively, this was our best year and we capped it off with our success against the Raiders. ... We feel like we can continue to get better next year and hope to bring another championship back to the city of Tampa." - Kiffin

Kiffin's defenses have ranked in the top 10 for six consecutive seasons. During that span, the Bucs have allowed a league-low 1,538 points, including just 196 this season, the fifth-fewest in NFL history during a 16-game schedule.

"It is great news to hear that coach Kiffin is staying," NFL defensive player of the year Derrick Brooks said in Honolulu, where he is preparing for the Pro Bowl. "It is important to keep the coaching staff together and have that continuity." - NFL

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Jordan declines All-Star start offers

Associated Press

MELBOURNE

Michael Jordan said thanks, but no thanks. Jordan turned down offers from Tracy McGrady and Allen Iverson to relinquish their starting spots in the All-Star Game so that Jordan could be in the starting lineup.

McGrady, the Orlando guard who led the Eastern Conference in fan balloting, made his offer Thursday. Iverson made a similar offer in a private phone call a week and a half ago, Jordan revealed before Thursday night's game against the Bucks and Washington Wizards.

"He showed what type of people they are, about the history of the game, about guys who have paved the way," Jordan said. "I would have done it for Dr. J. and I'm sure Dr. J. would have done it for someone else.

"That, to me, just shows how much they care about the game. I take it as a compliment, but I would rather for them to play and start and let me come off the bench."

Jordan said Iverson called him after the starting lineups were announced.

"He said, 'If you don't mind, I'd like to step aside and let you start.'" Jordan recounted. "No one knew about it. He called me personally and I didn't make it known."

But Jordan said he's not bothered by not starting in his previous 13 All-Star selections, the fans voted him in.

"I have no ill feelings," Jordan said. "I am very happy for them. If I hadn't done it for 14 years, OK, it's a different scenario. I experienced it for many years and I think something they should feel proud about."

The 39-year-old Jordan almost certainly will retire after this season. "I've got plenty more chances of being an All-Star starter," said McGrady, making his third All-Star game appearance. "It's about me being there and witnessing his last All-Star Game. It's a blessing. Man, it's an honor, too."

The game will be played Friday Feb. 9 in Atlanta.

Jordan has averaged 20.2 points in 12 All-Star appearances, missing the 1986 contest because of injury, and was named the game's Most Valuable Player in 1988, 1996 and 1998.

IN BRIEF

Mighty Ducks acquire defenseman Ozolinsh

 Attempting to end a three-year postseason drought, the Anaheim Mighty Ducks acquired All-Star defenseman Sandis Ozolinsh and left wing/defenseman Lance Ward from Colorado for a fourth-round pick in next year's NHL entry draft.

Entering Thursday night's game at San Jose, the Ducks had 53 points and trailed Colorado by one point for the eighth and final Western Conference playoff berth. Florida entered its game at Detroit with 47 points to rank 12th in the Eastern Conference.

The 30-year-old Ozolinsh has seven goals and 19 assists in 51 games this season. He was voted into the starting lineup for the Eastern Conference in Sunday's All-Star Game, to be played in Florida. It will mark his fourth straight All-Star appearance and seventh overall — six of them starts.

Ozolinsh played in 83 games last season for Carolina and Florida with 14 goals and 38 assists, ranking him 50th among NHL defensemen.

A 6-foot-3, 215-pounder, Ozolinsh represented Latvia in the 2002 Winter Olympics at Salt Lake City. He has played in 712 regular-season games with 140 goals and 343 assists.

LeBron reportedly accepts free clothing

First it was LeBron James' Hummer. Now, it's his clothes.

Just a few days after James was cleared of any wrongdoing for accepting a sports utility vehicle as a gift, Ohio high school officials are reviewing a report he received complimentary clothing.

Last Saturday, James, the nation's top high school player, was apparently given two free "throwback" jerseys worth $845 at a local clothing store.

Ohio High School Athletic Association bylaws state that an athlete forfeits his or her amateur status by "capitalizing on athletic fame by receiving money or gifts of monetary value."

OHSA commissioner Clair Mascaro is aware of the report "and is reviewing it," said spokesman Bob Golding.

Mascaro ruled that James, a senior at St. Vincent-St. Mary, would not lose his eligibility for accepting a custom-made Hammer H2 vehicle.

After attending a local high school game last weekend, James and some friends visited the clothing store "Next" where he picked out two jerseys — one of Chicago Bears Hall of Fame Gale Sayers, the other of Washington Bullets center Wes Unseld.

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LeBron's jersey costs $395; the Unseld jersey, $450. Store manager Derrick Craig said the store's owner gave the jerseys to James for free.

"We get celebrities in here all the time," said Craig, who would not identify the owner. "They spend a lot of money and sometimes you just get to give them some love."
Men continued

the physical Hoyas forward is 6-foot-8, Brey thinks the Irish could match up well against them by throwing Notre Dame’s taller big men against Sweetney. “We’re not going to stop him,” Brey said. “But I think we’re going to try to slow him a little bit and hope other guys don’t hurt us. ... He’s a heck of a player, and just a difficult guy to defend in our league.”

The Notre Dame-Georgetown series is fast shaping up into a terrific Big East rivalry. The last time the two teams met, it was on the floor of the MCI Center, where the Irish tanked out a quadruple-overtime win, a win that many thought defined Notre Dame as a solid basketball program.

But even if the Hoyas come into the Joyce Center remembering that game, the Irish have revenge on their mind. A year ago, the Hoyas dominated the Irish at home, led by Sweetney’s 21 points and 16 rebounds.

Since that game and Saturday’s clash, however, the Irish have only lost one game since. Fueled by an energetic student section, the Irish are riding a 13-game home winning streak, one they hope to extend past Saturday.

“We’ve put a lot of pride in our home games this year,” Carroll said. “We think we’re capable of doing that, but it’s going to be hard with the stretch we have coming up here. I think we have a great home court advantage with our defense.”

Irish forward Dan Miller brings the ball up Wednesday in Notre Dame’s 88-69 victory over West Virginia.

By ANDREW SOUKUP
Sports Writer

Georgetown didn’t need any extra motivation to play a top-10 team on the road, but they got it thanks to a blown call at the end of regulation in Wednesday’s 93-82 overtime loss to Seton Hall.

With the score tied and 10 seconds showing on the clock, the Pirates took a 74-72 lead on an alley-oop dunk off an inbounds pass.

The catch? The Pirates had six players on the floor during the key inbounds play, something Georgetown coach Craig Esherick didn’t notice until after he spoke with the media.

In fact, Seton Hall still had six players on the floor when Hoya guard Gerald Riley drove the length of the floor to score a lay-up and send the game into overtime.

But even though Esherick didn’t notice the officials’ gaffe, that didn’t stop him from lighting up his players for a perceived lack of effort.

“We’ve got to figure out who we have on our team that wants to win,” he said. “Those people that want to win, and work to win, are going to play. Those who want to make excuses and don’t want to win aren’t going to play.”

Miller time

It took a while for the stats to show it, but Dan Miller is slowly getting accustomed to life in the physical Big East.

“I think I’ve been fine,” he said. “The numbers I put up didn’t justify it, but that happens where shots don’t fall and you don’t feel comfortable.

“But I’m feeling fine with Big East play.”

Miller started the Big East season struggling somewhat. In his first three conference games, the fifth-year senior only averaged seven points a game, the fifth-year senior only averaged seven points a game, the fifth-year senior only averaged seven points a game, the fifth-year senior only averaged seven points a game, the fifth-year senior only averaged seven points a game, the fifth-year senior only averaged seven points a game,

But since Notre Dame’s loss to Kentucky, Miller has averaged 13 points a game. Though his defense never suffered, Notre Dame coach Mike Brey said it’s good to see the senior back in an offensive rhythm.

“Sometimes with a one-year transfer, you want to get it all in one game,” Brey said. “It’s back kind of in a groove offensively for us, and we need him to be a threat out there.”

Physical play

The wear and tear of playing in such a physical league is starting to show on Notre Dame’s seniors.

Against Boston College on Saturday, Matt Carroll crashed hard to the ground, a fall that knocked him out temporarily. Then against West Virginia on Wednesday, Dan Miller dove for a loose ball and came up with a bleeding chin, a wound that required stitches to close.

But nicks and bumps aren’t slowing the Irish duo.

“I don’t think I’ve played a game where I haven’t bled at least once,” Carroll said. “Pretty soon, I might be wearing six wristbands to stop all the bleeding.”

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Hoyas have reason to be wary of 6th man

The Irish are also pleased with how Timmermans, Garriott and Francis responded to a slow start by Notre Dame’s perimeter against the Mountaineers, a trend they hope continues throughout the rest of the season.

“That’s what makes this team so tough, that’s what I’m most proud of,” Carroll said. “Guys like that come in there and bring so much to the table. When Chris [Thomas] and I are going, they know they role and do their thing. But when we’re not going, they step it up.

Each game is different, and you never know who it’s going to be. But that’s what makes this team so good.”

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Irish forward Dan Miller brings the ball up Wednesday in Notre Dame’s 88-69 victory over West Virginia.

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SMC BASKETBALL

Struggling Belles look for 2nd win from Comets

By HEATHER VAN HOEGARDEN
Sports Writer

Saint Mary's has been ready for this game for a long time. But, they are not just ready to play, they are ready to win too, when hosting Olivet Saturday. The Belles have struggled of late, losing their last six contests. Saint Mary's last win came on Jan. 8, ironically against the Lady Comets of Olivet. Saturday's game is the perfect time for the Belles to turn things around. Leading the way will be sophomore forward Emily Creachbaum, who averages 13.8 points and 6.6 rebounds. She has been one of the bright spots for the Belles, and looks to again lead the team to victory on Saturday.

"It would be good to get a win. We need to win to set the tone for the second half of our conference season." Emily Creachbaum
Saint Mary's forward

With the first half of the conference race over, the Belles (5-13, 1-6 in the MIAA) find themselves tied with Olivet (6-12, 1-6) for last place in the MIAA. Saint Mary's and Olivet seem to match up well, as both teams shoot about 38 percent from the field. In their last meeting, Saint Mary's defeated Olivet 64-53 at Olivet. Other positives for Saint Mary's have been found in its freshmen. Guard Bridget Boyce (7.6 points per game) and forward Anne Hogan (7.3 points, 4.9 rebounds) have led the way. However, the Belles still search for another consistent force besides Creachbaum.

"Other players need to step up and realize their role," Creachbaum said. "Even though different people step up in different games, we need to be more consistent so that in each game at least one person steps up."

In Wednesday's 68-54 loss to Alma, the Belles hung tough and were put away by a late second half run by the Scots. "We played well on Wednesday; it was a positive for us," Creachbaum said. "We didn't win because we had a few letdowns, and were never able to capitalize."

However, in order to come away with a victory against the Lady Comets, the Belles much contain their leading scorer, Louisa Grill (15.5 points, 9.4 rebounds per game).

The Belles and Lady Comets tip off at 3 p.m. on Saturday at the Angela Athletic Facility.

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Battle of hot-shot scorers in weekend series

By JUSTIN SCHUVER
Sports Writer

Two of the CCHA's leading goal scorers will clash this weekend as Notre Dame tries to get back on the winning track against Ohio State in a two-game home series. The Buckeyes (17-6-2, 11-4-1 in the CCHA) are led by junior center R.J. Umberger, who is tied with Irish right wing Rob Globke for second with 18 goals in the CCHA goal-scoring race. Scoring goals has been Notre Dame's Achilles' heel during its current seven game winless streak. Even after a 3-3 tie with Michigan State last Saturday, the Irish have averaged fewer than two goals per game in their last four contests.

That's not good news for a team preparing to face the Buckeyes, who have given up a little more than two goals a game on average for the entire season. Junior goaltender Mike Betz has been outstanding in goal for the Buckeyes, leading the CCHA with a 1.90 goals-against average in 12 conference games, while being helped by a defense that only allows 24.1 shots per game.

"Once again, as is the case with so many good teams, (Ohio State's) strength is their defense," Irish coach Dave Poulin said. "They have a lot of high-profile forwards, but they don't give up many goals." The Buckeyes are especially deep at the center position. Umberger, who leads the team in scoring, was a first round selection of the Vancouver Canucks in the 2001 NHL entry draft. In that same draft, the Los Angeles Kings selected junior center Dave Steckel. In addition, freshman center Ryan Kesler is predicted by many publications to be a high draft pick this year.

"That's amazing," Poulin said. "There are NHL teams that don't have three first-round draft picks at center.

The Irish (9-12-5, 7-9-2 CCHA) have been snakebit by the Buckeyes in their last 10 meetings, with Ohio State holding a 7-1-2 series lead in that span. Last year, Notre Dame played the Buckeyes in Columbus, Ohio and came away with a 4-4 tie and 3-2 loss. "If you look at the individual games in that 10-game span, all of them have been close," Poulin said. "We haven't been able to take advantage of our opportunities, against OSU more so than perhaps any other team." Despite the discrepancy of the teams' overall records, the Irish have played better in recent games.

Ohio State had its 10-game unbeaten streak snapped last weekend as the Buckeyes dropped 4-0 and 3-1 decisions to Nebraska-Omaha in Omaha, Neb. Coming into this weekend, Ohio State has lost four straight conference games on the road. The Irish managed to pick up a point in last weekend's games against Michigan State, losing to the Spartans 3-1 on Friday and tying 3-3 on Saturday. Notre Dame played well in both games, but was stymied by the goaltending of Matt Migliaccio, who made a combined 80 saves in the two contests and was especially large on Friday, making 40 saves off 41 shots.

"We played very well last weekend," Poulin said. "But we have to win. It's not enough to just play well. With a good performance against the Buckeyes, the Irish will be able to climb from their ninth-place standing in the CCHA and make a run toward gaining home ice advantage for the first round of the playoffs, which is given to the top six conference finishers.

"Home ice is very advanta-
geous," Poulin said. "The thing about this league is that one weekend [can get you home ice]."

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Irish hope for swift results

By KATIE McVoy
Associate Sports Editor

After a 76-48 loss to Boston College Wednesday night, Notre Dame coach Muffet McGraw said her team needed to learn from the game and move forward.

Notre Dame gets a chance to do just that when West Virginia visits the Joyce Center Saturday.

"At this point in the season we can't linger too long on a loss," McGraw said. "We have to turn around and get ready for our next opponent."

When the Irish take on the Mountaineers, spectators will see a battle between two teams who don't have much to lose, but have a lot to win. Both teams are coming off difficult losses and are looking to regain some respect and some momentum.

"We just have to go home and do better," sophomore Jacqueline Batteast said. And the Irish are looking to do just that.

Irish guard Megan Duffy looks to pass the ball in a game earlier this year. The Irish return from a tough 76-48 loss to Boston College Wednesday to host West Virginia Saturday.

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Fencing

are in a transition phase," Bednarski said. "We lost only one match on the women's side at OSU. [Ohio State] has always been strong on the women's side. We were happy to stay close."

With women's sabre captain Desstanie Milo not fencing last weekend due to an illness, Bednarski was forced to go deep down the roster and put some inexperienced fencers on the strip.

"The walk-ons made a good impression. They lost only to Ohio State, and in the other matches we were happy to stay close," he said.

"We cannot put someone who has been fencing for 5 or 6 years," the combination of Maggie Jordan, Danielle Davis, Tiffany Muller and Natalie Tenner went 46-14 in the six matches last weekend with eight of those losses coming against the Buckeyes. Jordan has fenced at sabre and foil in her first two years while Davis was 7-7 entering the weekend and Muller and Tenner had no prior collegiate experience.

"With Milo still questionable this weekend and Natalia Mazur more than likely missing the season while still recovering from a health problem that forced her to miss the 2002 season, Bednarski will be forced to continue to rely on his bench."

"Ohio State men's sabre team is almost like the national team. Notre Dame will fence Penn State at 11 a.m. Saturday. The Irish will also fence UC-San Diego, Air Force, Detroit, Northwestern, Cal-State Fullerton, Wayne State and Lawrence."

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ND WOMEN'S TENNIS

Irish clawed to pieces by Wildcats

By JOE LINDSLEY
Sports Writer

Notre Dame expected a battle heading into Thursday's match at Northwestern. Turned out it was more of a massacre than a battle.

The No. 21 Irish failed to win a single set against the No. 16 Wildcats, 7-0. The young Irish team faced a squad that featured four players ranked in the top 80 nationally. Notre Dame's highest ranked player is No. 124 Alicia Salas. The junior lost 6-1, 6-2 to No. 16 Cristelle Grier, a freshman.

Northwestern improved to 3-2, while the Irish posted their first loss after beginning the season with two victories.

The match began with Northwestern's dominance in the doubles portion of the day's play. Ruth Barnes and Andrea Yung won their first match with their 8-4 victory over the Irish duo of freshmen Lauren Connelly and Salas. Then Grier and counterpart Jessica Rush clinched the doubles point as they triumphed over Irish senior Katie Cumha and freshman Kristina Staton, 8-6.

The dominance continued with each of the Wildcats, playing without No. 15 Marine Piriou, achieving singles victories in straight sets. Junior Caylan Leslie lost to No. 63 Barth, 6-3, 6-4. No. 76 Jamie Peisel clinched the victory for the Wildcats with her 6-2, 6-3 win over Lauren Connelly.

Lauren Connelly's older sister, Sarah Jane, a sophomore, could not prevail against Barnes, who won 6-4, 6-1. Staton and Jennifer Smith, playing at the No. 3 and 6 flights respectively also could not achieve victory. Yung dominated Staton, 6-1, 6-2 and Smith fell to Stacy Koks, 6-4, 6-4.

Salas' defeat was only the fourth loss of her career in dual-match singles play. Salas has achieved 29 dual-match singles wins throughout her Irish career.

More stiff competition, and hopefully a battle, is looming for Notre Dame Saturday, No. 5 North Carolina will visit the Eck Tennis Pavilion.

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ND HOCKEY PU CKS TO THE FIRST 500 FANS ON SATURDAY!

"Chuck A Puck" promotion on Friday!
Irish point guard Chris Thomas squares up on defense in a game earlier this year against Rutgers. No. 11 Notre Dame hosts Georgetown Saturday.

**FENCING**

No. 1 Lions provide test at home for Irish

By MATT LOZAR

It’s important, but the Irish are keeping things in perspective.

No. 1 Penn State visits No. 2 Notre Dame for a showdown at this weekend’s Notre Dame duals. The match will be a preview for when it really counts at the NCAA Championships in less than two months.

“It is always prestigious to have top colleges meet each other but it’s a dual meet on the way to the finals,” Notre Dame coach Janusz Bednarski said. “We will fence against them in the NCAA Finals. The teams are checking each other out.”

At last year’s NCAA Championships, Notre Dame punched Penn State for the first time that season. The Nittany Lions were able to overcome the three-point lead the women’s team gave the Irish with a 4-8 record against Notre Dame’s men’s team.

In the women’s epee competition, junior Kerry Walton defeated Penn State’s Stephanie Elm 15-12 to win the national championships. From last year’s national championship team, Penn State returns nine of its 12 participants. Last weekend at the Ohio State Duals, the men’s team went 6-0 to extend its dual-match winning streak to 65 matches while the women’s team went 5-1. Going into the first team event of the season, Bednarski didn’t know what to expect but he came away pleased.

“I think we had a good match and I was especially impressed with the walk-ons who are winning bouts. We don’t have the strongest team this year as last year due to graduation and we have a good kid everywhere,” Bednarski said.

**ND WOMENS SWIMMING**

Top 25 teams clash at Rolfs

By PAT LEONARD

According to the newest national dual meet rankings, this weekend’s meet between No. 11 Notre Dame and Michigan should be a good one. When the No. 18 Irish square off against the No. 19 Wolverines Saturday at Rolfs Aquatic Center in the final dual meet of the season, it will be a close meet against a formidable opponent from a formidable conference.

“It’ll be a real challenge to beat Michigan,” Irish head coach Bailey Weathers said. “I think the Wolverines are strong in certain events, Michigan has talent spread across the roster.”

“We have to win our share of events to have a chance to win the meet through our depth.”

“We’re all excited.”

Michigan head coach Marc Longo said. “It’s going to be a battle. It’s going to be a war. It always is.”

**ND MENS BBALL**

West Virginia at Notre Dame

Saturday, 5 p.m.

The Irish look to get back on the winning track against the Mountaineers.

**SMC BASKETBALL**

Olivet at Saint Mary’s

Saturday, 3 p.m.

The Wildcats look to break a six-game losing streak against the Comets.

**HOCKEY**

Ohio State at Notre Dame

Friday, 7 p.m.

The Irish look to get back to winning as they host No. 6 Ohio State.

**TRACK**

Michigan State at Notre Dame

Friday, 7 p.m.

The Irish look to host their first three matches, the Irish look to grab a win.