Students participate in anti-war protests

By MAUREEN REYNOLDS
News Writer

Despite the cold temperatures and strong winds, Notre Dame students joined an estimated 400 people, who gathered at St. Paul Bethel Missionary Baptist Church in South Bend on Saturday to take to the streets and protest a possible war against Iraq.

Carrying signs with slogans such as "War is Terrorism," they filed into the church to hear keynote speaker Rev. C.T. Vivian, a veteran of the Civil Rights Movement and colleague of Martin Luther King, Jr.

After Vivian's speech, the protesters gathered in the street, singing "We Shall Overcome." Among the marchers were Brenna Cussen and Mica Barreto, graduate students in Notre Dame's Kroc Institute for Peace Studies. Both attended the march to show support for a peaceful resolution to the conflict.

"I want to witness for peace ... I don't want war in

Students march in anti-war demonstration

By CLAIRE KELLEY
PHOTO BY

Several hundred thousand people, including 38 Notre Dame students, demonstrated in the streets of New York City Saturday to protest war in Iraq.

Peter Quantrao, the organizer of the mostly freshman contingent, said he estimated between 300,000 and 400,000 people, who gathered at First Avenue beginning at the United Nations headquarters, and spilling into cross streets.

"From where we were standing, we really couldn't see where the people started in front of us and where they ended behind us," said Quantrao, a freshman.

Alice Pennington, also a freshman, said the protest, "The World Says No to War," was chaotic in the sense that there were so many people with strong passions united together to protest the impending war.

The protest coincided with approximately 500 other anti-war rallies that took place around the world over the weekend, Quantrao said.

The protest, organized by United for Peace and Justice, brought together diverse people from across the country and included school teachers, union members, Catholics and anarchists.

"People in general were coming together not so much caring about whom one another were but caring for what they did collectively as a whole," he said.

Desmond Tutu, archbishop of South Africa and social activist, joined about 35 actors, poets and singers who spoke at the rally, including Susan Light of Mine."
I have insomnia. For the past month I have not been able to sleep to save my life. I toss and turn for hours and when all is said and done, I lay staring at my alarm clock as it passes from 4 a.m. to 5 a.m. to 6 a.m.

I'm not exactly sure what keeps me up, but I'm pretty sure it's the thought of graduation, and the question of 'what the heck am I going to do with my life' that keeps me awake. I graduate in less than three months, and after that it's the question of graduation, and my lack in direction. Nobody really has life after graduation and my lack of corporate life is all that intriguing at this point in my life. I'm pretty much in the thought of 'what the heck am I going to do?'

A few days later and a couple chapters into the book, I have to admit this was the coolest gift I could have ever gotten, and I thank Oprah for recommending it to my mother. I have no desire to go out and become a monk or the president of the kidney foundation, but the stories in the book have eased my worries about life after graduation and my lack in sense of direction. Nobody really has it all figured out.

I'm not sure how many of you are in my shoes right now, but they are pretty uncomfortable sometimes and it's hard to run. As Po Bronz would say, "destiny is not handed to us on a sheet of paper when we are eighteen to keep in our pockets as a reminder just incase we forget." It's something we have to go through all along the way; one mistake after another. So I think it's okay to go to Colorado this summer and see if there is anything out there for me. Who knows, maybe the while I'm there I can get some sleep.

The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer. Contact Christina Reitano at ret95267@SaintMarys.edu.
Boston College close to approving gay-straight group

By JESSICA DALSING
News Writer

Recent reports have acknowledged that Boston College is close to approving a student-run organization for both homosexual and straight students. However, the administration has yet to grant official approval to the proposed alliance, though there have been strides made at Boston College to recognize a gay-straight student group.

A recent article in the Boston Globe said, "Boston College will grant official recognition to a proposed gay-straight student alliance." Yet, this statement may have been premature.

A constitution for the group has been proposed and both the student newspaper and government have rallied to support the student group, but the administration is not completely behind the initiative.

The College spokesperson told The Heights, the Boston College student paper that the "proposal contains a framework for eventual agreement on establishing a student organization at Boston College to respond to issues concerning sexual orientation."

This sudden push is partly due to a Princeton Review article titled, "Alternative lifestyles not an alternative," that placed Boston College in second place out of 345 colleges nationwide as unwelcoming to alternative lifestyles. The Notre Dame was ranked fifth out of 345 colleges in the same category.

Sister Mary Gude, chair of the Standing Committee on Gay and Lesbian Student Needs at Notre Dame, said of the ranking, "Notre Dame has been a leader within the Catholic context due to the model of the Standing Committee."

Jason Klocek, member of the Standing Committee on Gay and Lesbian Student Needs, criticized the way resources are downplayed on campus. "Notre Dame's resources are spread out, which makes it difficult for many students to see the diverse network of resources provided by the University," she said.

The Standing Committee on Gay and Lesbian Student Needs started in the fall of 1997. The committee of both students and members of the administration promotes programs to increase awareness and meet the needs of the homosexual student on campus. Yet the focus of the committee has been evolving with the climate of the campus.

Klocek stated that the committee is moving from an agenda of "educating the heterosexual community to more direct support for the homosexual student on campus."

This apparent change in campus climate does not look as if it will end in the approval of a Notre Dame gay-straight alliance though. Gude, also vice president of Student Affairs, said, "The University's position is that being such a complex issue that it is best handled as it is now."

Yet, OutreachND, the unofficial homosexual student group on campus, continues to hold out hope. The example of GALA-NDSMC, the gay and lesbian alumni group founded in 1993, has been an influential support to the students. GALA-NDSMC continues its mission of educating the Notre Dame community about sexual orientation issues independent of any support from the University.

OutreachND continues to act independently of the University. The group is responsible for the Campus Ministry's Solidarity Sunday, a day of prayer and hope. The members of the group gather on a regular basis for recreational activities and solidarity dinners at the dining hall.

The future for a homosexual student at Notre Dame will leaves much to be desired, but progress is being made. Klocek sets up the dynamic of campus life as follows, "A particular student may be comfortable with his roommate being gay, but how that student might react to his roommate introducing his boyfriend is another question."

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Sarandon, Martin Luther King III and Danny Glover, said Quaranto. Tutu spoke about how a war with Iraq does not meet conditions of the just war theory and Catholicism, along with all people, have an obligation to oppose the war because it is an attack on humanity, Quaranto said.

"Peace! Peace! Peace!" Tutu said, according to a report in The New York Times. "Let America listen to the rest of the world — and the rest of the world is saying, 'Give the inspectors time.'" Tutu continued.

Quaranto said he organized the Notre Dame contingent because he thought students should become involved and take a stand as part of their Catholic social teaching and join Pope John Paul II and bishops who oppose a war in Iraq. Pennington said she traveled to New York because U.S. intervention in Iraq became an important issue to her after attending lectures and talking to other students on campus.

"I decided to take action to tell others that I am opposed to this war and that I don’t support any action against Iraq," she said.

Though no one from Notre Dame was arrested Saturday, The Times reported the New York Police Department arrested 295 people. Quaranto said a majority of officers wore riot gear and police barricades surrounded the rally, although those measures did not stop many from pushing the rally further into Manhattan.

"The whole rally took the city by storm," said Quaranto. "It really shut down civil life in Manhattan.

Quaranto said the majority of the acts of civil disobedience occurred following the four-hour rally. The city did not grant the rally’s organizers a permit to march; however, protesters with posters marched in the street, stopping traffic, and danced and chanted on the sidewalks, said members of the Notre Dame contingent.

Quaranto said the protesters demonstrated to catch the attention of police and moved on to another location when police told them to disperse.

Police arrested several protesters at a riot in Times Square, according to The Times.

Quaranto said he and other student will attend peace conferences in Chicago and at North Carolina State University in the coming weeks and hopes a rally will occur at Notre Dame to show opposition to the U.S.-Iraq conflict.

"I feel there is a stigma that people here are not interested in the war — but as a Catholic institution we should protest," Quaranto said.

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Honoring Women of Notre Dame

The Women's Resource Center is currently accepting nomination forms for women faculty and staff members in the Notre Dame community who give so much to the University and who ceaselessly improve the community through their dedicated efforts.

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Nominations can be sent to the Women's Resource Center at week@nd.edu or to the office located at 300 LaFortune via campus mail.

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Thousands across nation flock to peace rallies

Associated Press

NEW YORK

Thousands of anti-war demonstrators packed more than 20 blocks near the United Nations headquarters Saturday, the largest of an estimated 150 protests worldwide, the group that filled city streets with banners, chanting and people from all walks of life.

"Just because you have the biggest guns doesn't mean you must use it," Martin Luther King III told demonstrators in New York as he stood before an enormous banner reading: "The World Says No To War."

Protests were held across the nation, from Maine to Hawaii, and from Texas to Minnesota.

And around the world — including many in the capitals of America's traditional allies — similar rallies drew well over a million people in protest of possible U.S. military action against Iraq.

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TURKEY

NATO delays vote on allowing US troops to use bases

Associated Press

ANKARA

The foreign minister said Sunday that a vote on allowing U.S. combat troops to use bases in Turkey for possible attacks on Iraq could be delayed after the NATO allies failed to agree on the size of an aid package.

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WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Iraq mourns civilian victims of Gulf War

At the rules of a bomb shelter struck by American missiles, Iraqi officials Sunday mourned the civilian victims of their last war with the United States and from Texas to Minnesota.

"There are difficulties concern­ing the timing," Yasser Yakis, the foreign minis­ter, told reporters at Ankara airport after returning from Washington. "We have explained that we may not be able to bring the issue to parliament in a short period of time."

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NATIONAL NEWS BRIEFS

Ex-NATO commander may challenge Bush

Retired Gen. Wesley Clark said Sunday he's think­ing about challenging President Bush in 2004 because he's concerned about the direction the administra­tion is taking on international affairs.

Clark, an Arkansas businessman, said that for him the question about running for president "is about ideas, it's not about candidates." It was his first public acknowledgment that he's considering a run.

Military to review sexual assault cases

The military has ordered a review of how the Air Force Academy handles sexual assault allegations after five female cadets said they were reprimanded for reporting they were raped by classmates. On Friday, the office of Air Force Secretary James Roche announced that a special review panel had been formed to review sexual assault policies in the military branch, "with a particular emphasis on the Air Force Academy."

Anthrax scare closes N.J. post office

Authorities in New Jersey, where at least five anthrax-laden letters were mailed in 2001, cloned the office after brown powder fell from a package containing a threatening letter. An initial test was negative for anthrax, but a secondary test was inconclusive. One employee came in contact with the powder but didn't appear to have symp­toms.
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**In Brief**

**Markets break string of losing weeks**

After being pummeled for weeks by uncertainty over Iraq, Wall Street rallied as the U.N. Security Council at least seemed to show the march to war. The Dow Jones Industrials soared more than 150 points Friday, their biggest one-day gain in a month, and the market claimed its first winning week in five weeks. The surge came after the Security Council called around calls for more weapons inspections, despite Secretary of State Colin Powell's warning it's too late.

Chavez calls for fixed interest rates

President Hugo Chavez said Sunday interest rates should be fixed to reverse Venezuela's deteriorating economic situation, just days after he imposed exchange controls and price controls for the same reason. "I want interest rates to be lowered," Chavez said. "I want the interest rates to be fixed ... and I call on the Central Bank of Venezuela to fix them." Chavez suggested a maximum rate of 30 percent for commercial banks' lending rates, compared with well over 40 percent at present. This would give small companies and farmers better access to credit, he said. The central bank's current lending rate is 37 percent.

Salon Media Group cannot pay rent

Online magazine publisher Salon Media Group Inc. on Friday warned that it may not survive beyond this month if it can't raise more money to pay its rent and other bills. The San Francisco-based company painted a grim picture in a quarterly report filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission. Things are so bad, Salon said, it stopped paying rent for its headquarters in December, prompting the landlord to issue a Jan. 29 demand for a $200,000 payment. To raise money, the company said it may sell its rights to $5.6 million worth of advertising on a Cablevision Systems Corp. subsidiary for as little as $1 million.

**Federal Reserve chairman Alan Greenspan has jeopardized his position with Republicans by making unfavorable remarks about President Bush's tax plan.**

Associated Press

WASHINGTON

Greenspan's latest comments certainly differed from his remarks about Bush's first tax cut, a $1.35 trillion, 10-year reduction that Congress passed in 2001. Greenspan came out in favor of a big tax cut that year and gave a major push to the new president. Greenspan reasoned that the 10-year projected surplus of $5.6 trillion gave Congress plenty of room to cut taxes and still accomplish his preferred goal: to reduce the national debt. The surplus turned out to be illusory, however, eaten up by a recession, the fight against terrorism and the tax cut. What was surprising about Greenspan's comments was that once the uncertainty over Iraq passes, economic growth should accelerate without the need for additional tax cuts. For good measure, he directed sharply the administration's "deficits don't matter" school of thought and the contention that economic growth alone can take care of the economic problem.

Some saw Greenspan's wide-ranging criticism as an effort to restore the credibility he lost on the deficit issue when he endorsed the 2001 tax cut. Others said Greenspan basically was doing what he always has done, calling it as he sees it, even at the risk of not being reappointed. If he had wanted to stay for another term, he might not have said anything different, but he might have said a little less," said David Wyss, chief economist at Standard & Poor's in New York.

**JAPAN**

**WTO ministers' meeting closes**

Associated Press

**TOKYO**

Exporting giants eager for markets and nations intent on protecting farming were unable to bridge their increasing economic fractures and other issues as a World Trade Organization ministers' meeting came to a close Sunday.

During the three-day Tokyo meeting, ranging from positions of the 145-member WTO clash over a proposal from Stuart Harbison, the chair of the WTO farm negotiations, to reduce tariffs by an average 60 percent in five years, cut agricultural subsidies and raise import quotas. There are very deep differences represented on this table," U.S. Trade Representative Robert Zoellick said after the meetings. Although a deal on agriculture remains critical for the success of global trade talks, Zoellick acknowledged that a number of countries weren't ready to make concessions.

Japanese Foreign Minister Yoriko Kawaguchi, who chaired the talks, played down the failure of the participants to find common ground. "We came to clearer perceptions regarding issues to be discussed," she said. Harbison's paper served as a catalyst. Everyone's positions became crystallized.

The WTO members are trying to meet a March 31 deadline to agree on a framework for talks on agriculture — one of the stickiest issues in the latest round of global trade negotiations, which began in Doha, Qatar, in 2001. Harbison's report failed to please most delegates, who refused to budge from their stances, officials at the talks said.

The United States and the 18-nation Cairns Group, which favors an agricultural tariff cap at 25 percent in developed nations, said the document didn't go far enough.
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that may not be open to stu-
dents graduating in either
counseling or clinical psy-
chology.

"The focus is really on the opportunities that our stu-
dents would have and our
ability to train them; a
combined degree would
give [students] access to intern-
ships, postdoc-
toral positions, to enhance
research skills, and networking with a
wider body of scholars," Merluzzi said.

Merluzzi said that the combined program would focus on integration between the
two disciplines of clinical and
counseling psychology.

"The idea is that the pro-
gram should be integrated to
capitalize on the strengths common to each program," Merluzzi said. "There may be some things that distinguish
the two disciplines but what distinguishes them is less than what is common ground."

Roger Brooks, a first-year graduate student in counseling psychology, said that he supports the department's plans to gain joint accreditation. Brooks said that he came to
the counseling program aware that a combined degree in clini-
cal/counseling psychology was a
'strong possibility.'

"I think that it is a great move by the program; it would help advance the sta-
tus of the Notre Dame coun-
seling program in an area
that is already highly competi-
tive," he said. "One of the reasons that I chose Notre
Dame was because of the commitment by the faculty
and staff to advance the pro-
gram. I am excited to be part of
such an initiative."

Although this department change would primarily affect graduate students, Merluzzi said that undergraduates
would also reap benefits.

"Our undergraduates would benefit from having very good
scholars and active researchers," Merluzzi said. "I think the world of our undergraduates, and our
research programs benefit tremendously from them."

Currently, 13 national universi-
ties offer combined psy-
chology Ph.D. programs, most either in clinical and school psychology or counseling and school psychology. Merluzzi said that Notre Dame would
be the only university to offer a
combined degree in both
clinical and counseling psy-
chology.

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We are for bringing peace to the world, not just sitting on top of it," Vivian said.

Vivian went on to criticize President Bush, accusing
Bush of playing cowboy and
thereby placing himself in
an embarrassing position.

"If we don't find anything
we look like fools, at least
Bush does," Vivian said.

Vivian led the protesters
out the church doors and
into the street, as demonstr-
ators waved signs that read
"Invest in people, not in war
and "Patriot for Peace." Protest
organizers said more than 400 people
participated in the march
against war with Iraq.

A Baptist minister, Vivian
is the author of "Black
Power" and "The American
Myth." Vivian also holds
leadership positions with the Southern Organizing
Committee Education Fund, the Southern Christian
Leadership conference and the Black Action
Strategies and Information Center.

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2003/2004
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collection boxes will be placed in
the dorms in the upcoming week.
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Iraq, and I don't want war to be waged in my name as an American," said Cussen.

Cussen also reacted to the claims made by the U.S. govern­ment that Iraq is harboring weapons of mass destruction and chemical and biological weapons. She said, "There are definitely no nuclear weapons, and the other weapons that they may have, I believe we can disarm them with the surveillance technology that America has ... I don't think we have a just cause for war."

Barreto, marching next to her classmate, advocated the innocent people, namely the children, who would be hurt by a war in Iraq. "If there is a war in Iraq, it will destroy future generations in America and the world. It will show future generations in America by a war in Iraq. "If there is a cause for war." Barreto said.

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(AAC) for final approval and implementation. Jablonski-Diehl said that she and Student Body President Kim Jensen would be making a presentation to the AAC sometimes in the next month.

"The AAC is a different type of committee because it's the last board before things get implemented," Jablonski-Diehl said. Jensen is the student rep­resentation to the AAC, so is familiar with its members and capacities. Jablonski-Diehl said that the AAC has put the proposal at the top of its agenda and that the student body will know with­in the next two months whether or not the proposal will be implemented next year.

The Student Academic Council and the Board of Governance already unani­mously approved the reading day proposal. The reading day proposal, previously known as the study day proposal, has been a student government initiative since 1992. The purpose of the reading day is to leave the Friday before exam week open for stu­dents to study, meet with professors or work on pro­jects. Currently Saint Mary's holds classes through the Friday before exam week and considers the Saturday and Sunday as study days. A study day survey, con­ducted by student govern­ment, found that 89 percent of students, out of 763 sur­veyed were in favor of a reading day at the end of semesters. If approved by the AAC the reading day proposal will be implemented into the 2003-04 academic calendar as a pilot program.

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Reading
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I never really understood the concept of Junior Parents Weekend. Why juniors and not seniors? Why parents and not hamsters? Why a weekend and not a month? Why at all?

Don't get me wrong. I love my parents and executing long speeches about how much I have impacted my class president's collegiate experience. I also love raisins, especially when they comprise two-thirds of my $45 dinner. It's just the discomfort of tight shoes and poor conversation that frustrate me.

Anticipating another Notre Dame shortcoming, my roommates and I had the brilliance to serve up an appetizer to the Friday night "Bright Lights in the Big City" Gala. We offered a menu of cheap suits and awkward silences in our very own T.G.I. Friday's family room. Unfortunately, we lacked the foresight to serve up the mind-numbing booze that might make such a party tolerable.

The party was scripted to erupt at 7:30 p.m. The floors were scrubbed and the toilet paper was stocked. However, the cute couple of Valentine's Day and JPW would surely spell long dinner lines and preclude anyone from arriving before 8 p.m. Fingers crossed, I prayed my roommates would deliver the necessary beverages before the masses collapsed in. I prayed and I prayed, but to no avail.

One by one, the families trickled in. One by one, I took their coats. One by one, I led them upstairs to feel my hot linens and marvel at our exceptionally high thread count. One by one, they wanted to leave.

Soon enough the beers did arrive, and my roommates along with them. The doors opened and the good times, they began to roll. We introduced. We entertained. People brought us wines worth more than our tongues, which we embarrassingly served in "Soho" cups. We boasted. We watched as our parents transformed from timid teenagers into touchy-feely "50-something"s over the span of three beers. These weren't freshmen we were hosting, they were our parents, and it was fun.

Our party raged well into the night. Students and proud parents didn't begin to clear out until at least 10 p.m., at which point word had gotten out that the Gala was tremendously disappointing. Fortunately, my family had decided not to book the hot Friday night ticket. Rather, we decided to avoid the long prime-time dinner waits in favor of an 11 p.m. sit-down. Aside from a gravely disappointing lack of blue cheese dressing, it turned out to be a decent idea.

We got back just in time to catch an alarmingly competitive game of family Beirut. Father-daughter tandems fired flurries of ping-pong balls at one another. They forgot their three-piece suits and evening gowns and for once shared a raisin from that distance. Despite all this prior disappointment however, the fireworks provided by the Cleo Club and those fire-breathing plants managed to spark most everyone's interest and perhaps save the evening after all.

The Sunday morning brunch proved to be the high point of the weekend. Maybe it was the three hours of sleep, but Coach Brey's speech was the funniest and best that I've heard in some time. He borrowed some inspiration from his fourth grade English teacher and told us to "stir it to be special." I always do Coach. He, and all the other scheduled speakers, told us to hug and thank our parents. He brought it together for me and helped me understand that this weekend was not a complete waste of time. It was more than raisins and penalty boxes. It was fun.

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Examining the military's role in a post-war Iraq

Editor's note: The following is the sec¬
ond in a series of guest columns on the role the U.S. military would play in a post-Iraq war. The first piece appeared on Friday.

Deployed to a war-torn country, the U.S. military must quickly secure the Iraqi oil fields in the post-conflict period. Most experts agree that Iraqi oil revenues are being considered as the primary source of the economic, humanitarian, and reconstruction assistance funds for its reconstruction projects. The unaccounted flow of oil revenues that can be converted to payments for reconstruction projects is considered a vital link by both U.S. State and Defense Department officials. The main task for U.S. military forces will be to protect the oil fields from sabotage by pro-Iraqi forces, who set fire to the Koweit oil fields during the 1991 Persian Gulf War. While setting the oil fields, U.S. military commanders must reconignize the importance of freeing the occupation of the oil fields by the U.S. military is a purely short-term measure; names to be dissolved with the occupation. U.S. military information campaigns must initially be aimed at putting the pre¬
vention that once the story of oil has surfaced, the oil fields are not that important anymore. Iraqi military forces should attempt, as soon as possible, an "exit strategy" that allows for in-hall dances. The student government office and Campus Life Council meetings. Stop under the president who is so con¬
cerned with personal relationships with the administration that we fear she is compromising her abili¬
ity to be a strong leader. Last year when running for office, Bishop based her campaign on the fact that she would be an honest representative of the student body. Yet, it seems she has given up this stance. As a leader, the president should reflect the needs and desires of the student body. It is a fact that Bishop has failed us. How can the University and the Board of Trustees know how upset students are about the current dance policy if this infor¬
mation is not conveyed by our presi¬
dent? We want the students to know that student government is more than just one person. There are still many of us who are willing to fight for what we students want without the fear of cre¬
aturing controversy. Though our faith in the current president has faded, we still believe in the student body and in other members of student govern¬
ment. We still have hope that the stu¬
dents will continue to voice their opin¬
ions and concerns.

We encourage you to take an active role by taking hold of your president, by attending the Senate and Campus Life Council meetings. Stop by the student government office and let the president know your opinions about the student body. If she was elected to represent you. As senators we will continue to do our job wholeheartedly elected to do. We encourage you to represent the interests and opinions of the students.

Sarah Bates and Joanna Cornell

student senators

Debora Wore and Beans Phillips Hall

Feb. 13

I am writing in response to Terry McMannus' s request (in Friday's Viewpoint) that the Notre Dame community join him in promoting "The Vagina Monologues."  I feel that it is completely reasonable for those who have watched, read or adequately re¬
mastered this play and have not been offended by it on a moral basis to choose not to attend. However, I find it interesting that as Americans we watch countless hours of television and movies that reduce women to objects and devalue their contributions to society, yet become so easily offended by a production that honestly conveys a truth which both expols and denies the sexuali¬
ty of women. Perhaps we need to honestly consider why we find this production so threatening. It is really because the message is "immoral" or is it because it compromises our ability to maintain the status quo by defining a prescribed cultural role for women?

I have read "The Vagina Monologues" and found it moving and thought-provok¬
ing. I hope the opportunity will allow me to watch the live play when it comes to Notre Dame. Since I was unable to watch the play in its entirety, I would respect my opinion and trust my judgment enough to not interfere with its production. For my part, I do not personally understand the point of this play respect my opinion and trust my judgment enough to not interfere with its production. For my part, I do not personally understand the point of this play.

Aan Feinmeyer

South Bend

Feb. 13

Defending V-Day

Practice mutual respect

Well, I'm glad to see that someone is finally standing up for pervasive censorship and intolerance in the Viewpoint section. I'm referring to Friday's letter encouraging us to yell bad things at the administration for allowing "The Vagina Monologues" to be produced here.

It was a warm reminder that those who are overly afraid of having their "beliefs" challenged on this campus will not be kept silent. Thank you for trying to protect us from being corrupted by an immoral story. Hey, where were you guys when "The Mandarin" was being presented at the Huschre Library. Oh, and we could use you guys to help share the "very bawdy pornographic" film that SUB is show¬
ing this weekend, "Animal House." Come to think of it, I think it is the first time this year Mary's Advocates have spo¬
ken out against something. There have been a number of films and plays shown here that have been as vulgar as you make "The Vagina Monologues" sound.

You should protest more often. Then no one would accuse you of only attacking feminism while choosing to ignore vulgariti¬
est that comes to a male-dominated society.

You know, maybe I'll go see "Vagina Monologues" myself to be caught off guard so I can learn something worthwhile that might not have occurred to me. I have no idea if I'll agree with everything I hear, but something tells me the last thing I should do is hide from it.

David Tull

Knott Hall

Feb. 13

"Is feminism the threat that is feared?"

In situations like this, it is easy to understand why the student body seems to have lost confidence in the student government. In our opinion, the impact student government has on any organization is critically important. Traditionally, as members of student government, we are too. While the Office of the President has greatly contributed to the University this year, the Board of Trustees report shows us that we are currently work¬
The Bard and the Bardess

The Summer Shakespeare Program brings world-famous actors, staff to Notre Dame.

**By COLLEEN BARRETT**
Scene Writer

Summer Shakespeare at Notre Dame began like most great success stories do - with a dream and a notebook filled with ideas to make that dream come true.

"In a funny way, it all began in London," says Paul Rathburn, an emeritus English professor at Notre Dame. Rathburn began asking his students to perform four times during the semester, and brought in actors from the London Stage to critique the roles that the students had been preparing for five weeks. "In 25 years, you might remember that you took a class in Shakespeare at Notre Dame. But you will never forget the time you stood up and became Desdemona if you put your heart into it. I am convinced it is the best way to teach Shakespeare, not straight to the West End in London, Oxford or Cambridge to see the particular play they had studied. After the performances, Rathburn invited the professional Shakespearean actors to come to his classroom. "Some of the greatest Shakespearean actors in the world came into our classroom to explain why they portrayed their characters the way that they did," said Rathburn. The students had the opportunity to discuss Shakespeare with many renowned artists, including Anthony Hopkins, "Why did you do this particular thing in Scene Three?" What an experience.

When Rathburn returned to Notre Dame, he wanted to continue the course that he classified as not straight theatre, but a combination of both. Unlike in London, the Shakespearean plays were not readily and consistently available at campus. He looked to other venues, including Chicago and Stratford, as well as regularly showing films of Shakespeare’s plays.

"And then a light bulb went off," he said. "It’s great to see professional actors performing the play, but there is another step to bring students closer to the playing. Instead of just having a student study the character of Desdemona, Rathburn wanted students to become Desdemona.

Rathburn began asking his students to perform four times during the school year, and brought in actors from the London Stage to critique the roles that the students had been preparing for five weeks. "In 25 years, you might remember that you took a class in Shakespeare at Notre Dame. But you will never forget the time you stood up and became Desdemona if you put your heart into it. I am convinced it is the best way to teach Shakespeare, not straight reading and encouragement of the University’s administration, Summer Shakespeare’s inaugural production of "Taming of the Shrew" hit the stage in the summer of 2000. According to Rathburn, "Taming of the Shrew" always sells tickets well, and so was an ideal opening play. The cast takes over Washington Hall with the cooperation of the FTT department. They spend seven hours a day, six days a week rehearsing. Students are involved in acting, understudying for professionals, costume design, lighting or set design, directing and numerous other aspects of the production. Each professional actor works closely with one student as a mentor. "Training with a professional actor is indispensable," says David Hartwig, this year’s company manager who also acted in last year’s production. "I learned more about acting than I ever had, and I have been acting since I was five."

With generous donations by alumni and other supporters, as well as the cooperation and encouragement of the University’s administration, Summer Shakespeare’s inaugural production of "Taming of the Shrew" hit the stage in the summer of 2000. According to Rathburn, "Taming of the Shrew" always sells tickets well, and so is an ideal opening play. The next summer "Much Ado About Nothing" received national recognition. Seasoned actors began to apply for the professional roles as acclaim grew.

In the summer of 2002, Summer Shakespeare’s production of "The
The Golden Dome

Students and South Bend residents together through great drama

Photo provided by Lou Sabo

by Tony Award nominee Todd Rosenthal. Plays are

rehearse the scene, develop costumes and perform on campus. Family members can watch the 25-minute performances for free. Rathburn hopes Shakespeare's presence will continue to grow until the event fills the dome with community members who would otherwise never have come to Notre Dame.

Though it began as a small dream, Summer Shakespeare has become a nationally recognized program. "I'm amazed when I think of how far we have come. And to mean 'we,'" said Rathburn, emphasizing that credit for the program's success must be distributed across campus to administration and across the country to the alumni who have contributed.

Summer Shakespeare is part of the Shakespeare Initiative, a larger University effort to make Notre Dame a prominent place in the study of Shakespearean performance. The Shakespeare Initiative will ensure that something Shakespearean will happen 12 months out of the year.

Another important proponent of the Initiative will be McMeel Chair holder Peter Holland. Holland studied at Stratford-Upon-Avon and is an internationally renowned Shakespearean scholar with particular interest in the performance of Shakespeare. Holland will join the Notre Dame community in the fall of 2003 and will work with the new Shakespeare Center to promote Shakespeare on campus.

The library is also expanding its collection of Shakespearean literature, including historical documents, and the Center will provide stages upon which students can perform Shakespeare during the year and at Summer Shakespeare. The Initiative is bringing in guest speakers and lecturers throughout the academic year to heighten interest. Well-known actors such as Claire Bloom, Brian Bedford, Michael York and Christopher Plummer will perform and speak on campus, actors from the London Stage will visit classroom and Shakespearean scholars will lecture throughout the year.

"Shakespeare uses themes and ideas that are still just as relevant today, if not more so," said Hartwig. "To understand drama today, you have to understand Shakespeare because he created 'real' characters, three-dimensional characters, or you look at ghosts, sometimes four-dimensional. His is unrivaled in dramatic history."

Notre Dame is also bringing in quality theatre performances with Rathburn's help in an effort to get the student body more involved in the performing arts. On March 7 and 8, the Guthrie Theater will present "The Staff of Dreams," an original play by Bill Corbett, on its world premiere tour. "Guthrie is an incredibly high quality level of theatre," said Hartwig. "It is hard to argue the best regional theatre in the country and it gives students another opportunity to see fantastic theater on campus."

Members of the Guthrie Theatre will arrive on campus on March 6 and professors can invite them to visit their classes to talk about anything the professor desires. The two performances will be at Washington Hall at 7:30 p.m. and tickets for students are $7, which Rathburn hopes will entice students in spite of the spring break break out.

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Tempest" continued to bring attention to the program, including a plug by Regis Philbin on his morning talk show. "I loved learning so much about Shakespeare, about performing Shakespeare," said sophomore Elizabeth Grams, who worked as assistant stage manager on "The Tempest" and will play a fairy for the community. "An important part of the Initiative will be McMeel Chair holder Peter Holland. Holland studied at Stratford-Upon-Avon and is an internationally renowned Shakespearean scholar with particular interest in the performance of Shakespeare. Holland will join the Notre Dame community in the fall of 2003 and will work with the new Shakespeare program, as well as the PTT program and the artistic director of the new Performing Arts Center in order to promote Shakespearean performance. The library is also expanding its collection of Shakespearean literature, including historical documents, and the Center will provide stages upon which students can perform Shakespeare during the year and at Summer Shakespeare. The Initiative is bringing in guest speakers and lecturers throughout the academic year to heighten interest. Well-known actors such as Claire Bloom, Brian Bedford, Michael York and Christopher Plummer will perform and speak on campus, actors from the London Stage will visit classroom and Shakespearean scholars will lecture throughout the year.

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Local high school and middle school students performed in Shakespeare Scenes, part of the Summer Shakespeare program's effort to involve the local community.

Petruchio and his servant Grumio pretend to spar in "The Taming of the Shrew." The show brought professional actors from around the country to Notre Dame.
east Rutherford, N.J. In their first three-game winning streak since mid-December.

"We just need a win," said Iverson, who was 10-for-24 from the field and 1-for-12 from the free throw line. "We don't care what team it is. It is a good feeling seeing it is tightening up on the top of the division. We feel we get a team like this, we can get another one, another one, another one."

Kidd had 21 points for the Nets, who have lost three of four since coming back from the All-Star break.

"It's a matter of fighting through it and being mentally strong," said Kidd, who had eight turnovers. "As a whole we haven't been as mentally strong, which is the top of the division. We feel we get a team like this, we can get another one, another one, another one.

The Nets, who missed 11 free throws, came close to overcoming their mistakes. Kidd's second 3-pointer of the fourth quarter led to 86-83 with 23.4 seconds left. After McGrady's 3-pointer cut Toronto's lead to 99-97 with 31 seconds left, Antawn Jamison's two free throws provided the 76ers with a 102-99 lead with 12.6 seconds left.

Spurs 104, Kings 101

Wally Szczerbiak had 11 of his 22 points in the third quarter. The San Antonio Spurs capped a three-game road swing with a 104-101 victory over the Sacramento Kings.

"It was a very difficult game, but Mike Miller didn't get his 3-pointer reduced the 76ers' lead to 86-83 with 23.4 seconds left in the game, before the final buzzer — though referee Steve Javie tossed Adelman after the charge is 3 cents per character per day, including all spaces. The Observer reserves the right to edit all classifieds for content without issuing refunds.

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Jordan at 40: In search of a rhythm

Associated Press

WASHINGTON "Michael Jordan turns 40 Monday, wishing he could switch on his A-game the way he did when he was younger. Gone are the carefree days when Jordan could throw his body around until he found the flow. Now it's all about maximizing the output while searching for the six-letter word he uses after nearly every game. "It's all rhythm," Jordan said. "It's rhythm in a lot of jobs. If you get a good rhythm, you just feed off that. If you're not in a great rhythm, it's tough to find something — especially in this game, when you're relying on 11 other guys to help you find that rhythm offensively. Once you find it, things come a lot easier." The rhythm has come and gone without much warning during Jordan's second comeback.

He has seven 40-point games in his 1 1/2 seasons with the Wizards, but he's also had 11 games in which he failed to reach double digits — something that happened just once in his 13-year career with the Chicago Bulls. "When you're young, you're reckless," Jordan said. "You put so much energy on the floor, sooner or later you're going to find it. When you get older, you have to get smarter in how you're doing it. You're conserving energy."

Still, Jordan's energy output is hardly in the low range, especially as he tries to will the below-.300 Wizards toward a playoff spot in his final year as a player. He has played 40 or more minutes in eight of his last 17 games — not bad considering he began the season wondering whether his knees could take even 30 minutes a night. Jordan is averaging 19 points and 35 minutes. He's not the Air Jordan of old, but a lot of coaches would take those numbers from a seasoned veteran.

"It gives me great pleasure to go out there and play against some of the young talent and show I can still compete — I can still be successful against them," Jordan said. "As long as you have that feeling, that's motivation for a lot of people."

Jordan is part of a larger trend — athletes playing well despite pushing or reaching the Big Four-Oh. "I'm happy to be alive," Jordan said. "I'm happy to be playing the game of basketball. I'm happy to be 40 years old and still playing."

Wizards coach Michael Jordan said: "It's a good place to go out there and play against some of the young talent and show I can still compete — I can still be successful against them."

NBA Mens Basketball

Kansas High Iowa State in a rough game

Associated Press

LAWRENCE, Kan. Aaron Miles had a big game but knew he was headed for the doghouse. Iowa State coach Larry Eustachy got ejected for arguing a call that he didn't know had been changed.

Miles, Simien returned from a six-week layoff and got caught in the middle of a near-bravo, Iowa State's Jackson Vroman managed to get six fouls.

In the meantime, Kirk Hinrich and Nick Collison scored 19 points each and led No. 9 Kansas past Iowa State 71-66 in a rough, wacky game Sunday that gave the Jayhawks sole possession of first place in the Big 12.

The Jayhawks (19-5, 9-1 Big 12) won for the 15th time in 25 regular-season Big 12 games. "It was just a dysfunctional day," Kansas coach Roy Williams said.

Jared Homan of Iowa State (12-9, 2-8) stepped in front of Simien to stop him from charging Vroman, and then Miles shoved Homan from behind.

After order was restored, a shoving foul and technical foul were called on Vroman, sending him out of the game with six fouls, and a technical was called on Miles.

"We got tangled up a little bit and emotions ran high," Michael Jordan said. "I'm at 40 and still playing it."
The Observer

SPORTS

Monday, February 17, 2003

PGA

Woods returns to PGA with a win in Buick Invitational

Associated Press

SAN DIEGO

Tiger Woods returned to the PGA Tour the way he left it — on top.

Playing for the first time since surgery on Dec. 12, Woods quickly put aside any questions about his knee, his game or his dominance over Phil Mickelson by winning the Buick Invitational on Sunday in another runaway.

"I got better each and every day," Woods said. "That's just getting back into the competitive spirit."

It didn't take him long. The two-month layoff was the longest of his career, and it looked as though he was never gone.

Carl Pettersson of Sweden had a 69 to finish four strokes behind, although he was never a factor on a sunny day at Torrey Pines. Brad Faxon was the only challenger until he ran into problems off the tee. He shot 72 to finish third at 277.

Woods won for the 35th time on the PGA Tour, and it was his 11th tour victory by at least four shots. He also improved his record to 27-2 when he has at least a share of the 54-hole lead, and this was as easy as any of them.

The defining shot came at the 231-yard 11th hole, when his 4-iron never left the flag and stopped 3 feet in front of the hole.

Woods finished at 16-under 272 and earned $810,000. He also sent a message to Ernie Els, who won by 10 shots earlier Sunday at the Johnnie Walker Classic in Australia, his fourth victory in five events this year.

The top two players in the world won't get together until the Match Play Championship in two weeks just north of San Diego.

As for Mickelson?

"He's obviously a very impressive player," Mickelson said. "He played some exceptional shots in the wind. It would have been tough to catch him.

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Not bad for a guy using inferior equipment, as Mickelson recently suggested.

In an electric atmosphere more suited for a prize fight, Woods delivered an early knockout and closed with a 4-under 68 for a four-stroke victory.

Woods won his 11th tour victory by at least four shots.

"I got better each and every day," Woods said. "That's just getting back into the competitive spirit."

It didn't take him long. The two-month layoff was the longest of his career, and it looked as though he was never gone.

Carl Pettersson of Sweden had a 69 to finish four strokes behind, although he was never a factor on a sunny day at Torrey Pines. Brad Faxon was the only challenger until he ran into problems off the tee. He shot 72 to finish third at 277.

Woods won for the 35th time on the PGA Tour, and it was his 11th tour victory by at least four shots. He also improved his record to 27-2 when he has at least a share of the 54-hole lead, and this was as easy as any of them.

The defining shot came at the 231-yard 11th hole, when his 4-iron never left the flag and stopped 3 feet in front of the hole.

What rust?

"I haven't hit too many money shots," he said. "At least not this kind of money."

Woods finished at 16-under 272 and earned $810,000. He also sent a message to Ernie Els, who won by 10 shots earlier Sunday at the Johnnie Walker Classic in Australia, his fourth victory in five events this year.

The top two players in the world won't get together until the Match Play Championship in two weeks just north of San Diego.

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Belles finish last in conference, declare season a success

By ERIK POWERS
Sports Writer

For the Belles swim and dive team, the three-day MIAA Championship meet signified the end to a season of commitment, hard work and determination.

When the MIAA championships ended Saturday, the only place that the Belles didn't finish in first was the standings. After finishing fifth last year and swimming a tight meet with eventual champion Hope College, the Belles have set the bar high for themselves. "We are a young team and we greatly lack in depth in comparison to our competition," said captain Lane Herrington.

The Belles dug themselves an early hole when competition began Thursday when only four swimmers qualified for the evening finals. Kelly Nellis and Megan Ramsey placed in the top six in the 500 freestyle and Maureen Palchak and Lane Herrington placed in the top 12.

The Belles' bright spot came early when the 200 freestyle relay took fourth place ahead of Alma and Albion.

"It is unfortunate that we finished last in the conference because that truly does not reflect our swims or our ability," captain Lane Herrington said. "We are a young team and we greatly lack in depth in comparison to our competition."

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That Friday, the Belles finally reaped the benefits of a season of intense training and dedication. The Belles 200 Medley relay of Herrington, Smith, Ramsey and Palchak started the evening off by taking fourth, beating out Alma and Albion. The record in the 200 freestyle was again broken that evening, this time by Freshman Kelly Nellis in a time of 1:59.21. The 200 medley proved to be the highlight of the evening as Ramsey swam to first place against tough competition. It was the first time a swimmer from Saint Mary's ever placed first in the MIAA. Ramsey earned the designation of a "B-cut" NCAA swimmer, meaning that she will be under consideration to make the national championships after all the automatic qualifiers are extended.

Another exciting swim for Saint Mary's came from freshman Katie Dingeman qualifying to swim the 400 IM in consolida­tion finals. Also that night, point-scoring swims came from Palchak and Herrington in the finals of the 200 freestyle with a time of 1:59.33. Then, junior Megan Ramsey warmed up for the evening session by qualifying first in the 100 butterfly. A total of nine swimmers qualified to swim individual events in the evening session.

That evening, this time by Freshman Jamie Veslick (100 back), JAMILA\tLAUREN Smith (100 breast) scored points in the consolation finals. Dingeman dropped time from her morning swim to a lifetime best of 5:02. The evening closed with Palchak, Nellis, Herrington and Ramsey breaking the school record in the 800 freestyle relay with a time of 8:09.

Although the team title no longer remained a possibility, the Belles still bucked dejection in order to fight incredibly hard Saturday. The final day of competition featured the team's strengths: the 200 breaststroke events. The morning ended with eight swimmers qualifying to swim again in Saturday's finals. Notable individual performances included Jackie Huebiger's heat-winning, lifetime best effort in the timed mile, Candace Polisky's best time of the season and 12th place finish and sophomore Angie Ozmanski's 12th place finish in 1M diving.

The excitement that had been building throughout the meet culminated in the fastest swims of Saturday night. The evening started by taking time to recognize the seniors from each team in the MIAA including Saint Mary's Lauren Smith and Lane Herrington, who would swim their final race Saturday night after competing with the Belles for four years. Godfrey and Herrington got the meet off to a great start by taking 10th and 11th respectively in the finals of the 200 backstroke. Smith and Lebovitz both turned out solid races in the 200 breaststroke. Palchak was also able to come back and drop time from her morning swim in the 100 free. The flyers of Saint Mary's stepped up to the competition with Dingeman winning the consolation heat (seventh place) and McGranahan coming in less than half a second later to take ninth place. In the finals of the 200 fly Ramsey took third place. The meet concluded with the 400 freestyle relay. The team of Ramsey, Herrington, Nellis and Palchak took fourth and set a new school record.

The women of the Saint Mary's swim team have begun to earn the respect of the MIAA. It is only a matter of time until the Belles receive as a team. They are looking to gain depth in the future and already have a strong recruiting class. The team will only look to go in this year; the rest of the team has already begun to look to the successes that the future certainly holds for them.

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Michael Waltrip celebrates his second victory at the NASCAR Winston Cup Daytona 500 Sunday at the Daytona International Speedway. Waltrip won his first Winston Cup in 2001 and finished fifth in last year's 500.

Waltrip wins second Daytona 500

Associated Press

DAYTONA BEACH Michael Waltrip is the new master of Daytona. He doesn't win anywhere else.

It's a burden well worth bearing — being the best driver in NASCAR's biggest race, at stock-car racing's most famous track.

Under dark clouds, Waltrip raced past leader Jimmie Johnson after a restart on lap 106 Sunday to win the rain-shortened Daytona 500 for the second time in three years.

Counting last year's Pepsi 400, he has three victories in the last five races at Daytona International Speedway. Those are the only ones in his 355 career starts.

Favorite Dale Earnhardt Jr., done in by a bad alternator and dead battery, helped his friend and teammate take the lead on the last green-flag lap.

Waltrip's first career Winston Cup victory came here in 2001, in his first race with Dale Earnhardt Inc. But his joy was wiped away by the fatal last-lap crash of Dale Earnhardt Sr., his boss and friend.

After Sunday's victory, Waltrip paid tribute to the seven-time Cup champion and Daytona's winningest driver with 34 victories, including the 1998 Daytona 500.

"I'm so thankful — thankful for Dale Earnhardt," Waltrip said.

"He made this place so special over the years. He was about this race. I know he's smiling now."

On Sunday, Waltrip followed Earnhardt Jr., who had been lapped, past Johnson in a tight two-car draft.

As the leaders neared the finish line, defending champ Burton spun and slammed into the fourth-turn wall, bringing out the fifth caution flag of the day.

Moments later, rain fell for the second time, and cars were stopped on pit road to wait it out after completing 109 of 200 laps.

After a little more than an hour, NASCAR declared Waltrip the winner.

He finished second to Earnhardt Jr. in the 2001 Pepsi 400 and was fifth in last year's 500 after winning a qualifying race.

Three-time Winston Cup champion Darrell Waltrip's younger brother finally got to fully enjoy a victory in July, taking the 2002 Pepsi race.

The tandem of Waltrip and Earnhardt Jr. dominated Sunday's 500.

IN BRIEF

Bout in doubt

Mike Tyson won't be on his scheduled flight to Memphis Sunday, another indication his comeback flight with Clifford Etienne may be doomed.

The Etienne fight may be the least of the worries for Tyson's handlers.

If next Saturday's fight is not held, it is possible June rematch with Lewis.

On Friday, he reportedly went to the gym for three straight days.

The former heavyweight champion has acted unpredictably all week, getting a large tattoo that covers most of the left side of his face and leaving his trainer waiting for him at the gym for three straight days.

On Friday, he reportedly went to the doctor because he wasn't feeling well and was diagnosed with what his handlers variously describe as either the flu or bronchitis.

After taking a beating from Lennox Lewis in their heavyweight title fight last June, Tyson needed a big win over Etienne not only as a confidence booster but also to set up a possible June rematch with Lewis.

If the fight is off, it would likely not be rescheduled for months, if at all.

Yankees' payroll skyrocket

Even before the start of the season, the New York Yankees are smashing barriers.

New York set a record with a $138 million payroll last year, according to the final tabulation by the commissioner's office, and is on the verge of becoming the first team to top $150 million.

The Yankees' 2003 payroll stands at $149.2 million for 22 signed players likely to be on the opening-day roster, according to contract information obtained by The Associated Press.

The Yankees currently are just one of two teams projected by the commissioner's office to be paying the new luxury tax this year. The other is the New York Mets.

Still unsigned are second baseman Alfonso Soriano, who made $630,000 last year and hit 39 homers, and designated hitter Nick Johnson.

Red Sox president Larry Lucchino, jealous of the Yankees' wealth, referred to them as the "evil empire" during the offseason, saying they can outspend all others.

In contrast to recent years, only four of the 10-biggest spenders made the playoffs, with the Yankees, Diamondbacks and Giants joined by Atlanta ($94.7 million). In addition to Anaheim, other relatively modest spenders in the postseason included St. Louis (12th at $73.8 million), Minnesota (26th at $41.8 million) and Oakland (27th at $41 million).
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“I didn’t want this team to lose and I was just doing everything I could to prevent it from happening,” Carroll said. “But it wasn’t enough.”

Freshman sensation Anthony brought the Orange men back and scored 10 of his game-high 26 points on Syracuse’s 14-2 run that tied the game at 69.

Notre Dame and Syracuse traded baskets and with the game tied at 77, Anthony used a finger roll to put the Orange men up 79-77. Carroll nailed a 3-pointer with 26.2 seconds remaining before McNamara made the game-winner.

Carroll led the Irish with 22 points and 9 rebounds. Thomas scored 16, was 6-for-13 from the field and had six assists.

As a team, the Irish were 12-for-26 on 3-pointers with Carroll, Thomas and Miller each making four treys.

Notre Dame forward Dan Miller dribbles the ball against Pittsburgh. Miller and the Irish came up just short at Syracuse on Saturday, 82-80.

Friars

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But the Friars didn’t quit, and cut the lead to 63-51 with 2:30 remaining.

After nailing two 3-pointers, Providence trimmed the Notre Dame lead to just four points with seven seconds remaining. Ratay then got fouled and calmly sunk her two free throws to clinch the game for the Irish.

The win improved Notre Dame’s record to 15-8 overall, 7-5 in conference play. It was also Notre Dame’s fourth victory in their last five contests and put them in sole possession of sixth place in the Big East standings.

“Our confidence is much better,” McGraw said. “We’re playing well together and it seems to be working.”

The Irish now have an entire week off from games until they travel to face No. 1 Connecticut Sunday. Notre Dame lost to the Huskies 72-53 Jan. 20 at the Joyce Center in the first of two meetings this season between the two clubs.

As of Sunday night, Connecticut had won 63 straight games, with their last loss coming against Notre Dame in 2001.

McGraw is giving the team Monday and Tuesday off from practice and will use the rest of the week to tinker with the new 1-3-1 defense and add any other new schemes to the game plan.

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Irish continue to dominate Big East
By JOE LINDSLEY
Sports Writer

“Someone was missing, and when we were on the court, we were all ready,” Salas said. “It gives us a lot of confidence when we head down to the point against the Hokies.”

“It’s kind of good to be both the underdog and the favorite at the same time,” Salas said. “It’s a young team, so we have not lost confidence.”

The team is looking forward to the opportunity to clash with Virginia Tech, just because we have been playing so well in doubles,” Salas said. “Everyone played great, everyone got at least one win under their belt.”

“We knew both of the teams were going to be tough,” Salas said. “Individuals, we’ve had close matches when we’ve played Tech before.”

Notre Dame had to come from behind Friday after losing the doubles point against Virginia Tech. Doubles play has been a strength point for the Irish this season, so the failure to secure the point against the Hokies was a bit of a surprise for the Irish.

“It was kind of disappointing to lose the doubles against Virginia Tech, just because we have been playing so well in doubles,” Salas said. “We played a lot better Sunday.”

The Irish kept the Eagles from soaring by taking the doubles point Sunday, Sophomore Sarah Jane Connelly and freshman Jennifer Smith began the match with their 8-0 victory over the Eagles’ Morgan Landies and Emily Yeomans. Then, Connelly’s younger sister, Lauren, and Salas defeated Allison Ashley and Szegedi, 8-3.

“It’s a young team, so we have freshmen at every spot in our doubles team,” Salas said. “They’ve done so well. Doubles has been really strong.”

“I enjoy playing, Salas said. “We have not lost our confidence.”

“It gives us a lot of confidence,” Salas said. “It’s always nice to play those matches and to play well. It gives us a lot of confidence when we head down to the tournament in the spring.”

The team is looking forward to the opportunity to clash with the Blue Devils Friday. “It’s exciting,” Salas said. “We definitely understand that there’s no pressure. It’ll be fun just to go out there and play as well as we can, because we have good matches with Duke.”

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SMC BASKETBALL
Belles lose 11th straight on senior day
By HEATHER VAN HOGarden
Sports Writer

It was senior day at the Angela Athletic Facility Saturday for Saint Mary’s. However, despite the added motivation, the Belles’ efforts fell short for the 11th straight game, in a 60-48 loss to Calvin.

One bright spot for Saint Mary’s (5-18, 1-11) was the play of "I looked on the court at one point, and it was all young players. I just thought to myself, 'There is our future,' and that is a positive for us.”

Suzanne Bellina
coach

“Everyone got at least one win under their belt.”

“I really thought we were going to pull it off,” Bridget Boyce said. “We just couldn’t execute when the game was on the line.”

With 10 minutes to go in the game, the Belles were only down 36-35. However, the Knights went on a 24-13 run to finish the game and extinguish Saint Mary’s hopes of getting a win.

There was a point in the second half when we had to cap it. We had to cap it.”

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Despite the loss, the Belles “I never lost all hope in their young team. Coach Suzanne Bellina is especially optimistic about a team of 10 that boasts four freshmen and five sophomores.

“I looked out on the court at one point, and it was all young players,” Bellina said. “I just thought to myself, ‘There is our future,’ and that is a positive for us.”

Saint Mary’s has one more home game before they travel to Alma for the regular season finale. Wednesday’s game pits the Belles against Adrian (10-13, 3-9) who beat Saint Mary’s Jan. 22. However, Saint Mary’s has a great chance to pick up a win in their home against the seventh place Bulldogs, who come off a 66-57 loss to Alma.

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Hockey

Irish sink their claws into the Falcons this weekend

By JUSTIN SCHUVER
Sports Writer

If only the Irish could play Bowling Green every weekend. Notre Dame continued its dominance of the Falcons and finally snapped a nine-game winless streak (0-6-3) with two 3-2 road wins this weekend.

With the wins, the Irish complete a perfect four-game sweep of Bowling Green for the season, and, more importantly, have gained confidence going into the home stretch.

"These wins give us momentum that we can build on," said Irish head coach Dave Poulin.

Sophomore Irish goaltender Morgan Cey was exceptional in the wins, stopping a combined 63 shots in the two games on his way to being named the first star of the weekend.

"Morgan really did a nice job," Poulin said. "He's played this way most of the last month, but he never seemed to get any breaks, and now he has." To some extent, Cey's recent play has been wasted due to an anemic Irish offense. Although six goals in two games isn't impressive, it was all the Irish needed to at least partially turn their season around.

Friday, the Irish found themselves down early when Falcon forwards Ryan Minnabarriet and Roger Leonard combined on a 2-on-1 against Cey. Minnabarriet slipped a rebound past Cey directly in front of him, and beat Sigalet for the short-handled goal.

"I went in wanting to go top shelf with it and missed," said Wroblewski. "I guess I got enough on it to beat the goalie low to his glove side."

"It's great to get back on the winning track," Wroblewski said. "We have a great feeling back in [the locker] room. Now we have to make the most of it." With the two wins, the Irish now find themselves in eighth place in the CCHA with 21 points. Notre Dame is now only two points out of sixth place and the final home playoff spot.

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The Irish faced off against the Falcons again knotted the game back up with a power play goal of their own. Cey stopped a shot from Tyler Knight, but was unable to corral the rebound and forward Steve Brudzewski scored to tie the game.

Ten minutes into the third period, and nine games of frustration were finally over. Sophomore center Yan Stastny won a draw in the right wing circle that Wroblewski was able to pass to forward Aaron Gill. Gill whipped a shot past Masters for the winning goal.

"Yanny [Stastny] won the draw and [Wroblewski] chipped it to me. John stepped in front of me, so I went far post," said Gill. "It's great to finally get a win. Now we have to use it to build our confidence and get on a roll." Saturday, Notre Dame got on the board first when a Bowling Green penalty led to an Irish goal. Immediately off the face-off, Irish forward Connor Dunlop won the draw back to defender Brett Lebeda, who passed to forward Staatsy on the left point. Staatsy then completed the play with a pass to Jake Wiegand, who was alone in the slot and waited for Falcon goalie Jordan Sigalet to make his move before flipping the puck over Sigalet's glove.

The goal was the first time in the last eight games that the Irish have jumped out to an early lead. Notre Dame has never lost this season when scoring first in a game, collecting an 8-0-3 record in those contests.

Bowling Green scored early in the second to tie the game back up, after Steve Brudzewski slipped a rebound past Cey during a four-on-four situation. Dunlop scored off a rebound of a shot by Gill to give the Irish a 2-1 lead about 10 minutes into the second. Momentum seemed to have shifted when the Irish were called for a penalty three minutes later, but Wroblewski had other ideas.

The Falcon defense turned the puck over at neutral ice and allowed Wroblewski to skate in and beat Sigalet for the short-handled goal. "I went in wanting to go top shelf with it and missed," Wroblewski said. "I guess I got enough on it to beat the goalie low to his glove side."

Tyler Knight scored with 10 seconds remaining in the second to bring the Falcons within one, but it would be as close as they would get as the Irish again held on for a 3-2 win.

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The Irish face off against Michigan State. He played well against Bowling Green in two wins this weekend.

Notes:
Senior defenseman Evan Nielsen became Notre Dame's all time leading "Iron Man" as he played in his 104th consecutive game, breaking the record held by Ryan Dolder. Dolder set the mark in the 2000-01 season. Right behind Nielsen is Wroblewski, who has played in 103 straight contests.

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**MENS BASKETBALL**

**Ratay leads Irish to comeback win over Friars**

By JOE HETTLER
Sports Editor

Notre Dame allowed Providence to begin the game on a 12-2 run Sunday afternoon, then let Alicia Ratay take over.

Ratay scorched the Friars for 30 points and grabbed a game-high seven rebounds, while igniting a 32-4 run that helped the Irish beat Providence 67-61.

"Alicia just had a great game," Irish coach Muffet McGraw said. "We were really looking for her today and she came through." Ratay tied a career-high by converting 11-of-21 shots and four of five free throws.

McGraw said she was content with the number of shots all her players took during the game.

"I think we're doing a much better job of getting people involved offensively," McGraw said.

The Irish had all seven players take at least five shots each, led by Ratay's 12 attempts. The Friars had four players score in double figures, including Jessica Simmonds and Kristen Quinn who both had a team-high 15 points.

After falling behind by 10 early, Notre Dame cut the lead to 27-22 with 7 minutes, 30 seconds left in the first half. The Irish then used the next 12:30 to totally dominate the Friars in every aspect of basketball, en route to their 32-4 sport.

Syracuse forward Hakim Warrick threw the ball straight into the air, thinking the game was over, but six seconds remained.

"I didn't have a clue," Warrick said. "I threw it up and I kept listening for the horn to go off. It didn't go off and I was like, 'Uh-oh.'" Notre Dame forward Den Miller couldn't get control of the ball when it hit the ground and time expired.

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**WOMENS BASKETBALL**

**McNamara’s trey lifts No. 19 Syracuse over Irish in wild ending**

By MATT LOZAR
Sports Editor

A 12-point lead with under 12 minutes remaining, a chance to hand Syracuse its first home loss of the year, and a shot at gaining sole possession of first place in the Big East West Division were there for the Irish.

Opportunity knocked, but the Irish didn't answer.

Syracuse freshman guard Gerry McNamara nailed a wide-open 3-pointer with 20 seconds remaining and Notre Dame couldn't get a good shot off in a crazy finish as the Orange finished the Irish 82-80 Saturday.

"We showed man-to-man and pulled back to a zone and kind of lost him. That's my fault. We should have played man-to-man on that possession, I really kick myself," Notre Dame coach Mike Brey said. "I don't think I put my guys in a great position there. We were trying to go back to zone but we got so [Earmelol Anthony]-distracted and we lost (McNamara)."

After McNamara's shot, the Irish came right back and put the ball in the hands of their senior leader. Matt Carroll drove the lane looking for a foul but his shot was partially blocked. Syracuse forward Hakim Warrick threw the ball straight into the air, thinking the game was over, but six seconds remained.

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- **Friday:** Notre Dame 3
- **Bowling Green** 2

**SMC BASKETBALL**

- **Calvin** 60
- **Saint Mary's 48**

On senior day at Angela Athletic Facility, the Belles dropped their 11th straight contest.

**SMC SWIMMING**

- **MIAA Tournament**

The Belles finished in sixth place in the MIAA tournament held this past weekend.

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**SPORTS**

Monday, February 17, 2003