Keough freshman remembered in dorm mass

Friends, classmates honor Kish's memory

By CLAIRE HEININGER

Dan Kish, the 19-year-old Notre Dame freshman who died early Saturday morning from heart surgery complications, was living on "borrowed time."

But he made the most of a life that he knew could be short, Keough rector Father Peter Jarret said during a memorial Mass held for Kish in the dorm's chapel Tuesday night.

"Coming to Notre Dame was probably a risk" for Kish, who received a heart transplant when he was a sophomore at Penn High School in Mishawaka and knew he would soon need another, Jarret said. But in Kish's mind, it was a risk worth taking.

Living in a cocoon probably would have been easier, but Dan didn't want to do that," Jarret said. Instead, he came to the campus and in the U.S. and why it is important hall.

Father Peter Jarret celebrates mass in memory of Dan Kish in the Keough Chapel Tuesday evening. Kish, a Notre Dame freshman and Keough resident, died Jan. 14 from heart surgery complications.

Students buy texts on Internet

Lower prices, resale opportunities draw students from bookstore

By JOHN EVERETT

Grumblings about the prices of textbooks at the campus bookstores at Notre Dame and Saint Mary's are so common they are deemed cliché.

This semester, many students continue to turn to growing numbers of Internet sites in search of better deals. The impact of online book retailing on campus textbook sales remains unclear.

Hammes Notre Dame Bookstore director Sally Wiatrowski knows online sites are becoming increasingly popular, but believes the bookstore is competitive.

"We search for used books first and have the buyback program to pass savings along to the students and remain price-competitive," Wiatrowski said.

Wiatrowski credited the rise of online sales to students' Internet savvy. She also noted new textbook prices are set by publishers who are publishing new editions to undercut the used-book market.

Saint Mary's Bookstore director Mike Hicks recognizes the competition and is interested in getting the students the books they need at a reasonable price.

"Some books are over-priced, and when that happens we'll recommend students to look for a better price, but students have to realize that online they may not get the right book, especially when a new edition comes out," he said.

Both directors stressed the importance of faculty in the textbook buying process, stating the sooner professors tell the stores which materials students will need for their classes, the better it will be for the students.

"We have to facilitate the faculty, and order the books the professors want," Hicks said.

Professor Sara Maurer, of the English department, said she understands how costly books can be, and always tries to take that into consideration.

SMC increases efforts to meet enrollment goals

By MEGAN O'NEIL

After disappointing admissions numbers in 2004, Saint Mary's College is back on course this year and close to reaching its recruitment goal of 1,000 applicants.

The numbers thus far are consistent with past years but the applicant pool itself is stronger than in 2004, said Mona Bowe, interim director of admissions. SAT and ACT scores have risen compared to those of last year's applicants.

"We already have 700 applicants, and our goal is 1,000," Bowe said. "But we are well on our way already."

Though admissions officers are waiting for applications from students who will apply to Saint Mary's regardless of recruiting efforts, Bowe said they are also pursuing students who may not have considered Saint Mary's one of their top choices.

"Probably one of the biggest things we are doing is that we are sending a second application mailing," said Bowe.

Saint Mary's is sending out 7,000 applications to high school students in the next couple of weeks. The Saint Mary's marketing department paid for the rights to reproduce a Nov. 1 Chicago Tribune article featuring success story alumnae Diane Aligot, the treasurer of Ann Corp., which will accompany the applications.

Recruitment has always been a concern for the small women's college. However, the drop in the size of this year's freshmen class, by about 50 students, has caused even more worry.

College President Carol Mooney cited raising the national profile of the college and improving recruiting techniques as some of her goals.

The Saint Mary's admissions office has responded to an ever-changing recruiting arena by making changes to its strategy.

One of the most notable is the addition of the Virag, a virtual online magazine sent to prospective students.

Panel discusses racial issues

By PETER LEAHY

The life of Martin Luther King Jr. was celebrated at the Coleman-Morse Center Tuesday in the Town Hall meeting entitled "And Still We Rise - Remembering is Not Enough."

Led by Richard Pierce, assistant director of African American Studies, Notre Dame students joined in the open forum to discuss issues that King was passionate about. Topics ranged from the impact and reasons for stereotypes, diversity on campus and in the U.S. and why it seems like people of the same races sit together at the dining hall.

Students noted that stereotypes are an integral part of human nature, a way for people to see KING/page 4

PHOTOGRAPHER/The Observer

Panellists Colleen Case, Melissa Hentges and Richard Pierce reflect on civil rights leader Martin Luther King Jr.
It's time to finally let go. Recently, I lost something that was a part of my life, but, after nearly two months of searching, worrying and sleepless nights, I think saying goodbye is the only thing left for me to do.

Two weeks before Christmas, my Black Pacific Cyclone, the bicycle I had had since sixth grade, went missing.

Although this loss meant that I had no speedy campus travel and was forced to wake up 12 minutes earlier for class, a tragedy in itself, I was even more distraught about the only thing left for sleepless nights, I think saying applies to my case, but at the same time, it's comforting to think that perhaps one day I could be reunited with my old friend.

I can still remember the day it became mine. For my birthday, my mom took me to K-Mart to pick out a bicycle, and there it was, destiny.

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So please, if you see the bike that must have been going through. Thinking about it wandering about all alone on our cold campus or, worse yet, chained to some God-for-sakes lampost without access to any maintenance and abandoned by everything it's ever known tore at my heart. Like a boy who had lost his pet, I immediately hit the pavement, searching out the spots on our familiar campus that we used to frequent together, but my bike was nowhere to be found.

There's an old saying, "if you love something, set it free. If it comes back to you, it's yours; if not, it never was." Because what I set free is a bicycle and not a living being of any kind, I don't think that saying applies to my case, but at the same time, it's comforting to think that perhaps one day I could be reunited with my old friend.

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Online registration successful at College

By APRIL THOMAS

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Leahman Hall's Stapleton Lounge sat dark and empty Jan. 13, where students once lined up to officially reaffirm their presences at Saint Mary's College.

For the second consecutive semester, students were asked to enroll and update addresses through the same secure online program — PRISM — also used to access course grades and financial aid information.

Saint Mary's College Registrar Lorraine Kitchner said the switch to online enrollment was a move toward greater student convenience.

"Students can register any time, from any computer," she said.

Provided students enroll within the given one-week time frame, they don't have to be present on campus to proclaim their attendance.

"We want to make it easier on students," Kitchner said. The increased convenience, though, has not affected the number of students who miss the deadline, but Kitchner remains optimistic.

"We have always had to track students down anyway," Kitchner said.

This year, many of those who experienced problems had misplaced their PIN numbers to access the PRISM system. As with the prior enrollment method, timely completion is vital for students' recognition with the National Student Clearinghouse for loan deferment.

"To protect students, encourage cooperation and aid the Registrar's office, penalties will be charged to late enrollees," she said.

"After Jan. 19, a student will be assessed $25 fee and dropped from all classes until she enrolls in person," Kitchner said. "Waiting too long to enroll risks students' standing with loans."

Meanwhile, students like Saint Mary's junior Jen Hanlon will continue to enjoy the new freedoms online enrollment can bring.

"This past semester it actually allowed me to go down to Indiana University to visit a friend for her birthday and not have to be back until Monday," Hanlon said.

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Farley Hall redecorates TLC style

Pop Farley week kicks off with 'Trading Spaces' in dorm bathrooms

By TRICIA DE GROOT

News Writer

Inspired by the Learning Channel's hit show Trading Spares, Farley's Finest decided to kick off their signature Pop Farley week with their very own, "Farley Hall Trading Spaces."

"With only $200 to spend, a lot of energy went into price-comparison and thinking creatively," Allison Traynham, resident assistant said.

Each section was given a budget of $200 to decorate the other section's bathroom on its floor, and the winner for the best renovation was announced Sunday at mass.

Current sophomore Paige Hamilton suggested the idea as a way to bring the dorm together and make the bathrooms a little more decorative.

"I got the idea when in the bathroom one day and realized how depressing they were," Hamilton said. I thought walking into a happy bathroom would make your day, and I thought it would be something the girls could do together."

Sophomore Elizabeth Cuda, Farley's dorm improvement commissioner, suggested the idea again this year at a hall council meeting. After dorm approval, rules and deadlines for the competition were set up.

Each section had to submit their plans before the winter break, remain within the $200 budget, use only latex paint, complete a nice, neat job and clean up its respective bathroom afterwards.

The bathrooms hadn't been painted in over 12 years and the dorm decided to tap into funds left by former resident Patti Kwiat, who was killed in the TWA flight 800 crash in July 1996, to spruce up their dorm.

"People are used to exceeding academically and athletically, but this required a whole different set of skills," Farley rectress Sister Carrie Etheridge said. "It was nice to give a vehicle for other people to express themselves."

Each section was given money before the Christmas holiday so they could take advantage of after Christmas sales and bring back to campus with them. However, the budget was still one of the biggest challenges for the girls.

"With only $200 to spend, a lot of energy went into price-comparison and thinking creatively," resident assistant Allison Traynham, leader of the winning "Zen Sanctuary" bathroom, said.

In true "Trading Spares" style, the girls had to move out of their section bathrooms and were given from 6 p.m. Friday until 6 a.m. Sunday to complete the project.

"I asked everyone to work a two-hour shift, but some of them put in over eight hours of time," Traynham said. "With the right attitude, motivation and lots of planning, a project like this is going to be successful."

The event was concluded with an open house from 6 to 10 p.m. Sunday night where the girls could tour all of the bathrooms and enjoy food and refreshments.

"The event seemed to really bring everyone together," Uda said.

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Students of both majority and minority backgrounds voiced their opinions on diversity within America and at the University, many noting that Notre Dame is lacking in diversity.

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Richard Pierce professor

Pierce noted that he consistently sees the racial separation in the dining hall and in other places on campus. "You find these clusters of people sitting together almost by ethnic groups," he said. Pierce drew on the words of Angela Davis, a major figure in the women's right movement who said, "We all may live in the same house but sometimes you just need to go to your own room." Pierce quoted.

Minority students supported the "black table" by saying that sitting there is more about being comfortable, rather than about race. One girl, who said she is the only black student in most of her classes, argued that it is comforting to go to the dining hall and be with other blacks.

Other minority students added the same practices exist on one corner of the hall. "Any minority students reflected on the lack of diversity and the desire of minority students to be embraced on campus. One student said that, for her, this void was filled when she founded a Notre Dame club supporting black women called Shades of Ebony.

Also discussed was the issue of the "black table" in the luncheonroom.

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**INTERNATIONAL NEWS**

Abbas visits the Gaza Strip

Gaza City, Gaza Strip — In the biggest test of his brief tenure, Palestinian leader Mahmoud Abbas was to come to the Gaza Strip on Tuesday, hoping to persuade militants to halt attacks, according to a defense source. A Palestinian suicide bomber blew himself up on a settler road in Gaza, killing an Israeli security agent and wounding seven other Israelis.

The Islamic militant group Hamas claimed responsibility for the first suicide bombing against an Israeli target since Nov. 1. But in the bombing, the Hamas Prime Minister Ariel Sharon warned his patience was running thin, telling military commanders the army must deal with rocket and mortar attacks against Israelis “at the earliest possible stage.”

Indian-Pakistani tensions increase

NEW DELHI — Pakistan accused Indian officials Tuesday of firing mortar shells across the dividing line in Kashmir in the first violation of a cease-fire agreement between the South Asian nuclear-armed rivals. The cease-fire was the longest since an insurgent campaign in the divided Himalayan province began in 1989. Both countries claim the main Himalayan region, which is divided in its entirety and have fought two wars over it.

A senior army official said there were no casualties on the Indian side, and Indian troops had not retaliated. “It certainly is a violation of the cease-fire. This is the first time this has happened. We have exercised full restraint,” Maj. Gen. Deepak Nimmannaw told the private NDTV news channel. “Seven to eight rounds of mortars were fired. All our patrols ... have not been alerted.”

**NATIONAL NEWS**

Oil businessman pleads guilty

WASHINGTON — An Iraqi-American businessman, accused of pocketing millions of dollars through the U.N. oil-for-food program with Iraq, pleaded guilty Tuesday to acting as an illegal agent of Saddam Hussein’s government.

Samir A. Vincent, 64, a naturalized U.S. citizen living in Virginia, was the first person to be charged in the Justice Department’s investigation of the program, in which U.N. audits have shown was badly mismanaged.

The Bush administration ordered the program from 1996 to 2003 as a way for Iraq’s oil riches to benefit its people, who were suffering from economic sanctions imposed on Saddam’s regime following its 1990 invasion of Kuwait.

Priest faces fewer accusers

CAMBRIDGE, Mass. — Prosecutors formally dropped an accuser from the criminal case against defrocked priest Paul Shanley, leaving just one alleged victim in the trial that began Tuesday for one of the most notorious figures in the clergy sex abuse scandal.

Prosecutors already had dropped two other accusers from the case, and removed the third because there had been insufficient proof to find him since a hearing in October when he had difficulty remaining composed to testify. The move to drop him from the case was widely expected.

**LOCAL NEWS**

Indiana factory set to shutdown

ROUND ROCK, Texas DuPont Photonics Inc., one of the world’s leaders of photomasks for the computer-chip industry, Tuesday said it will cut about 100 jobs at its factory in Kokomo, Ind., as it moves to close a photomask factory in Indiana in an effort to save money.

The plant, in Kokomo, Ind., is DuPont Photonics’ oldest factory. The company expects it to shut down in the quarter ending June 30.

**Rice faces Senators’ questions**

**ND grad testifies in her nomination hearing at the Senate Foreign Relations Committee**

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Several State-nominee Condoleezza Rice gave no ground in Senate confirmation questioning Tuesday over War’s intentions, insisting the United States was Syria’s ally in its war and afterward refusing to give a timetable for U.S. troops to come home.

An American exit strategy, she said, was to defend itself against ter orists after this month’s elections, she said.

Rice seemed headed for an easy confirmation by the Senate as President Bush’s choice to be the country’s top diplomat. She did have a tense exchange with Sen. Barbara Boxer, D-Calif., Rice repeatedly asked the senator not to question her truthfulness but former presidential nominee John Kerry, D-Mass., the only member of the Foreign Relations Committee who told her she might not win his vote.

“Things are going to be easy,” Rice said of the war and its aftermath during a confirmation hearing in which she painted an optimistic picture of the future in Iraq and for resolution of the long conflict between Israel and the Palestinians as well.

“It was always going to have its ups and downs. I’m sure that we have made many mistakes, some of which were good, some of which might not have been good, but the outside world which Saddam Hussein was worth it,” Rice told the panel. “I think we made the right decision to overthrow him.”

Rice said the administration’s actions after the Sept. 11, 2001, terror attacks including the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq were “difficult and necessary and right.”

Asked whether, with hindsight, the United States should have committed more troops to Iraq, Rice said that despite “some unforeseen circumstances” she was satisfied with the numbers. As for U.S. troops leaving, she said in response to forceful questioning from Republican Sen. Chuck Hagel of Nebraska, “Our role is directly proportional to how capable the Iraqis are.”

“I am really reluctant to try to put a timeline on that, because I think the goal is to get the mission accomplished and that means that the Iraqis have to be capable of some things before we lessen our own responsibility,” she said.

She pledged to work to improve ties that were frayed with some allies by U.S. policy.

If confirmed Rice, 50, would be the first black woman to lead the State Department. She would replace the popular Colin Powell as America’s most visible face abroad. As White House national security adviser for the past four years, Rice was Bush’s most trusted foreign affairs adviser and a main architect of policies in Iraq, Europe and elsewhere.

She said of the Iraq invasion almost two years ago, “We did meet with some unforeseen circumstances, most importantly as we swept our own responsibility,” she said.

Rice said spreading democracy through the Middle East remains a top administration objective.

**Supreme Court rejects terror case**

Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court, on Tuesday morning, ended the legal limbo of hundreds of terror suspects in a U.S. military prison in Cuba, deciding on Tuesday in a question over whether the Bush administration is trying to shortcut defendants’ rights by holding a type of military trial last used during World War II.

A federal judge ruled last fall that Salim Ahmed Hamdan and others put on trial at the Guantanamo Bay Naval Base should be allowed to confront witnesses and see evidence against them, which are standard under military justice rules but are not guaranteed to detainees.

The Supreme Court rejected the case Tuesday, which was not surprising because on an appeals court also is considering the issue and has scheduled arguments March 8.

In addition, the court heard three significant terrorism cases last year and was not expected to take an another big one so soon.

It was a minor victory for the government, which was ordered by the Supreme Court last year to give detainees in the United States and Cuba more legal rights.

Since those landmark decisions, lawsuits have been filed in Washington on behalf of dozens of detainees claiming they are being wrongfully held.
Daniels delivers first State of State address

Governor proposes temporary tax increase

Associated Press

INDIANAPOLIS — Saying that an "embarrassment" was in "ruin and in desperate need of a "fiscal repair job," Gov. Mitch Daniels on Tuesday proposed temporarily increasing income taxes for general spending and freezing property tax relief payments and denying overall spending increases to schools, universities and prisons.

Daniels, sworn in last week as the state's first Republican governor in 16 years, said he had a constitutional duty to balance the state's pocketbook. He said his proposals would erase Indiana's $600 million annual budget deficit.

"Without bold and difficult action now, the lines of spending and income will never cross," Daniels said in his first speech as governor. "It falls on the state's flat 3.4 percent GDP growth for the first time in eight years. But the GDP's two leading indicators — the current $290 million increase in income taxes for people earning more than $100,000, and cutting Medicaid costs by half. He said Daniels was looking past politics and was nowhere near counting votes.

"He's going to do whatever he believes is right for the state," Daniels said. "We're real to get some of our faculty on campus on a Sunday and to actually teach classes."

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Airbus CEO Noel Forgeard smiles during a press conference prior to the unveiling of the Airbus A380 passenger jet on Tuesday.

**Airbus reveals 800-passenger double-decker A380 as a new flagship Tuesday**

Associated Press

TOULOUSE, France — Airbus put its stamp on aviation history Tuesday, unveiling the world's largest commercial jet and raising the stakes in its 35-year rivalry with Boeing Co.

The double-decker A380 "superjumbo" can fly up to 800 passengers, gives the European plane maker a new flagship and completes its range of jets at a time when the airlines are trying to slash losing market share and reduce some production.

French President Jacques Chirac and other European leaders struck a triumphal note at the ceremony, hailing the A380 as a sign of Europe's capacity to preserve world-beating industries.

"It's a symbol of economic strength, technological innovation, the dedication of all those who work the force that built it and who won't admit to a confidence that we can compete and win in the global market," Britain's Prime Minister Tony Blair said.

But that the A380, which was partially funded by European governments, amounts to a huge bet that carriers need ever-bigger planes to process a growing numbers of passengers through the busiest hub airports.

Airbus is investing $13 billion to develop the plane, which has a list price of $290 million per aircraft and is scheduled for its first commercial flight in 2006.

If Airbus is right, the A380 could converge the once-competitive Boeing 747 superjumbo jet to history, deal a further blow to the Chicago-based company and leave Airbus with a monopoly in a lucrative and fast-growing market.

Boeing would need 10 years or more to develop a rival to the A380, industry experts say.

Sales forecasts promise to be too optimistic or the new plane's production costs soar, then the Airbus lead over Boeing in plane deliveries over the past two years could disappear.

Boeing sees a different future, one in which industr…
Chopra tackles world peace in new book

NEW YORK — It’s an image that is familiar to most people, the unflappable guru, Chopra — the steadfast optimism that has become Chopra’s trademark. This optimism is a product of a career of pursuing hope, earning an estimated $10 million, or possibly $5 million by selling 20 million copies of his 40 books and operating a successful wellness center in California.

His legions of fans include Dalia D’Olima, former Nobel laureates Desmond Tutu, Betty Williams and Oscar Arias, and former U.N. Secretary General Boutros Boutros-Ghali.

Chopra comes across as casual and approachable. During a recent interview in a lounge at his midtown Manhattan apartment building, he is dressed in a sweater and slacks and weighs a few pounds more than the average health expert.

He bases his image as an unfappable guru, Chopra — who’s about 58 and doesn’t remember exactly when he was born — says notoriety doesn’t faze him. He says he leads a normal family life with his wife, Rita, and has two grown children and a granddaughter.

"I don’t get drawn into the melodrama," he says. "I meditate two hours every day and exercise every day. Once in a while, I feel stressed, but not really. It’s part of my nature."

Another key to his success lies in his ability to make ancient Hindu teachings relevant to a contemporary audience, says Bawa Jain, secretary general of the World Council of Religious Leaders.

"There are great Indian teachers who know their scriptures in depth, but the way Deepak communicates, I don’t see anyone else having that ability," says Jain.

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Muslim pilgrims prepare for hajj
Hundreds of thousands stay in Saudi tent city before central rite

Associated Press

MINA, Saudi Arabia — Chanting, “Oh Allah I’m here,” hundreds of thousands of pilgrims draped in white streamed into this mammoth tent city for the right to prepare their minds and spirits for Wednesday's prayers at Mount Arafat, the central rite of the annual hajj.

Pilgrims participate in sunset prayers Tuesday at the huge tent city of Mina, Saudi Arabia where nearly 2 million pilgrims will spend the night before the main day of the annual Hajj pilgrimage.

When hundreds have been killed elaborating precautions, deploying Tuesday, Saudi authorities took Arafat, the central rite of the annual hajj. In fires and stampedes.

As the pilgrimage rituals began Tuesday, Saudi authorities took elaborate precautions, deploying 50,000 security forces to prevent the catastrophes of past years. The Cabinet member responsible for internal security urged fellow Sunni Arabs to thwart threats by Sunni extremists and vote in the Jan. 30 election, in which Iraqis will choose a 275-member National Assembly and regional legislatures. Otherwise, the minister warned, the country will slide into civil war.

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Two million people travel to Islam’s holiest sites in Saudi Arabia each year to participate in the hajj, which serves to wipe away accumulated sins. The pilgrimage is required of able-bodied Muslims at least once in a lifetime, if they can afford it. Pilgrims travel to the sites of Mecca, Mina, Arafat and Muzdalifah.

The pilgrims begin the rituals by circling the Kaaba, a large black stone structure in Mecca that Muslims face during their five daily prayers. They then spend a night in the tent city of Mina, and head the next day to pray at Mount Arafat, the central rite of the pilgrimage.

Mire than a million sheep have been imported for slaughter the day after the hajj to mark the beginning of Eid al-Adha, or the Feast of the Sacrifice.

An American soldier was killed Tuesday in a roadside bombing in Baghdad, and more foreigners were reported kidnapped, including Lebanese businessman Jebrail Adeeb Azar and eight Chinese construction workers. The Chinese were shown held hostage by pneumra claiming the captives worked for a company that deals with Americans. China’s official Xinhua News Agency said diplomats were “making all efforts to rescue” the hostages, who disappeared last week while traveling in Jordan.

The suicide driver detonated his vehicle after security guards stopped it at a checkpoint in front of offices of the Supreme Council for the Islamic Republic in Iraq, one of the major groups contesting the election. The Shiite party, known as SCIRI, has close ties to Iran and is strongly opposed by Sunni Muslim militants.

Iraqi police said the bomber and two others died and nine people were wounded, including three police. The blast pummeled a crater in the pavement, left several vehicles in flames and spread shredded debris on the street in the Jadriyah district.

"SCIRI will not be frightened by such an act," party spokesman Redha Jawad said. "SCIRI will continue the march toward building Iraq, establish ing justice and holding the elec tion.

Sunni Muslim militants, who make up the bulk of Iraq’s insurgent groups, have stepped up attacks on Shiites to frighten them into staying home on election day. Although many Sunni clerics and others oppose the election, Shiite leaders have told their followers that voting is their religious duty.

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The terror of our fathers

As the situation in Iraq grows increasingly bleak, mired by violent interchanges between Coalition forces and insurgents, a substantive peace seems farther and farther out of reach. Last week, Newsweek reported that Saddam officials have been discussing the possibility of the United States or Iran providing Saddam with nuclear contact. The tactic refers to the then-secret plan sponsored by the U.S. government under the Reagan administration to train and fund "death squads" in El Salvador during the 1980s to target opponents of the oppressive right-wing government. These "death squads" of the Salvadoran military carried out numerous crimes against humanity.

Under their regime of terror, Salvadoran death squads murdered, abducted and tortured tens of thousands of people. In 1980, as he celebrated mass, military snipers assassinated Archbishop Oscar Romero. Romero continually spoke out against the violence in his country, opposed U.S. military aid that fueled the terror, and reported human rights violations in his homilies. He said, "Peace is not the product of terror or fear. Peace is not the silent result of violent repression. Peace is the generous, tranquil contribution of all to the good of all." His message has been echoed to this day.

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QUOTE OF THE DAY

"Education is the best provision for the journey to old age."

Aristotle
LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Are you committed?

I am a graduate of both the law school (1998) and the Alliance for Catholic Education program (2004). I currently work as a seventh and eighth grade language arts teacher at Saint Anthony School in South Bend. Recently, while teaching the eighth graders an introduction to philosophy using the book "Sophie's World," I asked the students if they believed that the world could be evil. They responded by saying "yes," yet, when I asked them what they were doing to show their commitment to a better world, they had no answers. They could easily state how they did things every day to show their commitment to salvation, yet could not do the same for their commitment to creating a better world. When asked what was most important, a better world or being at a sport, they all immediately stated "a better world."

After this discussion, I discussed a few ways in which they could show their commitment. Some of the students came up with the idea of "Kuddles for Kids," a drive to return damaged stuffed animals to give to the children affected by the tsunami in Asia. Lately, we have been discussing what others could do to show their commitment, and we came up with another idea. This idea involves you, the student at Notre Dame: What if you were all to give up going out for just one Saturday. What if instead of going out and spending your money on that one Saturday, you instead gave it to an organization that would distribute it to those in need (for instance, giving to an organization that helps those affected by the tsunami).

Think of the amount you could raise in just one day! It only takes one student at Notre Dame to be committed to this idea and pass that commitment on to others for it to grow exponentially. If you think about it, it would not even be a stretch of faith if some of you were to consider this an act of mercy. If you think about it, it would not be a stretch of faith if some of you were to consider this an act of mercy.

Heath Weaver
Class of 1998, 2004
Jan. 18

U-WIRE

Decency is not so common anymore

One of my classes last semester was a survey of American fiction that showed me the process of evolution in the thought we think about the problems of society. Americans are a unique bunch when compared to the rest of the world. The last novel we studied was "Slaughter" by Kurt Vonnegut. Scholars categorize him as a "post-modern" writer because he challenges and deconstructs normal genres so that we can see the artificiality of the way we see ourselves and the problems we see ourselves as a society. Vonnegut issues a further challenge to us by saying there is not enough common decency in our distinctive society. I have to agree with him. I suppose the disadvantage of being older than most of my instructors is that I have become less tolerant of people and the rude, stupid things they do. I let myself get irritated with the groups who stand in the middle of the hallway between classes making everyone walk around them. Once, I actually said in a loud voice, "Unbelievable! All that education wasted on people who refuse to see they are the problem!" If ever anyone heard me, I probably should have said something to the effect of "highway etiquette" so that everybody can get to their destinations safely.

Instead of doing what I did above, the decent thing to do would have been to ask them calmly to move to the side and let the rest of us go where we need to go. The decent thing they could have done was to be aware of the others in the hall and not block the way. What I am describing here is a simply fact: none of us is the center of the universe and we should always act with that in mind. If we could all just be decent to each other, most of the problems of society would disappear.

Apply Vonnegut's postulate to driving in rush-hour traffic, one of my pet peeves. I tend to be aggressive, irritable and judgmental of all the other drivers. The professors at Georgia State University The signal expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily of The Observer.

Nick Meis
Georgia State University
The Signal

U-WIRE

No WMD? So what?

Saddam had a history of developing WMDs and would not disclose his involvement in illegal programs to the United Nations. Saddam said that he had no WMDs, but real people, real experts, really come and check it out — I'm clean," and the inspectors were allowed to do their job in Saddam's command center.

He used WMDs before, which means he had the will and capacity to deliver them again. Saddam had executed over 200,000 Iraqi citizens shortly before the 1991 Gulf War. Imagine if a Saddam-funded dirty bomb was detonated in the United States. It's a shame how liberals love to sacrifice dead Americans for self-incriminating Muslim terrorists.

The fact that we were not found in Iraq is a testament to American intelligence and resolve. In the global uprising against American values, we were diligent enough to stop the ring-leader before he could get started again. May we always have the courage to defend our great nation against Islamic terrorism, and at whatever cost.

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Heath Weaver
Class of 1998, 2004
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Staff Editorial

Georgetown University
The Hoyas

A new wave of anti-war activism

While the South Asian tsunami quickly took its toll and receded, the subsequent waves of grief and sympathy continue to surge across the globe. The widespread tragedy continues to affect our world and our community, and global-minded Georgetown students have responded with a noble and effective collaboration to offer an outlet for charitable giving and participation in one of the greatest times of need in our world's history.

A new inter-organizational movement is starting on campus to provide relief to those affected by the recent calamity, bringing together existing clubs and their members and using their collective energy and concern to focus on the common mission: Georgetown Unites for South Asia Aid's aims to create a forum for each club to cooperate on projects throughout the semester. This group sponsored its first fundraising and awareness-raising event at 4 p.m. Tuesday in Sellinger Lounge in a world fraught with man-made and natural disasters.

Georgetown is called on again and again to open itself to the suffering of others. The new committee offers a blueprint for partnership and efficiency in enlisting students' reactions to such events. At a time when campus groups often come into contention with each other and campus discourse can turn divisive, a precedent of cooperation and inclusiveness is a much-welcomed change.

The vast ramifications of last month's tsunami present a host of vital issues for discussion and exploration in Georgetown's classrooms. Georgetown prides itself on its international focus and tradition of charity and social justice, and the tsunami presents an ideal opportunity to put these ideas into practice and make a real difference in time when aid is needed most. Georgetown students should not be limited to working with each other on the relevant issues generated by this global tragedy.

While no amount of money or aid will ever fully relieve the pain and suffering that the tsunami has left behind, it is clear that the ability to mitigate some of this suffering by facing the disaster with open hearts and a united purpose.

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Windows to the outside

New exhibits in the Snite provide glimpses into the cultures of Vodou, East Tennessee and the American penal system

By MARIA SMITH
Scene Editor

The next time you aren't quite sure what to do with your hour break between classes, you may want to wander into the Snite Art Museum and take a look around. Turning into the entrance of the Snite, in the great hall of O'Shaughnessy, you'll give you a chance to see some interesting works and artifacts.

During the last two weeks the Snite has welcomed three new exhibits offering particularly unique cultural insights to students who take a few minutes, or even a few hours, to wander through the on-campus museum.

Haitian Vodou Arts

Vodou is one of the most famous religions to grow out of the dispersion of African cultures through the Western Hemisphere. It is often represented, and misrepresented, in popular culture. The Vodou flags and artifacts in this exhibit offer a real glimpse into this frequently misunderstood religion.

The flags, at least two of which are kept in every temple, are devoted to different "lwas" or deities, of the religion. The men, women and symbols representing deities are depicted in colorful beadwork and sequins, as well as braiding and occasional chromolithographs used for the faces of the deities.

The flags also show cultural overlap between the cultures of Vodou, Catholic and Voodoo. The images might be familiar to anyone who has driven through that sort of back-country and small towns of any state. Smith captures the sort of things that give many places in America their character, but that people might not commonly remember they noticed in passing through the place.

"When I'm driving along, if I find myself turning my head to keep looking at something, I know it's time to stop the car and get out my camera," he recently explained in a press release.

Art From the Inside

It isn't often you can get a glimpse into a life different from your own.

"Art From the Inside: Drawing ("Panos") by Chicano Prisoners" is a sample of almost 120 drawings on handkerchiefs created by Chicano prisoners in jails and penitentiaries in the American Southwest. The drawings take the form of messages to parents and loved ones outside the prison, prayers or personal narratives, each telling a different story.

The tradition of the drawings dates back to the reign of Mexico of the Austrian emperor Maximillian; French soldiers and bureaucrats imprisoned in Mexico sometimes sent letters and drawings on handkerchiefs back overseas. The tradition inspired their fellow Mexican prisoners, and the practice spread through the penal system. The tradition is important to many prisoners, who use the drawings as an outlet for their innermost thoughts and many cherished images. The drawings create their stories through images that vary from the Aztec calendar stone to the Virgin of Guadalupe to the past loves of one prisoner's life.

Many earlier "panos" were drawn on bed sheets and other linens with fountain pens in the 1950s and '60s, if discovered, the prisoners were punished for doing the drawings. Nowadays the drawing of "panos" is more easily facilitated, with lined cloths and ballpoint pens being sold to many prisoners, a practice that began in the 1980s. Most of the "panos" that are in the display are from the 1990s.

"Art From the Inside: Drawing ("Panos") by Chicano Prisoners" will be open until Feb. 27. "Haitian Vodou Arts" will be on exhibit until March 6. "You're Not From Around Here: Photographs of East Tennessee" will be open until March 13.

The opening reception for the winter exhibitions will be held on Sunday beginning at 2 p.m. Smith will give a lecture on his exhibit, followed by gallery talks from Douglas E.Bradely, curator of the Arts of the Americas, Africa and Oceania.

The Snite Museum of Art is free and open to the public.

Much of the "Art From the Inside" exhibit consists of pen drawn handkerchiefs, but some pieces, such as "Erzulie Freda Banner, ca. 1970," are composed of sequins.

"Blountville, TN 2003," pictured above, is just one of the many colored photographs by Mike Smith in the "You're Not From Around Here" exhibit at the Snite Art Museum.

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New venue ushers in new era

16th annual Notre Dame Student Film Festival premieres in the Browning Cinema

By CHRIS KEPNER
Scene Civic

Thursday will kick off the 16th annual Notre Dame Film Festival. Showing for the first time in the state-of-the-art Browning Cinema inside the DeBartolo Center for the Performing Arts, this year promises to take the already much revered event to even new heights in popularity.

The Festival will make its longest run in history in 2005, with 12 screenings between Thursday and Jan. 26. Shows are at 7 p.m. and 10 p.m. every night except Sunday, when there will be no screenings.

Tickets are $3 for Notre Dame students, $5 for Notre Dame faculty and staff and $6 for the general public. They can be purchased in advance at the Performing Arts Center Box Office. Past festivals have sold out, and with the now venue in the mix it would be no surprise if this year’s did as well.

Eighteen short student films are being featured, but to see all of them you’ll need to go to two separate screenings. Eight of the films are on the block at every screening, with the other 10 split between the 7 p.m. and 10 p.m. shows. Pull out the old scientific calculator and you’ll realize that’s 13 films per screening. For $3, how can you go wrong?

All the films are the work of the talented and incredibly creative students in the department of film, television and theatre. They were made as projects for class during the past year. You’ll see a good mix of serious and humorous films at this year’s Student Film Festival.

“Ellen, Sara, Shaun & the Rest of Us,” a film by Sarah Cunningham and Ernie Grigg about a bar in Pittsburgh that uses a midget as an attraction to bring people in on Monday nights. “Piston Envy” is a hilarious documentary on auto shows in Mishawaka by filmmakers Monika Mehlmann and Bailey Ertel.

On the more serious and introspective side, Hattie Tim gives us a film called “Near the Equator,” which “explores a relationship between two friends and takes the audience with them on their journey which is not quite ready to end.” From Deacon Bruno comes “Dissolve,” a film that follows a man as he visits his childhood homes.

The first Notre Dame Student Film Festival was held in the basement of McKenna Hall, for an audience of 75 people. The next year it was moved to the Sute Museum of Art, where it remained until the renovation of the Carey Auditorium inside Hesburgh Library a few years back.

The completion of the DeBartolo Center has ushered in a new era for the festival and the entire FTT department. The number of FTT majors has gone from 150 to 215 in one year — a 43 percent increase.

The Browning Cinema boasts THX certified sound and stadium seating. The venue is a drastic improvement from the Carey Auditorium.

“It’s the real thing,” said Ted Mandelli, a member of the film and video production faculty. “Our students will get to see their films shown in a state-of-the-art motion picture cinema for the first time and it’s very exciting.”

While the Browning Cinema only seats 200 compared to the Carey Auditorium’s 263, the additional screenings offered will actually allow more people to see the Festival this year than last. A little over 2,000 attended the 15th annual Notre Dame Student Film Festival, while around 2,400 are expected to enjoy the films this year.

Another huge advantage of the new venue is concessions. Like other movie theaters, the Browning Cinema offers popcorn, soda and other treats to munch on while you watch the hard work of fellow Notre Dame students on the silver screen.

The 2005 Student Film Festival promises to be a memorable occasion. Tickets are on sale now and will probably sell out quickly.

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Cruisin’ the McKinley strip in Mishawaka is all about cars in “Piston Envy,” directed by Monika Mehlmann and Bailey Ertel.

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Julia Dickinson plays a disgruntled low-wage worker in “Class Rage,” directed by Kateri McCarthy and Spider Kwok.

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Sean Vinck and faculty member Wendy Arons star in Deacon Bruno’s film “Dissolve.”
Florida State breaks off No. 3 Wake Forest

Associated Press

TALLAHASSEE, Fla. — What a 7-0 first-half run was for Florida State was just a prelude to a 91-83 victory over Wake Forest on Saturday night.

The defending Atlantic Coast Conference champs, who are still looking for consistency, took up the slack after Wake Forest's Todd Galloway drenched against Wake Forest's Chris Paul in the Seminoles' 91-83 overtime win.

Wake Forest (15-2, 4-1 Atlantic Coast Conference) allowed just three A&M players to score in double figures.

Wichita State's Todd Galloway drenched against Wake Forest's Chris Paul in the Seminoles' 91-83 overtime win.

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Tallahassee, Fla. — After making an NCAA-record 50 consecutive free throws, Wake Forest's top free throw shooter missed — with the ball tied at 76 and 4 seconds left.

And Florida State didn't give the Demon Deacons another chance — winning 91-83 in overtime.

Wake Forest's 30 straight free throws, Wake Forest's top free throw shooter missed — with the ball tied at 76 and 4 seconds left.

But Taron Downey missed after being fouled while making a desperation 3-pointer.

Downey was surprised that Florida State's Ralph Mims was whistled for the foul. "Well, it was kind of a let's see it, my hand, Downey said. "But you know, it happens like that sometimes."

Wake Forest (15-2, 4-1 Atlantic Coast Conference) made 32 straight Saturday in a 91-83 win over North Carolina and the Seminoles' first overtime victory since winning 16 in a row.

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Roddick, Hewitt advance to second round

**Federer in position to bring home third straight Grand Slam**

Associated Press

**MELBOURNE, Australia** - Andy Roddick and Lleyton Hewitt had little trouble winning in the first round of the Australian Open, starting their bids to stop Roger Federer from winning a third straight Grand Slam.

Second-ranked Roddick spent a set figuring out how to handle left-handed Georgian Irakli Labadze before sweeping to a 7-5, 6-2, 6-1 win Tuesday. Hewitt got progressively more pumped in a 6-3, 6-4, 6-1 win over Arnaud Clement, his third win against the Frenchman in as many weeks.

Hewitt lost three times to Federer in majors last season, including the final of the U.S. Open. He also lost in the final at the season-ending Masters Cup. Federer won three Slams in 2004, including the year's last two: Wimbledon and the U.S. Open.

Despite losing his last six matches against Federer, Hewitt's record (17-8) is better against the 23-year-old Swiss, who started the tournament as No. 3. Hewitt also leads Roddick 4-1.

**With Roger playing the way he has, he definitely deserves all the spotlight... I just try to go business as usual.**

Andy Roddick
tennis player

**Rodruck, Hewitt win first matches at Australian Open**

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League officials to meet in Chicago for talks

After 125 days without professional hockey, last-resort meeting could save the season despite late start for players

Associated Press

NEW YORK — With nothing to lose but the rest of the hockey season, Vancouver Canucks forward Trevor Linden thought his idea was worth a shot:

Get together a small group of negotiators from NHL management and the players’ union and try to find some middle ground that would jump-start talks toward ending the 125-day lockout.

That is, try to do what previous, more formal negotiations couldn’t.

So on Wednesday, six people — three from each side — will meet in Chicago for this very purpose. Failure to produce even some movement, likely will signal the end of any hopes that the season can be saved.

Through Tuesday, 655 of the 1,230 regular-season games were canceled as was next month’s All-Star game.

“I don’t think [Wednesday] is necessarily the last chance,” Bill Daly, the NHL’s chief legal officer told The Associated Press on Tuesday. “I do think we’re in a critical period, there is no doubt about it. I think we not only need to make progress but move toward a resolution and come to a resolution very soon in order for there to be hockey to be played this season.”

What’s more interesting about the meeting is who won’t be present.

Linden reached out to the league by inviting Harley Hotchkiss, the chairman of the NHL board of governors, to sit down and talk without NHL commissioner Gary Bettman and union head Bob Goodenow in the room.

“I think the dynamic of having Trevor Linden there with Harley Hotchkiss will be a new dynamic but I don’t think it’s atypical or abnormal at all for these types of discussions to be occurring,” Daly said.

Linden didn’t immediately return several phone messages left for him.

Daly will join Hotchkiss, a Calgary Flames part-owner, and outside counsel Bob Bittner in representing the NHL; Linden, NHL senior director Ted Saskin, and outside counsel John McCormidge will take part for the players.

Linden isn’t bringing a new proposal with him and he isn’t looking for great attention. It wasn’t until late Tuesday that word filtered out that the meeting would take place in Chicago.

Saskin said the players won’t present a new proposal Wednesday but added that the union is “committed to reaching a fair deal that does not include a salary cap.”

Daly has maintained that the owners aren’t prepared to make a new offer, either, since they put forth the last one.

“Nothing has changed at this point,” Daly said. “A lot will depend now as to what happens tomorrow whether that changes the dynamics in any material way.”

There have been no talks since Dec. 14. It was then that the sides sat down for the second time in six days after not meeting for three months, but any optimism was lost quickly.

The players presented a proposal that offered an immediate 24 percent rollback on all existing contracts, but since it didn’t provide cost certainty it was rejected by the owners.

A counterproposal was then presented by the NHL. Once the players’ association saw that the offer included a salary cap, it was turned down immediately.

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Don’t Let the Semester Slip Away

by FR. RICHARD WARNER, CSC
Director of Campus Ministry

Now that the busy fall semester is behind us, and winter has settled in, we have a chance at the beginning of the semester to set some priorities for ourselves for the rest of the academic year. While the temptation may be great to stay in the residence halls or our off-campus apartments as much as possible, at least during the week, this really is a good time to get around to things that may have been on your “to do” list for a long time. We have a sense that the spring semester can really drap on, and anyone who has spent time on campus knows what the “forty days of February” can be like.

But Lent is just three weeks away, the work is already piling up, and after Spring break and Easter, the semester will rush to a close as it always does.

Notre Dame offers all its students many opportunities to develop and strengthen their spiritual lives. There are few places where more possibilities are available, and no place where young people take their Christian faith more seriously than they do here.

This semester, Campus Ministry offers a wide array of retreats, from our traditional ones such as the NDE and the Freshmen Retreat, to special theme designed especially for different groups. These retreats include offerings for Senior ROTC cadets and midshipmen, the Women’s Retreat, the Man’s Weekend, the Senior Service Retreat, and a weekend for gay and lesbian students and their friends, to mention just a few.

Intercampus Theology on Tap will return January 26 for six more sessions and Four7 (Christian Music & Prayer) begins again every Wednesday night at 10:00 p.m. Emmaus groups will continue to form and meet. Campus Bible Study, on Matthew’s Gospel, is back, and will take place every Tuesday night beginning January 25 in 316 Coleman-Morse with time for discussion and fellowship.

Any member of our staff would be happy to speak with you personally about these programs. We have lists of experienced men and women who serve as spiritual directors.

But please do not let the first weeks of the semester slip away, as you know they have a tendency to do. Notre Dame is a community of scholars and a community of believers. Take advantage of the best chance you may ever have to deepen your love for God in ways that will strengthen your faith and make your time under the Dome that much more worthwhile.

Spring break will be here before you know it! And that may well mark the beginning of the end of academic year 2004-2005.

You may have noticed that our page has a new look. Our “FaithPoint” pages feature a calendar of Campus Ministry events for the week, a portrait of faith-filled student leaders we will highlight, and a “Q & A” section on Catholic teaching, in addition to the readings for the Sunday Masses. We’ll be using this Considerations column to offer pastoral reflections on current events.

**FaithPoint**

**What's Up?**

**TODAY, 1/19**

*Four7 (see above)*
*St. Ejido Prayer Community* (5:30pm, Log Chapel)

**THURSDAY, 1/20**

*Sign-ups start for NDE #85* (Applications due 1/31)
*Taize Prayer Service* (7-7:45pm Levas Chapel)

**FRIDAY, 1/21**

*MBA Retreat (1/21-22)*
*Asian-American Student Retreat* (1/21-23 at Epworth Forest Camp)
*Freshman Retreat Applications due (retreat is 1/26-29)*

**SATURDAY, 1/22**

*Vigil Mass (5pm, Basilica)*
*Solemn Mass of the Blessed Virgin Mary (9am, Alumni Chapel)*

**SUNDAY, 1/23**

*10:00am Mass (Basilica)*
*11:45am Mass (Basilica)*
*Spanish Mass (1:30pm, St. Ed’s)*
*Law School Mass* (5pm, Law School Chapel)
*MBMA Mass* (7pm, Mendoza Faculty Lounge)

**MONDAY, 1/24**

*JPW Lector Auditions* (4-5pm Basilica)
*Eucharistic Adoration* Every Monday-Thurs (12-7pm, COMO Chapel)

**TUESDAY, 1/25**

*JPW Lector Auditions* (4-5pm Basilica)
*Bible Study (see above)*

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**LIVE IT!!!**

All across campus, ND students are living out their faith. Teams of students sing their hearts out in the Basilica and in the dorms, prepare and lead Campus Ministry retreats, share in small Emmaus groups, and set a great example for all of us.

We’ve all been touched by the example of somebody who confidently lives out his or her call as a Christian. Starting next week, this section will introduce you to different ND student leaders of faith.

**Let us know who out there is making a difference!**

Send nominations to Schuster.13@nd.edu!

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**Catholic Q&A**

**What’s the deal with prayer to Mary & the Saints? Can we just do directly to God?**

Intercessory prayer, such as that directed toward Mary and the saints, is probably something you’ve experienced often without even realizing it. Anytime we ask someone to pray for us, we are actually asking that person to intercede to God on our behalf. And when you promise to pray for someone, you basically promise to remember that person in your own prayers to God. In both cases, we would assume (and hope!) that the person making the request for prayers is indeed already praying to God for that specific intention or concern. Our prayers, then, act only as further petition to God on behalf of the other person; they do not replace the Christian’s personal prayer to God. In a similar way, prayers to Mary & the saints (our brothers and sisters in Christ) are always directed at asking them to pray for us, as is true in the most famous of intercessory prayers, the Hail Mary: “Holy Mary...pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death!”

These intercessory prayers are never meant to be seen as worship of Mary or the Saints through belief in the Communion of Saints (as professed in the great ecumenical Apostles’ Creed), we understand that the mystical Body of Christ, the Church, is comprised of all the faithful living on earth or already united to God in heaven following their earthly death. Since Christians have always seen the value of the prayers of the righteous (cf. James 5:16), how much more valuable then are the prayers of those who are very much alive in Jesus Christ, those with God in heaven?

If we are indeed one Christian community, whether on earth or in heaven, then we should feel free to ask all our friends, whether on earth or in heaven, to remember us in their own prayers to God as well!

Send your questions to Perkins.26@nd.edu!
BIG EAST BASKETBALL

St. John’s upsets Pitt in 65-62 underdog victory

Orange men hold off Hoyas in overtime

Associated Press
NEW YORK — The list of why St. John’s 65-62 victory over No. 21 Pittsburgh on Tuesday night was big was a long one.

From it being the first Big East win for first-year coach Norm Roberts to it snapping a three-game losing streak of which the last two were close ones. From it lifting the Red Storm better last season’s win total to it being one where they lost a big lead but found a way to pull it out in the final 25 seconds.

From the postgame celebration on the court to the giddiness in the locker room later, it was big.

"It was a terrific basketball game and it was one I think our players really deserved to win based on what they did the last two weeks," Roberts said. "We’ve been coming close but coming up short. Tonight, for Pittsburgh, the ball bounced off the rim instead of going in. We never gave up even when things didn’t go right for us."

Darryl Hill scored 26 points, including three free throws in the final 25 seconds, for St. John’s, which has won eight of its last 10 against Pittsburgh, opened the second half with a 16-6 run to take a 52-41 lead with 13:37 to play.

That’s when the Red Storm started to struggle against Pittsburgh’s 2-3 zone. The Red Storm went 8:18 without a field goal and the Panthers went on a 15-2 run to take a 56-54 lead with 6:08 left.

Lamont Hamilton broke the cold with a left-handed 3-pointer with 5:15 to play, tying it at 56.

"Give them credit. They did a great job with the zone of making it tough for our big guys to pass it out, with our guards getting a little frustrated trying to make something happen," Roberts said. "We stayed strong. When we had to get stops we got stops."

Krauser made two free throws with 1:39 to go to give Pittsburgh a 62-59 lead, and the Red Storm tied it for the last time on a three-point play, by Dexter Gray with 48 seconds left. Those were Gray’s only points of the game.

Hill and Gray double-teamed Krauser into a turnover on the next possession and Hill was fouled. He made two free throws with 25 seconds left to give St. John’s a 64-62 lead.

"When Carl took the second dribble, we trapped it and I grabbed the ball and got it to Darryl," Gray said.

Syracuse 78, Georgetown 73

Syracuse took charge early in the overtime. Louie McCroskey hit a 15-foot baseline jumper to start the biggest run of the game for either team, McNamara drained a 3 from the right corner after Bowman missed two free throws, and Warrick sailed in for the latter from 13 points and 11 rebounds, his first double-double of the season, for the Orange. McNamara was 5-for-12 on 3-pointers and broke Preston Shumpert’s school record for 3-pointers by two.

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Bowman, who was whistled for his fourth foul with 5:31 left in regulation, just shook his head in dismay afterward while lamenting his big feet.

"I saw an opportunity and knocked it down," said Bowman, who scored 19 points before fouling out in the final seconds. "I thought it was a 3, but I guess my shoes are too big. I wish I was a size 14."

It was so close the officials looked at the replay before ruling it a two-pointer.

"We wanted to put the ball in his [Bowman’s] hands and let him decide," Hoyas first-year coach John Thompson III said. "I thought he was behind the line, but the replay showed he wasn’t."

When Syracuse blitzed the Hoyas in the overtime, Thompson’s first visit to the Carrier Dome turned into a bit of a disappointment. But it might have started to rekindle what once was one of the most heated rivalries in college basketball when his father prowled the sidelines as coach for 27 years before retiring in 1999.

"I’m kind of sorry Coach Thompson is back at Georgetown," Syracuse coach Jim Boeheim said with a smile.

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STUDY PROGRAMS.
**Women’s Swimming & Diving**

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**MLB**

Seven-time Cy Young Award winner Roger Clemens requested a record $22 million in salary arbitration from the Houston Astros Tuesday. One of 40 MLB players involved in salary negotiations, Clemens was offered $13.5 million by the Astros.

**Clemens seeks record-high arbitration**

NEW YORK — Roger Clemens followed a record-setting season with a record-setting salary request. Eric Gagne, another Cy Young Award winner, got a big deal, too.

After winning his seventh Cy Young Award, the Rocket asked for $22 million in salary arbitration Tuesday, easily topping the previous high of $18.5 million by New York Yankees shortstop Derek Jeter in 2001.

Clemens, who still hasn’t decided whether to pitch this year or retire, was offered $13.5 million by his hometown Houston Astros. The $8.5 million difference was exactly double the previous record spread, set by the Yankees and Jeter.

"We looked at what some of the comparables were — Greg Maddux, Randy Johnson — and we tried to use those size-quality players’ salaries to come up with a number," Astros general manager Tim Purpura said.

Rather than swap figures with the Dodgers, Gagne agreed to a $19 million, two-year deal with Los Angeles that contains a club option for 2007. Gagne, the 2003 NL Cy Young winner, has the right to void the option year, however, and become a free agent.

Clemens was among 40 players who exchanged figures with their teams, a group that included Astros outfields Lance Berkman and Al. Cy Young Award winner Johan Santana of the Minnesota Twins. Gagne was among 30 players who agreed to deals before the exchange.

In addition, the Cubs and catcher Michael Barrett agreed to a $12 million, three-year contract after swapping proposals. If he decides to play, Clemens could have the highest salary for a pitcher in a season, topping the $17.5 million made last year by Boston’s Pedro Martinez. The Yankees’ Randy Johnson has the top salary among pitchers next year, calculated at $16.5 million, including a prorated share of the $1 million personal-services contract he signed with Arizona before he was traded to New York.

Clemens, 42, left the Yankees after the 2003 season and signed with the Astros.

**In Brief**

**Offensive lineman critizes Roethlisberger**

PITTSBURGH — Alan Faneca must be trying to motivate Ben Roethlisberger again.

The offensive lineman said the Pittsburgh Steelers badly need Roethlisberger to upgrade his play for Sunday’s AFC championship game against New England, after the rookie quarterback’s errors nearly led to a playoff loss to the New York Jets.

"He’s going to have to pick his game up," Faneca said Monday. "We’re all going to have to pick our game up, and it’s going to take our best effort of the season to win this week."

Roethlisberger, the NFL’s Offensive Rookie of the Year, threw three interceptions — one for a touchdown and another creating Doug Brien’s potential game-winning field goal try — and got nothing going as the Jets scored 17 consecutive points in the second and third quarters.

The Steelers came back to win 20-17 in overtime Saturday, but only after Brien missed two field goal tries in the final two minutes of the fourth quarter. "He was off a little bit, but we were all off a little bit as an offense," Faneca said.

**Back injury sidelines Nash**

PHOENIX — After limping home from an 0-4 road trip, the Phoenix Suns thought they would have Steve Nash back in the lineup Wednesday night against Memphis. Then Nash had his foot stepped on in Tuesday’s practice by his backup.

"It was painful," coach Mike D’Antoni said. "We’ll see if he can get the swelling out and he might be fine, or he might have to take a few days off."

Nash is questionable for the Grizzlies game. Barbosa, the starter in Nash’s absence, left America West Arena on crutches with a sprained left ankle and won’t play on Wednesday.

**Sixteen avoid arbitration**

NEW YORK — Instead of swapping salary proposals, Allison Soriano and Cesar Izturis were among 16 players who avoided arbitration by agreeing to deals with their clubs.

Soriano got a $7.5 million, one-year contract with Texas, and Izturis agreed to a $9.9 million, three-year deal with Los Angeles on Monday.

Three Atlanta Braves — shortstop Rafael Furcal ($5.6 million), closer Dan Kolb ($3.4 million) and reliever Chris Beiama ($1.65 million) — and three Florida Marlins right-handers — A.J. Burnett ($5.63 million), Guillermo Mota ($2.6 million) and Tim Speonyrager ($3.50,000) — also got one-year deals.

Seventy players remained on track to exchange figures with their teams Tuesday, but many more were expected to agree to contracts before the swap.

**around the dial**

**COLLEGE BASKETBALL**

Charlotte at Cincinnati 8 p.m., ESPN2
Duke at Miami (Fla.) 8:30 p.m., ESPn

**NBA**

Bulls at Celtics 7 p.m., Comcast
Pacers at Hornets 8 p.m., Fox Sports

**Timberwolves at Lakers 10:30 p.m., ESPN**
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despite the 17-point victory.
"We've been ranked in the Top 25 for some time now," he said at the post game press conference. "We're really proud to be in the Top 25," he said. "We're the only Big East team ranked this high," he added.

Belichick was right about one thing: his assessment. The Irish lost their next two games before getting back on track against the Purdue Boilermakers.

Now McGraw wants her team to continue making strides as the Sundar draws closer to February.
"We can't afford to have a letdown," McGraw said. "We've got to stay focused.

Negro Daisey was led by the tandem of Jacqueline Borten and Megan Duffy. Borten averaged 18.5 points, seven rebounds and three assists per game, while Duffy added 11.6 points, five assists and two steals.

The Irish have also been getting solid contributions from the rest of the team. Teresa Borton played exceptional against Purdue, scoring 18 points on 8-of-11 shooting. Freshman Chavel Allen and Taylah Gaines, along with sophomore Breona Gray also played well for Notre Dame.

Syracuse, meanwhile, has already surpassed its win total from a season ago when the Orange went just 6-21. The team lost all-time leading scorer Julie McBride but opened the season with five straight wins and are a respectable 7-2 in conference. Senior Chinee Ngwoho is the team's leader in points per game (11.3), rebounds (8.7) and field goal percentage (.475). The team has won two straight Big East games since losing to Notre Dame a couple weeks ago.

McGraw said her team needs to play well to come back home with its third conference victory.

"We've got a lot to improve on," she said. "We can't look past anyone.

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Irish forward Teresa Borton makes a pass. Sunday in a win over Purdue. Borton and the Irish take the road today against Syracuse.

NFL

Cowher looks for first ever Super Bowl victory

Associated Press

PITTSBURGH — For some one saddled with the reputation of winning the big one, Bill Cowher certainly

couches in a lot of big games. This time,Cowher is a part of the big game — the Super Bowl. The

manager of the Pittsburgh Steelers' best coach is on

the opposing sideline.

Cowher,47,a former Pittsburgh Steeler,has been

Steeler's coach since 1992, has won more reg-

ular season games and divi-

sion titles than the Patriots' Bill Belichick — and just as many playoff games. When the

team went two-head-to-head in the same division for four seasons from 1992-95, Cowher won

three division titles to Belichick's none.

Amid the one-sided comparisons, the singular statistic that explains why Belichick is the

resident wizard among NFL coaches, and Cowher is considered to be merely among the

elite.

Super Bowl matches Belichick 2, Cowher 0.

And it's not just winning football's biggest game that's been the problem — Cowher is 0-1 in a Super Bowl — it's getting there. This is the fifth time since 1995 the Steelers have missed the AFC title game, yet they have won only once and are 0-3 in their three attempts.

Can't win the big one? Seemingly, Cowher is more like can't win the one—before the big one.

"I want to win a championship," Cowher said, res-

olving to do what he believes will seem incomplete unless he raises the Lombardi Trophy. "It's only the one that matters."

Belichick has been a Grand Canyon-sized crater, especially because he is one of only two Super Bowl coaches without a championship.

Cowher

Cowher looks for first ever Super Bowl victory

"Maybe the last few years we've gotten away from some things," Cowher said.

That the 47-year-old Cowher has been more motivated and more energized hasn't been lost on his employers, who see the extension despite last season's 6-10 record.

"He's at the stage of his career where he's made enough money, he's raised a family, he's been successful," team president Art Rooney II said.

Cowher pointedly answered "No" when asked if the Patriots' schemes are more complex than others in the league.

To me, it's not so much [playing] Bill as it is playing the New England Patriots," Cowher said. "I don't think it's a mystery or anything else. You have to understand going into that what you see isn't always what you get.

Of course, the same could be said of the Steelers going into championship games.

"We've got to seize this opportunity," Cowher said.

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didn't work. We rode the line in every other game, in the other [conference] three-wire. So it's a big staple of our offense.

The Irish head coach also recommends how St. John's, who is not traditionally a long-distance shooting team, made key 3-pointers to keep Saturday's game close.

Brey said the game plan for West Virginia, then, is simple.

"On Wednesday, I want to see lay-ups go in," he said. "I want to hug that [3-point line]. We've got to hug that line against West Virginia, because it'll be like playing against the line.

West Virginia features some 1-3-1 zone, to keep the number of 3-point attempts of total field goal attempts low. Because it'll be like playing a 2-3 zone that defeated Notre Dame in recent games. Brey said he does not feel uncomfortable playing other players and possibly reinserting Rick Cornett into the lineup. Cornett gave the Irish productive minutes in the early season, in particular as the anchor of a 2-3 zone that defeated Indiana on its home floor.

"My job is to relax both Torin [Francis] and Dennis [Latimore] because we need them, and it's putting a lot of pressure on our perimeter," Mike Brey

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West Virginia perimeter of it — in order to force the point attempts of total field goal attempts high enough to establish the inside offense and work the ball out.

But Francis and Latimore combine for an average of just 17.2 points and 13.5 rebounds per game, numbers that are not meaning- less but that are also not sufficient to balance and improve Notre Dame's offense.

The custom- ary West Virginia 2-3 zone is geared to handle opposing guards. However, it leaves room for penetration inside and opens passing lanes to the perimeter and under the basket. Similar in its strategy against the Syracuse 2-3 zone, Notre Dame will need its front-court to step up and control the foul line and low block, which the Irish didn't do in their loss against the Orange.

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This could be a factor in Latimore's decreasing minutes in recent games. Brey said he does not feel uncomfortable playing other players and possibly reinserting Rick Cornett into the lineup. Cornett gave the Irish productive minutes in the early season, in particular as the anchor of a 2-3 zone that defeated Indiana on its home floor.

"We have a really good chance to work our way up right now in the middle of our conference schedule," Lipke said.

The Belles lost 77-71 in a hard-fought contest, but with a win at home, Saint Mary's would improve to 3-2 in the season against league opponents. That would equate to more conference wins in the first half of this season than the entire 2003-04 season.

The improvement has come in large part thanks to team unity.

"We all play really well as a team — unselfish and passing," Lipke said. "Everyone knows each other and isn't afraid to make the pass."

The Belles, though, will need more than just team unity to climb back up to fourth in the MIAA. Saint Mary's must also improve its shooting. The team has struggled at times this season, and is hitting less than 40 percent of its shots from the floor on the season as a whole.

One bright spot from tonight against Kalamazoo College.

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White said progress is still being made in the fall sports, especially with the construction of a new football facility, the Guglielmino Family Athletic Center, set to be completed this fall.

“I think we’re still working hard on the football, and we’re closer than we’ve ever been,” he said. “I think the Guglielmino is a really important thing here, and the new staff and their commitment, the whole thing. So we really feel like we’re on our way in football.”

The final standings for the Directors’ Cup are published following the completion of spring seasons and a final winner is established. White said this is a feasible goal for Notre Dame.

“The real goal is to win a national championship in football and win a national championship in those 23 other sports as well,” White said. “And if we continue to move towards those two goals, we will be No. 1 in the Directors’ Cup.

“The ultimate goal that we haven’t trumpeted is to be the No. 1 program in the country.”

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Michigan Tech’s Nick Anderson scored the score 3-2 on a power play goal at 7:57 when he ripped a slap shot from the left circle.

At 11-66, the Huskies Ryan Markham scored off of a rebound of a Malcolm Guigliam shot to increase the lead to two goals.

The third period was more of the same from Michigan Tech, as the Huskies added two unanswered power play goals to turn what was a good hockey game in the early second period into a blowout by the end of regulation.

Anderson scored his second goal at 15:26 and Brandon Schwartz scored at 19:25.

After Saturday night’s loss, Irish coach Dave Poulin expressed his feeling that the Irish had played a great third period of hockey and would love to run with that into the three non-league games this week.

“I’d rather have kept going tonight and played another couple games tonight,” Poulin said, after Saturday night’s loss.

Instead, the Irish were unable to capture that same intensity for a full three periods of hockey, something that has plagued the Irish all season.

Going into Tuesday night’s game, the Irish were being outscored 30-10 in the third period. The two goals in the final period against Michigan Tech were consistent with that statistic.

Despite giving up six goals, Morgan Cey had 33 saves for the Irish.

If the Irish plan to turn around their season this weekend, it is not going to come easily. The Irish take on No. 5 Wisconsin Friday and Saturday night.

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ATHLETICS

ND takes top spot in fall Directors’ Cup standings

For the first time in the program's 12-year history, Irish in lead

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When athletic director Kevin White came to Notre Dame five years ago, he knew Notre Dame needed to improve its 23rd place finish in what was then the Sears Directors’ Cup. Over the past four years, Notre Dame has finished 11th, 13th, 13th and 19th, respectively. Now, for the first time in the program’s 12-year history, Notre Dame is No. 1 in the fall standings of what is now the United States Sports Academy Division I Directors’ Cup competitions.

When I interviewed for the job we clearly thought we had the ability to be within the top five,” White said. “So that became an objective, and as I remember that Notre Dame moment in my interview, that has continued to ring true and loudly for my almost five years here.”

The National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics sponsors the competition.

Notre Dame reached the top of the final fall standings of the all-sports competition with 337 points, just four ahead of second-place Michigan. As Notre Dame travel to Michigan for its season finale, Stanford, who is the defending champion is third with 332 points. With 327 points, Duke ranks right behind the Cardinal, who took home the national champions in volleyball. Duke had runner-up finishes this fall in both women’s cross country and women’s field hockey.

Notre Dame received 100 points for the women’s soccer team who brought home the national championship. The Irish also received points from a fourth-place finish in women’s cross country, an 11th-place finish in men’s cross country and second round appearances in the NCAA Tournament by both volleyball and men’s soccer.

White credits University President Father EdwardMalloy for emphasizing the importance of the Directors’ Cup.

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**Hockey**

Huskies power way to 6-2 win

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The Irish were hoping for offense in Tuesday night’s matchup against Michigan Tech. They didn’t expect it to come from their opponent, however, as the Huskies converted three power plays in goals and pulled away late in a 6-2 win over the Irish.

Notre Dame had trouble on the penalty kill this weekend against the Buckeyes, and that problem did not correct itself Tuesday. The Huskies, ranked a surprising No. 8 in the nation on the power play, scored three power play goals in five chances to really make the difference in the game.

Despite an early Huskies score from Clay Wilson 3:36 into the game, the Irish hung with Michigan Tech for the first peri­

The Irish evened the score at 17:21 in the first period when defenseman Luke Luck found Chris Trick through the crease for a score.

The second period started off with the Huskies and the Irish trading goals. Michigan Tech’s Colin Murphy found a wide-open Chris Conner in front of the net. Conner was able to shoot past Irish goalie Morgan Gey for the lead at 2:33 in the second.

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