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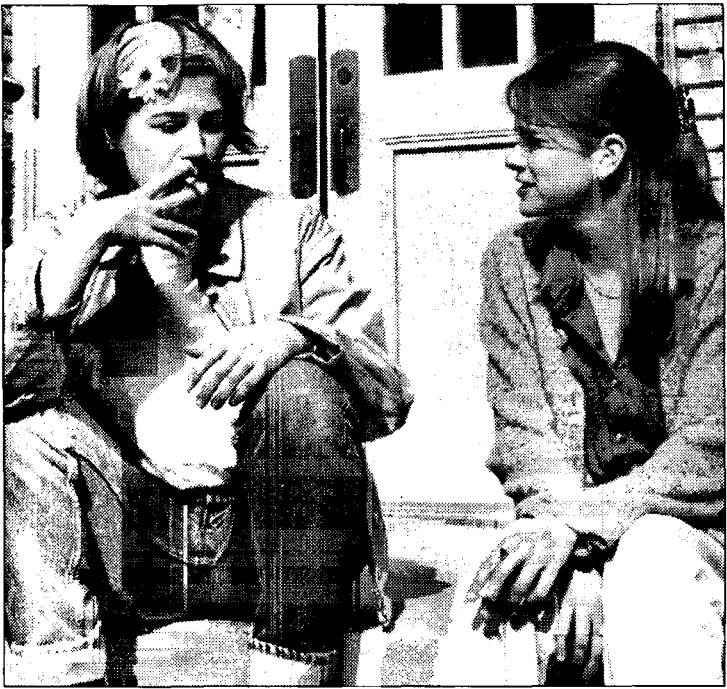
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Smokers are increasingly being forced out of campus spaces due to individual rectors' decisions to prohibit smoking in dorms.

Smoking policies vary across campus

By HEATHER MACKENZIE
News Writer

"So what's the policy?
"Can I smoke in my room or not?"

According to du Lac, smoking is admissible in dorm rooms and graduate housing at Notre Dame pending the prior consent of all roommates.

Technically, Notre Dame does not qualify as a smoke-free campus, but student residents have found that the smoking policy outlined in du Lac and the smoking policies they encounter in their individual dorms do not always coincide.

Du Lac dedicates two pages to the smoking policy, but in the wake of information regarding the various health risks of smoking and second-hand smoke, where do the rights of Notre Dame smokers end and the rights of non-smokers begin?

In most dorms, individual rectors have disregarded du Lac and created their own smoking policies; inside all but three

Notre Dame dorms, smoking is not allowed.

"Remaining smoke-free within the building is taken very seriously here," said Brother Bonaventure Scully, rector of Keenan Hall. "It is not fair to the non-smokers in the dorm to let people light up in the rooms around them."

Fisher Hall, Knott Hall and Morrissey Hall are the only three dorms that adhere to the du Lac policy. In all other dorms on campus, rectors have decided to remain smoke-free based on various health and safety issues.

"The walls in the dorm rooms and the ventilation systems are not adequate to totally separate the smokers from the non-smokers," commented Sister Patricia Riley, rector of Breen-Phillips Hall. "We changed the policy after we had some problems with allergies."

However, even though the vast majority of dorms on campus are strictly smoke-free, du Lac's policy still states that

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Campus feels effects of Shirt losses

By MICHELLE KRUPA
Assistant News Editor

Annual profits from The Shirt affect every Notre Dame student. When The Shirt sells poorly, campus organizations lose their claims to its profits, and each student feels the trickled-down repercussions.

After last year's sharp decline in sales and last week's announcement of Student Union's 1997-98 budget allocations, numerous campus organizations are realizing the trade-off.

This year only \$77,000 was earmarked for Student Union by The Shirt committee — a full \$43,000 less than last year, and groups, including the senior class, whose budget allocation decreased \$2,680 from last year's, have to deal with that fact.

"If every student knew that the money from The Shirt went indirectly to them, they might be more inclined to buy one," said senior class president Beth Nolan.

In fact, half of all revenues from The Shirt — up to \$100,000 — goes directly into a joint account and combines with approximately \$400,000 annual-

ly received from the Student Activities Fund, which draws its stock from tuition fees.

Since all funds beyond the Student Activities budget come from Shirt revenues, Student Union relies on those dividends to determine each of its subsidiaries' budgets.

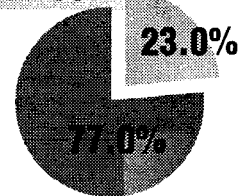
According to student body president Matt Griffin, using The Shirt's profits rather than only relying on Student Activities' \$400,000 helps overall, but is not an optimal policy. "I think it's wrong for student organizations to rely on The Shirt, but I'm glad they're questioning its impact on their groups this year," Griffin said.

During the 1996-1997 school year, The Shirt brought the full allocation of \$100,000 to Student Union as well as factoring in an additional one-time \$20,000 donation from the pool set aside for charity donations to help augment student service projects, according to Gayle Spencer, Student Activities director. This year, that figure was \$43,000 less.

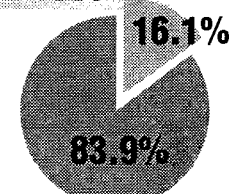
"Shirt sales had been increasing until this year," Spencer said. "I would attribute this year's decline to two factors: It was never really nice in the fall; and

Student Union Budget

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Student Activities Fund The Shirt
The Observer/ Melissa Weber

we didn't have a stellar season. I think it was a one time thing, but Student Union did get the 50 percent of all profits that we promised them."

Bill Walsh, the 1996 Shirt's executive coordinator, com-

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STUDENT SENATE

Senate joins revision movement

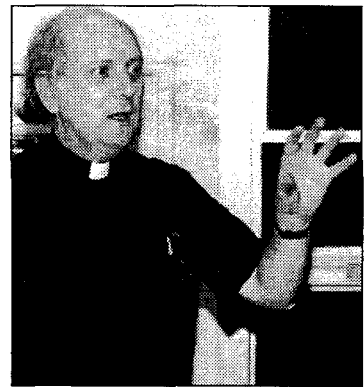
By DEREK BETCHER
Associate News Editor

Student Senate passed its first resolution in yesterday's meeting. By forwarding their official endorsement of non-discrimination clause revision to the University's officers, the fledgling senate finalized its position on a key item of business.

In discussion preceding the senate's vote, supporters of the resolution made sure to separate their measure from wide advocacy of homosexual issues.

"We were very careful to assert that Catholic teachings be emphasized. That includes adamant disapproval of homosexual acts," explained Zahm senator Brandon Williams, also a member of the Ad Hoc Committee on Non-discrimination.

"The committee finds that the current policy



The Observer/Katy Soby

Father David Garrick spoke to Student Senate yesterday.

does, in fact, allow for discrimination. Fairness is all we're asking for," said senator Matt Szabo, the resolution's sponsor.

"This is all we recommend," Szabo reemphasized. "We should not ask, nor are we asking, that the University compromise the Catholic nature of this place."

Central to the senate's debate was a questioning of how their action could effect change. Senators expressed hopes that their resolution would add a consequential voice to the much-publicized movement for clause revision. But others shared sentiments that University administrators — in their apparently secretive workings — had many other variables to consider.

"Professor O'Hara has repeatedly said that no

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SMC organizations succeed in campus unification

By ALLISON KOENIG
Saint Mary's News Editor

Monday's celebration of leadership at Saint Mary's College offered much time for reflection on the previous year's student government events.

The student government members, among other things, succeeded in unification during the 1996-97 year. The individual branches of the Residence Hall Association (RHA), Student Activities Board (SAB), Student Academic Council (SAC) and Board of Governance (BOG) collaborated on several projects under the name of Student Government Association (SGA).

"I've been involved in student government for three years, and

I'm amazed at how much was accomplished in just this past year," SAB member Jen Ligda commented.

Student body vice-president Beth Ann Miller formulated a first-ever mission statement for SGA, which was passed through BOG.

The statement offers, among other things, to "provide opportunities for student involvement... to provide an inclusive forum... to encourage student leadership... and to represent the diverse needs of the campus community."

"The mission statement indicates that we are all committing to the community, just in different ways," Miller said. "It places the boards on equal ground."



In addition to creating the mission statement, SGA made public their intentions to collectively sponsor events on campus. The branches would each contribute funds, time and efforts to get the job done.

"Sponsorship happened in different ways; it is not yet clearly defined," Miller commented.

The newly formed SGA shared several successes in their first year as an official group,

according to Nikki Milos, RHA president.

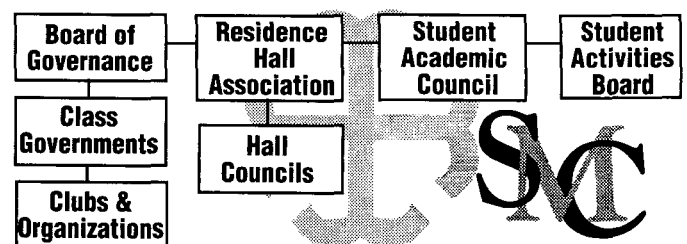
"Bringing comedian Wendi Fox to campus [for Alcohol Awareness Week] and having that event well-attended [was a triumph]," she said. "I also think that the sale of the 'excellence'

t-shirts that promoted Saint Mary's ranking as number one [in midwest liberal arts colleges] was a highlight of the year for SGA."

"Voting to approve the

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SGA Organizational Flow Chart



The Observer/ Melissa Weber

■ INSIDE COLUMN

A little consistency, please

As the year draws to a close, it is essential for students and College officials to reflect on the things they have stood for and, more notably, look at the ideas of which they have stood in the way.

Maureen Hurley
Assistant Managing Editor

Earlier this month, Pat Schroeder visited Saint Mary's College. Noted for her strong role in bringing family issues and feminism to Congress — along with her national prominence — it was an honor to have her address the campus.

Or was it?

Schroeder delivered a flawless lecture focusing on issues surrounding the family. However, she skirted around the abortion issue, which she is nationally notorious for advocating.

As the nation's premiere Catholic women's college, should we have allowed Schroeder to speak on campus?

By having her provoke dialogue on campus regarding family issues, we indirectly condone abortion by association. And abortion goes against the Catholic Church teachings.

Any academic would deem that argument ridiculous. In college, students must be exposed to a wide range of issues and viewpoints, and engage in discourse to affirm their own beliefs. To develop "keen self-knowledge ... to make socially responsible choices about the future," the Saint Mary's College mission states.

We did not discredit the Church by allowing her on campus. Saint Mary's character was not diminished. In fact, we benefited from the discussion her lecture created.

We looked past one part of the issue to see the greater good in the whole message.

Just days before Schroeder's visit, President William Hickey deferred recognition of The Alliance, a sexuality group on campus, despite a 13-4 vote by the student Board of Governance (BOG) approving the group's petition for official recognition.

By exercising his right to defer and possibly decide the fate of the organization, Hickey stated that we need to have a faculty committee double check on the research of our student governing board, and its decision to recognize The Alliance of Lesbian, Bisexual, Straight and Questioning Women of Saint Mary's College.

As the nation's premiere Catholic women's college, should we allow the Alliance on campus? By having The Alliance provoke dialogue on campus regarding issues of sexuality, do we indirectly condone homosexuality by association — which goes against traditional Catholic Church teachings?

One would find it ridiculous to stop Schroeder from speaking on campus because of her connection to the abortion issue; it is inconsistent not to give the Alliance that same treatment.

The College community is being deprived of an organization that has been endorsed by both BOG and the Faculty Assembly. Apparently, these two representative organizations believe that, as an academic community, students must engage in discourse to affirm their own stance on issues. By their endorsement, they believe the organization will promote "keen self-knowledge ... to make socially responsible choices about the future," as the College mission states.

We don't discredit the Church by recognizing the organization. Saint Mary's character will not be diminished. In fact, Saint Mary's will benefit from the discussion The Alliance will create. The College officials who worked to bring Pat Schroeder on campus — particularly Hickey, who lauded Schroeder while introducing her and sat behind her as she addressed the Saint Mary's community — would have to agree.

The views expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

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■ WORLD AT A GLANCE

Man slays two, then self at Fort Wayne counseling center

FORT WAYNE, Ind. Police searched the home and padlocked garage Tuesday of a man who killed two people at a counseling center before committing suicide. Investigators searched for clues that might explain the rampage.

Gary Wright, ordered to undergo counseling as part of a sex offense plea bargain, shot his counselor, Steven Tielker, and probation officer Donald R. "Charles" Knepple on Monday.

Wright usually met with only Tielker and may have asked Knepple to attend the session so that Wright could kill them both, said Sgt. Bill Walsh, a spokesman for the Fort Wayne Police Department.

"We're looking for notes as to why Wright set up the appointment,"



AP/Carl Fox

Walsh said.

Karen Richards, an Allen County deputy prosecutor, said, "It's a heck of a price to pay for wanting to help people."

Family members and those who knew Knepple and Tielker described them as compassionate, dedicated and self-sacrificing.

"Charley would have laid down his life for anyone," said the Rev. Sandy Knepple, Charley Knepple's sister-in-law.

Judge John Surbeck, who worked with Knepple as both an attorney and judge, said the probation officer was conscientious.

"Charley was a good guy who cared about his probationers on one hand and the rules on the other hand," Surbeck said.

Sinatra receives congressional medal

WASHINGTON

"Ol' Blue Eyes" is headed for gold. Frank Sinatra, the recipient of numerous awards for an entertainment career that spans six decades, will add the Congressional Gold Medal to the collection under a bill that won final passage Tuesday in the House. It is Congress' most prestigious civilian honor. "Frank Sinatra is perhaps the greatest singer of popular music of this century," said Rep. Michael Castle, R-Del. Rep. Jose Serrano, D-N.Y., the sponsor, said he was introduced to Sinatra's music and the English language when his father returned home to Puerto Rico after World War II with a set of the balladeer's albums. "I immediately fell in love with both," added Serrano, who owns hundreds of Sinatra's recordings and tapes of more than two dozen films. "His music to me is no different than his music to so many other people," he added. "It serves this incurable romantic with the ability to listen to the best music the world has ever heard." The House approved the bill, which advances to President Clinton, by voice vote. The Senate passed a similar version in February. The bill also authorizes up to \$30,000 to pay for the medal.



Nobel winner jailed for child abuse

FREDERICK, Md.

Nobel Prize-winning scientist Daniel Gajdusek was ordered to serve 1 1/2 years in jail Tuesday for sexually abusing a 15-year-old boy he brought back from a research trip to Micronesia. Prior to sentencing, the judge asked Gajdusek if he had anything to say. "It's not my desire to say nothing. I will say something in jail," the 73-year-old scientist said, looking directly at the judge. Gajdusek pleaded guilty to two counts of child abuse in February. He began serving his sentence immediately Tuesday in the Frederick County Detention Center. Under a plea agreement, the judge suspended all but 18 months of a 30-year sentence. Gajdusek won the 1976 Nobel Prize in medicine for his work on so-called slow viruses that lie dormant before attacking the body. The infectious agents include one implicated in mad cow disease. He retired in February from the National Institutes of Health in Bethesda, where he had been chief of the Laboratory for Central Nervous System Studies. Prosecutors said Gajdusek brought home 56 boys from research trips to the Pacific islands beginning in the 1960s. He has said he brought the children home to educate them, and they lived with him in his home in Middletown. Prosecutors alleged Gajdusek molested four other boys, but no charges were filed.

Hubble telescope regains some focus

WASHINGTON

A \$105 million infrared camera on the Hubble Space Telescope has recovered some of its focus, raising hopes that it may yet prove fully functional, NASA said Tuesday. The instrument, one of three highly sensitive infrared detectors, was installed by spacewalking astronauts in February as part of an upgrade mission. The other two, installed at the same time, are fully functional. The Near-Infrared Camera and Multi-Object Spectrometer, or Nicmos, is stored next to a 225-pound block of nitrogen ice to keep the detectors operating at minus-355 degrees. Scientists believed the ice expanded more than predicted, bumping camera No. 3 out of focus. But in its report Tuesday, NASA said that since March "the focus has moved back about a third of the required distance." It added, however, that "it is not known whether the rebound will sufficiently restore full utilization of camera 3." Scientists worried that if the trouble persisted, the lifetime of Nicmos could be cut in half, to 2 1/4 years.

More bones found on Indiana farm

WESTFIELD, Ind.

Investigators have found more bones on the property where skeletal remains of at least seven people were unearthed. Fifteen bones, none larger than a finger, were discovered Monday on the estate formerly owned by Herbert Baumeister, who committed suicide last July. The bones were unearthed by forensic anthropologist Stephen Nawrocki, his students at the University of Indianapolis and officers from the Hamilton County Sheriff's Department. Four sets of remains have been identified. Nawrocki and the students were looking for clues to help determine the identities of the others, police said. Police have said that three of the men were male prostitutes working the gay bars in Indianapolis, but authorities say they do not know the causes of death. Police have said that Baumeister, who operated Indianapolis thrift shops, led a double life as a husband of 25 years and as a man who frequented gay bars in Indianapolis. Baumeister fatally shot himself last July. Investigators have begun searching the property.

■ SOUTH BEND WEATHER

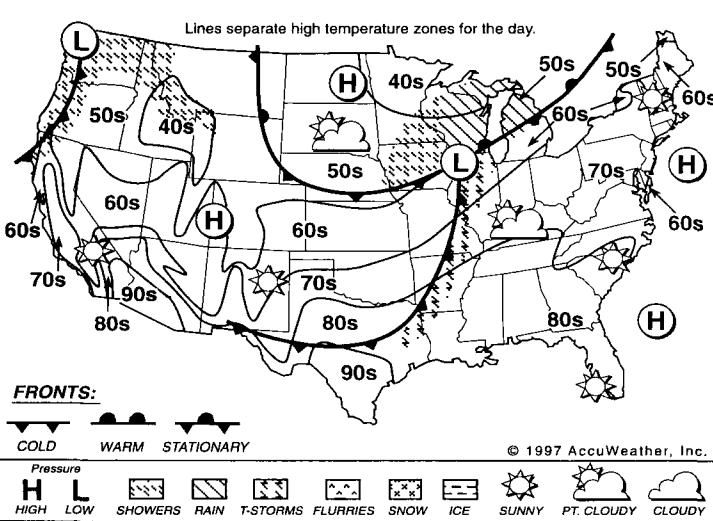
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■ HALL PRESIDENTS COUNCIL

Council makes Freshman O plans



Members of Hall Presidents Council made initial plans yesterday to help next year's freshmen learn about the community during Freshman O.

By SEAN SMITH
News Writer

This year's Freshman Orientation is going to be geared to acquaint freshman not only with the Notre Dame campus, but also the city of South Bend.

Andrea Selak of the Student Union Social Concerns Committee spoke before Hall Presidents' Council last night and addressed its members on the new Student Union's Neighborhood Roots Program.

"This program is going to give freshman a chance to get to know the city of South Bend," Selak said.

The program is designed to not only acquaint freshman with service opportunities throughout the South Bend area, but also the city's recreational facilities.

"A lot of freshman just don't know what's in the community," Selak continued.

The program will take place during Freshman Orientation and will include an extensive tour of South Bend. Freshman will visit the Century Center, Covalski Stadium, and have dinner at St. Edward's Church, where mayors from South Bend and surrounding cities will speak about their respective towns.

In other HPC news:

- The schedule for dorm concession stands during home football weekends in the fall has been finalized.

- As a result of budget cutbacks that HPC will be forced to endure throughout next year, the council's budget committee is requiring that all dorm budget proposals for special events, such as Mr. Stanford and the Keenan Revue, be submitted to the committee by September 15. This will ensure that HPC will be able to more fairly distribute its funds to the dorms.

College Democrats submit petition

By HEATHER COCKS
News Editor

The College Democrats will deliver their final correspondence of the 1996-97 academic year to the Office of Student Affairs this morning, submitting a petition they have circulated throughout the student body for the past three weeks.

"We've gotten close to 2,000 signatures on this petition," said J.P. Cooney, co-president of the College Democrats. "That makes it even more obvious that the students are ready for this change."

The group has drafted a letter to Patricia O'Hara, vice president of Student Affairs, which requests a definitive resolution to the debate surrounding revision of the non-discrimination clause.

"It's very congenial," said

Cooney of the letter. "We want her to know that we feel summertime should be used for continued contemplation of the issue."

Cooney explained that the group's initial plan was to submit the letter to O'Hara by Fri., April 18, with an expected answer by April 23.

"We decided to keep it in circulation through last Thursday's rally," he said, adding that the large turnout and high number of additional signatures gives strength to the petition.

"It's clear how the students feel about this," he repeated.

According to Cooney, the College Democrats will solicit an audience with University president Father Edward Malloy if O'Hara does not address the issue after the fall 1997 semester commences.

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From 'Star Wars' to '.com'... Hamill to feature ND program on new show

Special to The Observer

The University of Notre Dame's award-winning distance learning program will be featured at 3 p.m. on Sunday, May 4, on ".com," a new television series on the CNBC cable network hosted by Mark Hamill.

Developed in 1995 by the Executive MBA Program, the distance learning program at Notre Dame is the first of its kind in higher education and was recognized last year as the best in the nation by the U.S. Distance Learning Association. It provides graduate business education through live videoconferencing to students in Chicago and Toledo, Ohio.

"Videoconferencing technology has opened up a new era

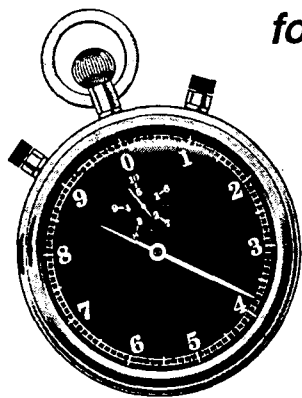
in higher education," said Ron Godfrey, executive producer of ".com."

"Every person who wants to advance his or her education needs to know what options are now available through this technology."

The Executive MBA distance learning program, which plans to continue expansion, features two fully equipped classrooms on campus that include an array of tracking cameras, video monitors, push-to-talk and wireless tracking microphones, document cameras, VCRs and personal computers networked to the Internet and World Wide Web.

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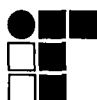
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matter what, there will be no recognition of GLND/SMC. So, the question is how she can accept this and not do that," offered Stanford senator Jake Cooper.

Once the resolution was voted on and passed, it was noted that University policy is to have all campus communication to the officers passed through the Office of Student Affairs. Student body president Matt Griffin then agreed to sign the resolution and pass it to through the specified channels.

"I'll meet with Patty O'Hara and ask that she deliver this to the officers. I'm sure that, out of respect for the senate, she will," Griffin said.

The most consequential clause of the senate's resolution reads:

"Be it resolved that the

Student Senate urges the Officers of the University to protect the students, faculty and staff of the Notre Dame community against the above-mentioned discrimination by including sexual orientation in the University's nondiscrimination clause."

Before the senate approved the resolution, Father David Garrick of the department of communication and theater spoke to the group, exposing several points for their consideration. Senators listened as Garrick examined the historical background to homophobia, the current Catholic stance on homosexual orientation and justification for amending the non-discrimination clause.

"It's an emergency situation," Garrick said.

"Why is it that it has taken 2000 years for this issue of homosexual equality to arise?" Garrick asked, comparing the issue to past difficult struggles such as slavery and gender

equality.

"[The current clause] prohibits responsible mature adults from acting as role models," Garrick said. Listing disorders such as alcohol and drug abuse that can result from forced secrecy, Garrick reported that according to a study released by the Reagan administration, 30 percent of all suicides are homosexual-related.

Garrick cited official church catechisms to legitimize his points with the senate.

"[Homosexuals] must be accepted with respect, compassion, and sensitivity. Every sign of unjust discrimination in their regard should be avoided," 1994 catechism reads. That portion and a following line — "Homosexual persons are called to chastity" — was central to the introductory wording in the senate's actual resolution.

In its fourth meeting, the action marked progress from

earlier meetings where the new senators concentrated on educating themselves and slowly growing into their representative roles. Contrasting that buoyancy, a second ongoing senate constitutional interpretation issue remains unresolved for the summer.

Prolonging a past bottleneck, the senate ethics committee recommended that student government assistant controller Lee Hambright be asked to resign either his student government post or his position as Hall Presidents' Council

treasurer. Yesterday marked the third straight meeting where senators have spent time debating the issue.

The committee interpreted Hambright's dual involvement as an unconstitutional conflict of interests, but the senate could not resolve whether it was in the committee's place to interpret the constitution.

"We're just concerned that this could set a harmful precedent," Lewis senator Angie Sowar said.

A frustrated faction tabled the discussion until next fall.

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Alliance [of gay, bisexual, straight, and questioning students] was a huge occurrence," Lori McKeough, the Year's SAB coordinator, stated. "The monthly calendars under residence hall doors that informed students of events were also a good addition."

"The distribution of calendars helped draw everything together," Milos agreed. "The advertising of the SGA acronym was successful."

While functioning as a single force for many occurrences on campus, the individual branches also achieved many separate goals.

SAC's main development was the publishing of the board's newsletter, which made important departmental information available to all students.

Milos described RHA's activities of the past year, especially the first ever all-campus formal, with satisfaction.

"RHA has nowhere to go but up," she said. "Even in the heat of contrast and debate, things are born."

"I think that [SAB's] main success included bringing Mohammad Bileal to campus, and increasing overall event attendance," said McKeough. "And, despite a bomb threat and bad weather, SMC Tostal was a huge success."

Milos and McKeough, elected to student president and vice-president respectively for the

upcoming year, are already formulating plans for SGA. On the forefront of their plans is the issue of the Alliance.

"No matter what happened this year, this is not the end. All of the hard work will not be wasted, no matter what," McKeough stated.

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Cocks celebrate last days at Flanner

By JOE STARK
News Writer

As the semester wears down, most are thinking of finals, summer endeavors, or selling that "almost new" couch with no "noticeable" stains or holes, but on North Quad, students are honoring Flanner Tower's finest hour.

After opening in 1969 alongside Grace Hall, the Tower of the 'Cocks and Graceland turned North Quad into what residents call the envy of the campus.

Last year was the final year of the Lightning, with Grace residents moving to Keough and O'Neill, and after this year, Flannerites are moving into Siegfried and Knott.

Flanner has never been a very well understood dorm. People can comprehend 200 Dawgs painting their faces, singing their requiem, and passing out flowers. It is not difficult to come to expect 10 "Naughty by Nature" signs hanging outside Cavanaugh.

But it is difficult for most students to see any dorm unity at all at Flanner.

"At the beginning of the year I was disappointed in the lack of dorm chanting, marching, etc.," says freshmen Chris Myers. "But then I discovered that Flanner is the best dorm on campus, hands down."

According to Flanner men, it's what's on the inside that counts.

Too Keller, a resident of Flanner for four years and now an assistant rector, has experienced five years as a 'Cock. When asked what makes Flanner special, he talked about section unity.

"The way the building is set up makes your section your own little fraternity," he said. The building is divided into 20 sections, each with about 27 members. The isolation of each section causes a close knit family atmosphere.

Father Bill Seetch, the rector of Flanner, said of dorm unity,



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Flanner residents recognize the dorm's "finest hour" as they plan to leave the building for the final time this spring.

"Overall dorm unity [in Flanner] probably isn't as great as in some halls, but section unity is very strong." Seetch went on to say that this individual section pride creates a kind of overall dorm unity.

Resident assistant Brett Galley sums up this feeling of Flanner, saying, "Contrary to the stereotypical belief that big dorms are loosely jointed, I feel that strong section unity carries over to a larger dorm community spirit."

According to residents, this close sense of family in the sections and throughout the dorm is reinforced by something no resident would, or could, explain.

Another part of Flanner's appeal is its modern style. "I personally believe the amenities in Flanner set it apart from the other dorms," said senior Brian Fitzpatrick, "I lived in Stanford freshmen year and in comparison, you could say Flanner is a hotel."

Even though all of Flanner's comforts will not be transferred to the new living quarters, residents have been assured of the swift installation of necessities — including urinals.

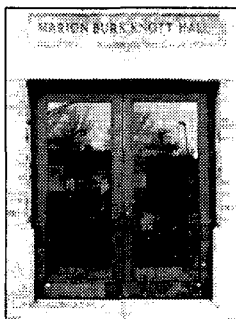
Flanner residents will also miss Flanner Mass, the most crowded Mass on North Quad Sunday nights. Flanner sophomore Jim Precobb says, "Flanner Mass adds to the community atmosphere of the dorm; it's very casual and makes you feel comfortable."

After 28 years, and with 530 residents this year alone, myriad 'Cocks have gone through the Flanner experience and into the real world.

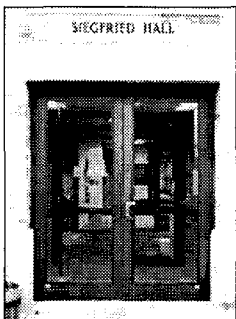
With the Flanner 'Cocks moving out and Knott Beavers and Siegfried Shockers moving in, North Quad awaits a year of new beginnings and traditions.

Junior Sean Frey says it eloquently.

"The closing of Flanner is a tragedy. Flanner will surely be missed by all her loving residents. Long live the 'Cocks."



Knott Hall



Siegfried Hall

Students receive Fulbright grants to teach English

By SARAH J. HILTZ
News Writer

Aside from the five Notre Dame students who won Fulbright Grants this year, four students were awarded the Fulbright Teaching Assistantship.

The assistantship is awarded annually to students who have a proficiency in a foreign language and would like to teach English as a second language to students all over the world.

The three Notre Dame students, Renee Daffron, Dustin DeGrande and Michael Irvine, applied independently and won assistantships to teach high school students in Austria.

DeGrande believes that his time abroad will allow him to completely experience Austrian life.

"When you work somewhere it really allows you to get into the culture," he said.

Dominique Schott applied through the Institute for Scholarship in the Liberal Arts and will be teaching English conversation to French high school students next year. She applied due to her "basic passion for French language, culture, and literature," and hopes to use her international experience to augment American education.

"My overall goal in life is to integrate better languages in the United States," Schott said.

To begin the application process, the prospective teaching assistants are interviewed on campus. The interviewer then writes up a letter of recommendation and rates the student's suitability for the position. This information is sent to New York for evaluation, then to the offices abroad where the final decision is made.

Fulbright teaching assistantship positions are also available in Belgium, Luxembourg, Germany, Hungary, Korea, Taiwan and Turkey.

Also this year, Michael Lazarra won a Fulbright research grant to Chile, and David Buckley and Paige Reeves are waiting to hear if they have been approved to study in Poland and Spain. Ryan Beville and Michael Shveima have been chosen as alternates to study in Japan and Sweden, respectively.

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mended the efforts of his committee, who sold the last of the 1996 Shirts at last Saturday's Blue-Gold game. He also noted that despite bad weather and not having a specified Shirt game, everyone kept the true charitable goal of The Shirt in mind.

"They all kept trying until the end. I feel bad that [campus organizations] got shorted, but I think that student government is on the right track. They have a

real good idea of what The Shirt does — its primary goal is to provide for charity," Walsh said.

But now that The Shirt's 1996 season is closing, campus organizations must deal with its less-than-expected financial contributions. Many groups received a much smaller budget than they requested, and some will have to work with less money in 1997-98 than they had last year.

For example, Student Union Board received an allocation of \$143,100 — \$32,000 less than last year's, and \$53,000 less than they requested. According to SUB controller Ryan Stecz, this

will alter the group's plans.

"This is probably going to mean increasing the prices for some events and cutting some events altogether. I'm hoping we can really look at what we're spending and do a better job negotiating contracts. We'll have to deal with it," Stecz said.

Griffin noted that the administration's perception of student government could suffer due to the lowered budget.

"I think it's going to hurt student government's chances of being taken seriously by the administration," Griffin said.

Student Union treasurer Nerea

Arrien thinks that groups will have to put forth additional effort this year to make up for The Shirt's shortcomings.

"Everyone, especially the class councils, will have to make the most of fundraising opportunities," Arrien said. "It's tight everywhere and there's nothing we can do about that."

Nolan reiterated that things will change, and that many typically free events offered during Welcome Back Week might solicit a participation fee.

She feels that with the strong financial stock of the University, resources should be redistributed

across campus to make up for such deficiencies as those.

"I think that with the billions of dollars in endowments that this University has, it's sad that they can't step in to defray The Shirt's losses," she said.

Griffin feels that the Student Activities Fund also needs to be redistributed in order to ensure for a substantial annual budget.

"There might need to be an increase of the Student Activities Fund. They might need to take more from tuition. It hasn't been changed in many years, and inflation and addition fees haven't been taken into account," he said.

Smoking

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smoking is allowed in rooms with consent of all roommates.

"In this case, the preference of the rector or rectress comes before du Lac," said Lori Maurer, the assistant director of residence life. "If the rector doesn't feel that the student is complying to his policy, they may refer the student to our office. Students can also appeal decisions made by rectors to us, but we haven't had many complaints on the [smoking] issue."

In 1991, a task force headed by biology department chair John Duman reviewed the issue of smoking on campus. This committee, composed of faculty, students, and staff members — some of whom were smokers themselves — studied the policies and experiences at other campuses and local businesses and solicited the opinions of many in the college community.

"We basically thought the policy needed to be changed to take the needs of non-smokers into consideration," Duman said. "What we came up with was accepted and is more or less the policy the University now adheres to."

The new policy greatly reduces the amount of smoking allowed on campus by banning smoking "in all buildings, stadiums, and vehicles owned or operated by the University" with dorms and established smoking lounges being the notable exceptions.

Smoking in these areas is required to be contained so as not to penetrate the air outside the location; the department of risk management and safety is responsible for establishing lounges and investigating any complaints.

Some administrators and faculty members, however, consider the idea that smoke can be absolutely contained in a single, separate environment unrealistic.

"We constructed the faculty smoking lounges so that they would self-contain smoke as sufficiently as possible," said Michael McCauslin, assistant director of risk management and safety. "But others are affected by the smoke. Air is not confinable; everyone has to share."

Despite a widespread national decrease in smoking over the past decade, smoking on college campuses has barely declined; according to the National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse, it has gone down only 1.6 percent since 1981.

Notre Dame's revised policy in 1991 did however follow a nationwide trend to make public environments more smoke-free; still, the policy does not fully prevent second-hand smoke from infiltrating the living space of non-smoking students and faculty.

"The girls down the hall from me smoke, and a lot of times the entire hallway smells like smoke," said Katie English, Knott Hall resident.

"I understand that they have a right to smoke, but when it spreads down the hall it shows a

lack of respect for other residents. I'm terribly sensitive to smoke; it just really bugs me."

Maurer agrees that non-smokers are still affected by the smoking members of the Notre Dame community.

"The smoking lounge in the women's rest room [of the Main Building] is separated from the rest of the restroom by a partition, but it doesn't keep the smoke out. It's like I'm smoking a pack right along with them," Maurer said.

Just last year, students at Saint Mary's College lobbied to make their dining hall smoke-free. Previously, there had been a smoking section near the entrance, and dining hall employees were allowed to smoke.

Amber Frasier, who organized the group and subsequent smoke-free recommendations to the senior officers of the College, emphasized that the rights of non-smokers to a pleasant eating environment were at the root of her actions.

"The smoking section was supposedly separated from the rest of the dining hall, but students had to walk through it to get their food. And all of the dining hall workers had to be constantly exposed to the smoke. It was really unpleasant," Frasier said.

After a fire caused by an improperly extinguished cigarette butt at Holy Cross Hall, Saint Mary's students activated

forums to re-evaluate the smoking policy on their entire campus. The smoking policy is now similar to du Lac's, with provisions for smoking lounges next to vending areas in each dorm.

According to Suzy Orr, director of residence life at Saint Mary's, no action can be taken without a formal recommendation and approval by the senior officers of the College.


"We haven't had anything official turned in yet, but it looks like there is definite concern on this campus concerning the smoking issue. I wouldn't be surprised if something was officially discussed soon," she said.

Notre Dame's policy was reviewed in 1994, two years after

its implementation, but no amendments to the smoking policy were deemed necessary at the time.

Saint Mary's College has addressed various health and safety issues surrounding smoking; Notre Dame has yet to address the issues of second-hand smoke and fire safety, and this summer's revision of du Lac points toward no amendment of the smoking policy.

"We are taking a complete look at du Lac," Maurer said. "We will analyze the wording of [the policy] and how the dorm policies mesh with those of du Lac. But the bottom line is that the policy hasn't changed, and I don't expect it to anytime soon."



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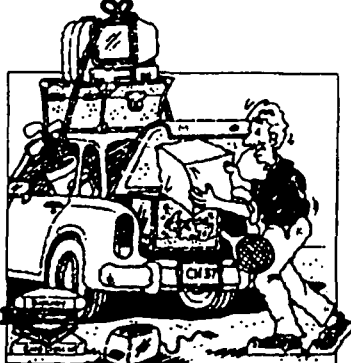
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Petersen: Fantasies do no harm

By LAURA PETELLE
News Writer

Sexual fantasy is the activity of voluntarily and intentionally dwelling on images and ideas for the purpose of sexual enjoyment, according to Patricia Petersen, a Ph.D. student from the University of Queensland in Australia.

But is it ethical?
That was the question Petersen proposed to answer in her lecture titled "Sexual Fantasy: What's Wrong with Doing It?" A self-proclaimed "Australian consequentialist," Petersen spoke to a crowd largely composed of professors and TAs.
"The tone of the talk is at odds with what you feel about your sexuality," Petersen warned as she opened.

She proposed to address the four points that philosophers most often raise against sexual fantasizing in declaring it unethical: it's bad to fantasize about good things; idle fantasizing is bad; fantasizing can encourage a person to do bad things; and maleficent fantasies cause people to act in harmful ways.

"Some philosophers say it's bad to fantasize about good things because if you're fantasizing about them you're not doing

them," Petersen explained. But, she continued, no duty-based or rights-based system of ethics puts individuals under obligation to at all times do good for other people.

"We're not under obligation to [be a moral saint]," she said. While too much self-nurturing

'We're not under obligation to [be a moral saint]... you can say that about just about anything you enjoy doing.'

Patricia Petersen

can lead to neglecting one's obligations, Petersen said, "you can say that about just about anything you enjoy doing."

"Idle" fantasies, according to Petersen, are fantasies wherein the "content is not a substitute for anything in the real world." The problem with idle fantasies, according to opponents of ethical sexual fantasy, is that they can lead to the fragmentation of the self through the divorce of

desires and wants from fantasies.

But "falling in love can cause the fragmentation of the self," Petersen said. Things that we think of as "good" or "moral" can also cause the fragmentation of the self, so the fragmentation doesn't make it bad.

As for the claim that fantasizing can cause a person to do bad things, Petersen said, "I deny that this is true." She continued that the "underlying desires and wants cause the actions."

In other words, "All fantasies are idle in that they can't affect our behaviors and actions," Petersen claimed. Rather, the thoughts and desires that cause the behaviors also cause the fantasies.

In response the claim that maleficent fantasies cause people to act in harmful ways, Petersen asked the audience to consider the argument that, "A causes B, B is immoral, therefore A is immoral."

"Logic at last!" interjected on audience member.

This argument, she said, is an invalid argument. If a married man spends time with an attractive female colleague, that in itself is not immoral. If he has an affair with her, that is immoral. But the time spent together that led to the affair is not immoral in and of itself.

Petersen then opened the floor for questions from the audience, which mainly centered on the difference between intentionalism and consequentialism; that is, is an action immoral because of its intent or does it only become immoral when acted out?

The bottom line, according to Petersen, is that fantasizing is not action, and that as humans we have the free will to decide to act or not to act.

Local group honors Spanish professors

By CHRIS SHIPLEY
News Writer

Two Spanish professors, Paul and Victoria Bosco, were honored last Saturday by the Foreign Language Alive in Michiana Education, Inc. coalition for their promotion of the spread of language instruction in the South Bend community.

When they accepted the award, the Boscos were praised by coordinators Candy Schelske and Joel Krueger as "devoted stewards of God's love." A plaque that was presented to the couple declared that the mayor of Mishawaka had announced that the day would be formally dedicated to the Boscos.

"We knew the group wanted to honor us, but we had no idea they would have had the day made into Paul and Victoria Bosco Day. I had no idea," Bosco stated after the awards ceremony.

The Mishawaka affiliate of FLAME chooses an ethnic group each year from those represented in the community and honors one member who has promoted the development of culture.

Bosco, who is originally from Vasto, Italy, earned his Ph.D. in Romance philosophy from Harvard in 1942 and began pursuing his specialty in Romance applied linguistics at the University of Notre Dame in 1947.

The two teachers met and married in Italy while Mr. Bosco was on a Fulbright grant. Mr. and Mrs. Bosco returned to Notre Dame after spending one year directing the year abroad program in Angers, France.

While Mr. Bosco continued teaching his specialty, Mrs. Bosco is credited with introducing audio-visual equipment into the curriculum of the foreign language department.

The Boscos have continued to serve the Romance language department by teaching sections of Spanish and Italian. Although Bosco officially retired in 1979, he has taught two sections of Spanish in recent years as a professor emeritus. Mrs. Bosco has taught one section of either Spanish or Italian in each of the past few years.

This year will be the couples' last, however, as both have decided to retire permanently from the University to pursue other interests. Mr. Bosco spent nearly 15 years in the Forever Learning Institute which teaches foreign languages to elderly community members. Both Mr. and Mrs. Bosco have pushed for the institution of foreign language pilot programs into community schools.

These programs, which began three years ago, have brought Japanese and other languages into the classrooms of elementary students.

The couple, who are charter members of the FLAME coalition, have served on the Michiana affiliate board since its origin in 1990. Both Boscos have taken an active role in the organization, and continue to feel strongly on the issue of foreign languages in elementary education.

"We feel it's too bad that in the instance when children are taught a foreign language, it is soon interrupted," Bosco commented.

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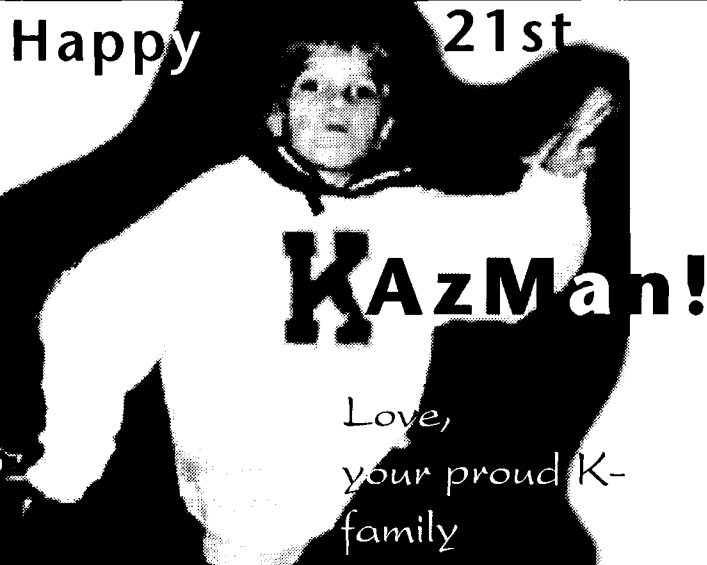
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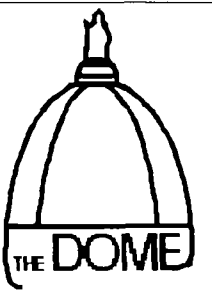
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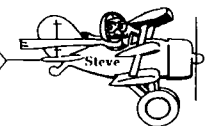
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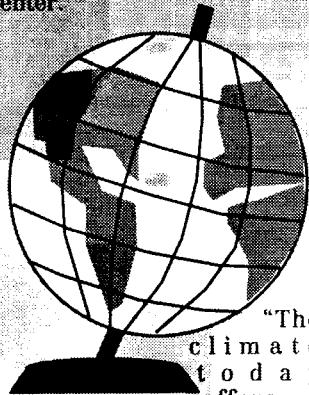
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Chance for global ethics expands

By DEREK BETCHER
Associate News Editor

U.S. policy-makers need to take a fresh look at global opportunities for social reform and advancement, according to Cecilia Lynch. A professor at Northwestern University, Lynch lectured on the intersection of international relations and ethics yesterday in the Hesburgh Center.



"The climate today offers a remarkable situation for progressive, ethical possibilities," she said.

Much of the lecture was spent answering two concerns. Lynch's first question addressed the exact definition of internationalism, and her second pondered the existence of greater world-wide moral possibilities.

"We need to reopen conversation of what our obligations should be beyond our borders," she asserted.

In defining internationalism, Lynch drew from three distinct historical world orders: the 1918-1939 inter-war period; the 1945-1989 bi-polar era of U.S. hegemony; and the 1989-present post-cold war era. Many onlookers, she explained, view internationalism as simply commitment to treaties and multinational organizations.

"But that definition is benign," she noted.

Before international ethics can be addressed, underlying military, economic, and legal legacies need to be considered. Only then, Lynch explained, can humanitarian or egalitarian ideals be considered. The end of the Soviet-American bi-polar world order now allows for that type of progressive policy, she told the audience.

"There is an opening," Lynch said. "Aspects like human rights and economic rights that went underground during the Cold War can now resurface."

After lecturing on the historical aspects of international ethics, Lynch offered her observations on how U.S. foreign policy should proceed.

"I recommend an ethics of critical engagement," she said, explaining that the U.S. is no longer in a position to involve itself in every international situation which arises.

"We need to question our political prerogatives," she added.

Lynch also countered what she considered flawed positions opposed to globalization.

"New protectionism can be charged with being overly romantic and can then be dismissed as utopianism," Lynch said.

Lynch's lecture, titled "Internationalism in Historical Perspective," was sponsored by the Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies.

SMC profs explore themes in writing

By RACHEL TORRES
News Writer

Saint Mary's College professors have been busy lately. Not only do they take time to teach classes, grade assignments, and make themselves available for individual student inquiries, some also publish their own works.

Professors from the departments of history, philosophy, political science, English, music, religious studies, and humanistic studies have all published works conducive to their own academic specialties.

Some professors, like Philip Hicks of the humanistic studies department and Rosalind Clark of the English department, found themselves well on their way to completing books upon beginning the dissertations for their doctorates.

Hicks' book, "Neoclassical History and English Culture," focuses on how English history was written centuries ago, and how political messages were conveyed through historical accounts.

"There was a great competition in England in the 17th and 18th centuries of who would be the person to write the great history of England," Hicks said. "England had great philosophers and scientists to be proud of, but no great historians like those from ancient Greece or Rome."

Hicks also addresses how readers of

that time responded to the history that was eventually developed by David Hume.

Clark also wrote her book, "The Great Queens," with information she drew from her dissertation study.

However, her inspiration for the topic came from a children's fantasy book she read as a girl of 16, called "The Woman of Gomreth."

"I really wanted to focus on the story of the Old Irish goddess of war named Morrigan in 'The Great Queens,' Clark reflected.

In addition to the story of Morrigan, "The Great Queens" tells stories of other Irish sovereign goddesses as well as Irish pagan goddesses.

Keith Egan in the religious studies department co-authored "Christian Spirituality" with Lawrence Cunningham from Notre Dame.

"We were asked by publishers to write the book after we team-taught a class on Christian spirituality," Egan stated.

While the book can be used as a textbook for other classes, it also addresses more general themes of "living Christian life."

Egan is working on another book due out next year, known as a "feste schrift," in honor of a special occasion. The occasion is the 80th birthday of Father Roland Murphy, and the text will be called Master of the Sacred Page.

Egan sees the publication of these

books as a way to help him improve his teaching ability.

"If I write often and well, I teach better, and can think, explore, and communicate more clearly with students."

Kevin McDonnell of the philosophy department co-authored "Tough Decisions" to be used in conjunction with his class on medical ethics. While working in the pediatric neurology department at John's Hopkins, McDonnell made a collaborative effort to bring together real case studies of various medical ethical issues.

The thirteen cases in the book deal with ethical theory, and "some ask students questions about what they would do in a 'choose your own adventure' format," McDonnell said.

One of the more interesting topics for McDonnell is the issue of discontinuing medical support for severely handicapped babies.

The question of who has the power to decide what should happen to the child comes into play.

"There is no magic decision maker," in that situation, according to McDonnell, and he stresses that the book remains objective and allows readers make to decisions for themselves.

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Popular news columnist dies

By MARIO FOX
Associated Press Writer

CHICAGO

Mike Royko, the Pulitzer Prize-winning newspaper columnist whose biting sarcasm and empathy for the common man captured the essence of Chicago for more than three decades, died Tuesday. He was 64.



Royko

The Chicago Tribune announced Royko's death on its World Wide Web site.

Royko, whose Chicago Tribune column was syndicated to more than 200 newspapers nationwide, underwent surgery last week for an aneurysm, a rupture or weakening of a blood vessel.

He had suffered a stroke in early April while vacationing in Florida and had been hospitalized there.

Royko's column was a cornerstone of the daily newspaper for generations of Chicago readers, first in the now-defunct Chicago Daily News, later with the Chicago Sun-Times and since 1984 with the Tribune. For most of his career he wrote five days a week.

"I think Mike Royko brought a great deal to his readers, both in humor and in skepticism and in spotting phonies," said long-time Chicago columnist Irv Kupcinet of the Sun-Times. "He expressed his mind without fear and did so no matter who he crossed and who he hurt."

He gained stature as a critic of the late Mayor Richard J.

Daley at a time when most prominent Chicagoans treated Daley with cautious respect. Royko's 1971 biography, "Boss: Richard J. Daley of Chicago," portrayed Daley as a shrewd, autocratic politician who tolerated racism and corruption.

In typical tongue-in-cheek fashion, Royko suggested the city's motto of "Urbs In Horto" — city in a garden — should be changed to "Ubi Est Mea" — where's mine?

The book so infuriated the Daley family that the mayor's wife persuaded a grocery-store chain to remove the book from its stores.

On Tuesday, Mayor Richard M. Daley, Richard J. Daley's son, said: "Through the years my family filled many of his columns, some critical and some supportive, but whether you agreed with him or not, you had to respect his honesty and his love for the city."

Royko tempered his political commentary with wry observations on news, social trends, his beloved Chicago Cubs and the foibles of everyday life. Many were presented in imagined conversations with Slat Grobnik, Royko's fictitious blue-collar alter ego from the Polish neighborhood where Royko grew up.

Known for his gruff, often sarcastic tone, Royko's scorn could be withering.

In 1992, a woman called him to complain. She had found a 2,000-year-old Roman coin on the floor in her bank and returned it. To her dismay, she was not offered a reward.

"If you don't at least try to return it, you're a thief," Royko wrote. "So should we hold parades for people because they aren't thieves?"

He had no use for yuppies, as a column on buying practical gifts for spouses made clear:

"Many men love tools. Even those who don't know how to use them. I know one yuppie male who was thrilled when he got a set of screwdrivers. He said: 'Oh, these will be perfect for prying open shellfish.'"

When Tampa, Fla., tried to lure the White Sox away from Chicago in 1988, he urged city baseball fans to send their dirty socks to Florida officials. In return, Royko received citrus seeds from Florida fans.

But others didn't take the jibes so lightly, and in later years some readers wondered whether Royko was going too far. Where once his venom was reserved for politicians, he had begun to write more about ethnic minorities and gays, to the pleasure of neither.

Twice in March 1996, Hispanic protesters gathered at the Tribune Tower to demand an apology for remarks in his columns. Royko had written that tequila is the best thing Mexico has offered this century. Another column took a jaundiced view of anti-Castro Cubans. The protesters said Royko perpetuated stereotypes.

In 1995, Royko pleaded guilty to drunken driving and resisting arrest after a traffic accident near his Winnetka home. According to court testimony, Royko had begun treatment for alcoholism a month before the accident and had enrolled in an after-care addiction program.

Royko joined the Daily News in 1959 and won the Pulitzer for commentary in 1972. He moved to the Sun-Times in 1978 when the Daily News folded then jumped to the rival Tribune in 1984.

Wage gain means good news for markets

By DAVE SKIDMORE
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON

Though hardly cheery for America's employees, a smallish gain in wages and benefits is reassuring financial markets that accelerating inflation may not be such an imminent threat. Stock and bond prices soared on the news Tuesday.

Other reports showing a sag in consumer confidence and a sharp drop in factory orders underscored the message. That means the Federal Reserve may be able to avoid ratcheting up interest rates as much as investors had feared during the past month and a half of roller-coaster turmoil on Wall Street.

Wages and benefits rose a modest 0.6 percent in the January-March quarter, the Labor Department said. That was in the low end of the range for gains in the Employment Cost Index over the past two years and only two-thirds of the 0.9 percent predicted by economists.

"There are just no labor cost pressures visible in the economy even though the unemployment rate is so low," said economist Bruce Steinberg of Merrill Lynch in New York. "Companies can't easily raise prices without losing market share. That makes them wary about handing out big pay packages." The day's reports sent stock and bond prices soaring, pushing down interest rates in credit markets. The

Dow Jones average of industrial stocks climbed 161 points to near 6,950 by late afternoon. The average, after plunging nearly 700 points between March 11 and April 11, has recovered more than three-quarters of the loss.

Yields on 30-year Treasury bonds — a barometer for borrowing costs ranging from home mortgages to business loans — fell from 7.11 percent Monday to 6.99 percent, the lowest in a month.

Economists predicted the modest advance in labor costs won't deter Federal Reserve policy-makers from raising short-term interest rates a second time when they meet in three weeks.

"But it argues rates shouldn't go up more than a quarter point at a shot and perhaps ... the Fed can move a bit more slowly," said economist Mark Zandi of Regional Financial Associates in West Chester, Pa. The first increase in more than a year, a quarter of a percentage point, came on March 25.

Meanwhile, the Commerce Department said orders to factories for big-ticket durable goods unexpectedly plunged 3 percent in March, the biggest decline in seven months. February orders were weaker than initially reported. And the backlog of unfilled orders recorded the first decrease since August. That suggests any threat of inflationary bottlenecks developing in the manufacturing pipeline is receding.

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Armored carriers advance in fear of 'another Waco'

By EDUARDO MONTES
Associated Press Writer

FORT DAVIS, Texas
Two armored personnel carriers rolled into place Tuesday in the siege of the Texas secessionists as their leader's lawyer warned of "another Waco" if officers move in for an arrest.

"There's the potential for a lot of killing and that's what we want to stop," said Terry O'Rourke, the lawyer for Richard McLaren, the self-proclaimed ambassador of the Republic of Texas.

McLaren and his followers have been holed up in the mountain community since Sunday, when they took two neighbors hostage in retaliation for the arrest of two followers. They released both hostages Monday in exchange for one of the jailed comrades, who had been arrested on weapons charges.

By Tuesday, nearly 100 state and federal officers were stationed within two miles of the trailer the group calls its "embassy" in the rugged Davis Mountains, 175 miles southeast of El Paso.

Officers negotiated with the group by telephone.

"We're very positive, very optimistic," said Mike Cox, spokesman for the state Department of Public Safety.

Cox said 13 people — all adults — were holed up. The group has demanded the release of the other jailed follower, a woman arrested on contempt charges. McLaren has also demanded a statewide referendum on independence for Texas.

Six of the holed-up Republic of Texas members are wanted on kidnapping charges or other offenses related to the hostage-taking.

Two armored personnel carriers arrived around midday

from Tyler, 520 miles across the state. They were borrowed from the Smith County Sheriff's department, which obtained them free as surplus from the Army.

"We have ample manpower out here and we have augmented that some, as you've seen today. And (McLaren) is aware of that. ... He is aware that we have slowly moved in his direction," Cox said.

The Texas Ranger in charge of the negotiations "has been steadfast in saying we have some felony arrest warrants here and they're going to get served," Cox said.

O'Rourke said of McLaren: "Clearly there are people up there with weapons and hundreds of guns pointed at him. If they attempt to execute those warrants, he will likely be killed. ... Nobody wants another Waco."

Government agents were locked in a 51-day standoff with the Branch Davidians cult near Waco before launching an assault that ended in a fire in 1993. Cult leader David Koresh and about 80 followers died.

O'Rourke said that McLaren is "not David Koresh" and "does not have a death wish," but that it is clear McLaren and his wife are willing to die for their beliefs.

On his Internet Web site, McLaren warned that a "declaration of war" will be issued if state and federal agents threaten the Republic of Texas' "sovereignty." He warned that the clash could "set off the liberation of America from New World Order tyranny."

O'Rourke contacted fellow Houston lawyer Dick DeGuerin, who was Koresh's attorney, to become co-counsel. But DeGuerin suggested Tuesday that the best way to end the standoff would be for O'Rourke to convince McLaren that he must surrender and fight his

battles in court.

"If McLaren has a different agenda, if he wants to be a martyr, he can do that real easy," DeGuerin said. "Have a standoff, start shooting and the government will accommodate him and probably win. I'd hate to see it come to that."

DeGuerin called the arrival of the armored carriers "provocative."

Authorities also set up a roadblock closing at least 11 miles of the only highway into the community.

Republic members contend that Texas, which was briefly an independent republic, was illegally annexed as a state in 1845 and that they are its legitimate government.

They also have filed millions of dollars in bogus liens against Texans and public officials, clogging up the courts. The group, founded in 1995, has split into at least three factions, two of which now disavow McLaren.

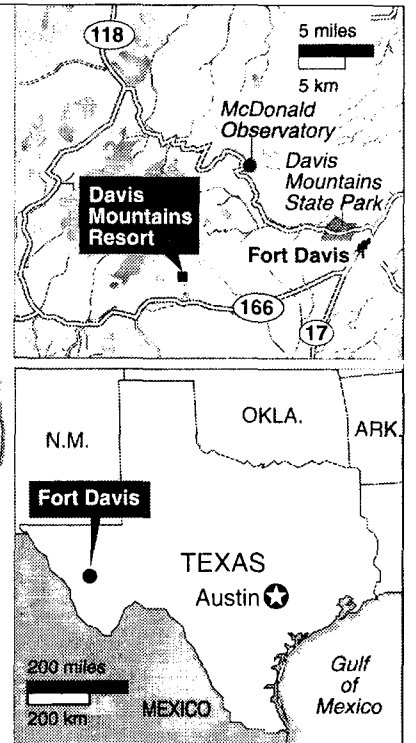
"We have seen this paper terrorism transform itself into a more conventional type of

Separatist group digs in after hostage trade

Law enforcers are continuing to treat the standoff with the Republic of Texas as a hostage situation because between 90 and 150 residents of the resort area are unable to leave their homes.

The Republic of Texas

The group contends that the annexation of Texas as a state in 1845 was illegal, that Texas should be an independent nation and that the group's leaders constitute the legitimate government of Texas. Texas was an independent republic from 1836 to 1845.



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violent terrorism," Texas Attorney General Dan Morales said. "This is no longer a situation where misdemeanor civil violations are involved. Now, you have first-degree criminal felonies. It doesn't get any more serious than that."

Most of the roughly 100 residents of the area had left because of the siege. "I want them (police) to go in and I want Mr. McLaren and all of his followers taken out for good," Suzanne Parchman said.

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Government to pay off debt

By DAVE SKIDMORE
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON
For only the second time in 16 years, the government plans to pay off a tiny sliver of the national debt this quarter.

That won't last, of course. The government will return to its borrowing ways in the summer.

But the temporary \$65 billion reduction in the \$5.21 trillion debt accumulated since the founding of the republic underscores that the annual budget deficit is likely to shrink for the fifth year in a row.

And that could make life easier for administration and congressional negotiators struggling to cut a deal this week to balance the budget by 2002. It means less debt will accumulate and over the next few years, there'll be less interest

for taxpayers to shoulder. "The economy has been robust, tax revenue has been strong, spending has been relatively contained," said economist Bruce Steinberg of Merrill Lynch in New York.

"The 1997 deficit will be \$80 billion, maybe even less. That's remarkable."

The deficit in 1996 was \$107 billion and as recently as January both the Clinton administration and the Congressional Budget Office projected a 1997 deficit of around \$125 billion.

They and nearly every other economic forecaster didn't count on the strong 3.8 percent economic growth in the October-December quarter, the first of the fiscal year, picking up steam in the January-March period. That's produced millions of new jobs and windfall of tax payments.

"Virtually all of the decrease

in our cash needs is explained by an unexpectedly large surge in tax receipts," said Paul Malvey, the associate director of Treasury's Office of Market Finance.

Through March, the government's revenue was running \$50 billion, or 8 percent, ahead of the same period of fiscal 1996 while spending was up only 4.3 percent. And that doesn't include April, the month when most Americans settle their tax bills for the previous year. Malvey, outlining Treasury borrowing plans Tuesday to an advisory panel of Wall Street executives, said it now looks as if April tax collections from individuals, over and above withholding, will total \$125 billion. He said the government expected a record \$80 billion of cash on hand at month's end on Wednesday, nearly quadruple the balance of just two weeks earlier.

Powell, Clinton praise volunteers at summit

By DONNA ABU-NASR
Associated Press Writer

PHILADELPHIA

With marching orders from Gen. Colin Powell and first lady Hillary Rodham Clinton, Gary St. Peter and thousands of others left the volunteer summit Tuesday with plans to stop talking and start doing.

"The hard work begins tomorrow morning," said St. Peter, 47, an attorney from Providence, R.I., who plans to set up safe havens for children to spend their after-school hours.

With Independence Hall as a backdrop, Mrs. Clinton, former President Bush and Powell, general chairman of the Presidents' Summit for America's Future, lauded the delegates in a sun-drenched sendoff.

"You are the real troops," said Powell. "It was the work that you did yesterday and this morning that is giving life, that is giving a pulse to this effort of ours that will make it successful."

Powell assured the skeptics that "we're going to glue this together and make reality" out of the hundreds of pledges that have been made to improve the lives of 2 million of the nation's 15 million disadvantaged children by 2000.

Mrs. Clinton told the delegates that government leaders will do

what they can to encourage and motivate but everyone must do the real work.

"This summit, these commitments, they are about the habits of the heart that make us Americans. Let us go show the world and our children that we are prepared to live up to them," she said.

Bush, the only president to stay for all three days, said the star-studded summit was "fine, a lot of glitz ... but what matters is what you all do."

Even though their plans need refining, some delegates were ready to begin work and others were planning local versions of the national summit.

"One of the challenges is taking this back to our community ... and making it as exciting as everything that they saw from here," said Vanessa Smith of Syracuse, N.Y.

Doug Walters of Charleston, W. Va., said the sessions he had with delegates from other states gave him the opportunity to exchange ideas with people dealing with the same problems.

Robert Smith, of Waterloo, Iowa, said three days of meetings have wiped away the suspicion he had before coming to Philadelphia that the summit was all about politics.

"I believe the politicians believe volunteering is important," said Smith. "But I guess I'll have to wait and see when the elections come up (whether) they will start using it as a leverage to gain political support. If that happens it's a slap in the face of the American people."



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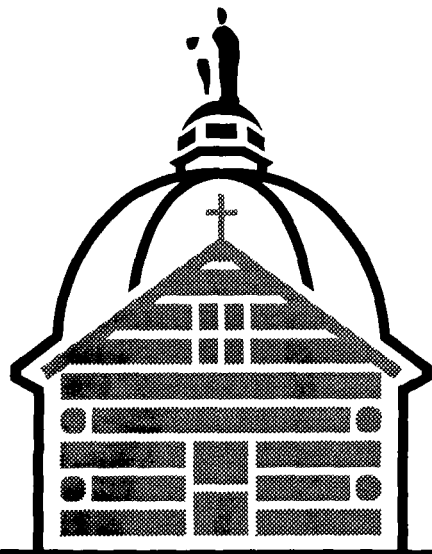
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■ ENGLAND

Labor leader reshapes conservative image

By ROBERT BARR
Associated Press Writer

LONDON

The Labor Party was a mass movement born in the mines, mills and dockyards of Britain, but the Labor Party in its current form is largely associated with one man: Tony Blair.

In three years as party leader, Blair has changed the party's creed, branded it "new Labor," and put it in position to win an election Thursday for the first time in 23 years.

Suppressing the ideological battles that preoccupied the party a decade ago, and embracing many of the policies of the governing Conservative party, Blair has led Labor on a single-minded quest for power.

If he succeeds in this week's national elections — and the polls indicate he will — Blair will be Britain's youngest prime minister since Lord Liverpool, who was 42 when he assumed office in 1812.

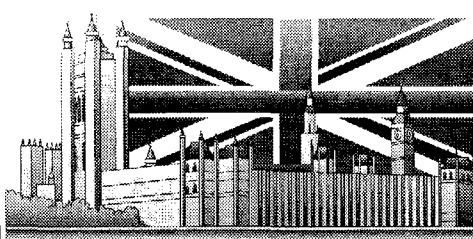
"What Tony Blair has particularly done is to admire and, in a sense, imitate Margaret Thatcher's techniques at the height of her powers," says Roy Hattersley, deputy leader of the Labor Party in the last election.

Critics inside and outside the party charge that there's little substance behind the catchy slogans and the high-wattage grin of the leader. The common accusation is that charismatic Blair has traded principles for popularity.

"Isn't the real truth that you are a politically hungry chameleon?" a talk-show caller demanded of Blair on Tuesday.

Not so, Blair responded: "I refuse to believe that the Labor Party should either face a choice of being electable and unprincipled or principled but unelectable."

Blair says voters face two fundamental questions in the elections: Do the Conservatives deserve a fifth term? Is new Labor really different from the party that lost the last four elections?



British national election

John Major put off the election as long as possible, hoping that an improving economy would boost his party's low ratings in opinion polls.

Current seats held in the House of Commons of a total of 651 seats

Conservative	323
Labor	274
Liberal Democrats	26
Referendum Party	1
Scottish National Party	4
Plaid Cymru	4
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Social Democratic and Labor Party	4
Democratic Unionist Party	3
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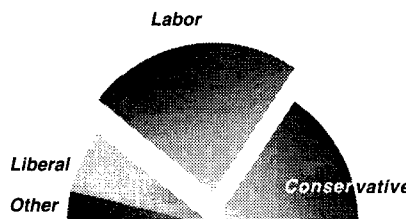
On May 1 Britons will elect 659 members of Parliament. Here is how the seats will be reapportioned, by region:

current seats	new parliament
England	529
Scotland	72
Wales	40
N. Ireland	18

Party's standings according to a recent poll:

Conservative	31%
Labor	48%
Liberal Democrats	14%

*AP average of last week's polls



Specific issues of government and policy take second place to those larger questions, but Blair seeks to reassure his followers that the party still leans left.

Huang had access to secrets

By JOHN SOLOMON
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON

John Huang, a central figure in the investigation into Asian donations to Democrats, had more access to government secrets during his short tenure at the Commerce Department than previously disclosed, documents show.

The Commerce Department has identified 109 meetings in 1994 and 1995 attended by Huang and at which classified information "might have been discussed," according to information released Tuesday.

Previously, the department disclosed 37 intelligence briefings Huang had attended while a deputy assistant secretary.

Investigators for House Rules Committee Chairman Gerald Solomon say they also have tracked other dates in which Huang received "secret" documents, then called the Los Angeles office of his former employer, the Indonesian-based Lippo Group.

Solomon, R-N.Y., has been investigating whether Huang, who later became a vice chairman of the Democratic National Committee, passed any secrets to Chinese government and business interests or to Lippo, a financial conglomerate with substantial interests in China.

In addition, the Justice Department is investigating whether the Chinese government plotted to influence U.S. elections last year by funneling illegal contributions to candidates and parties.

Huang, who had a top-secret security clearance while at the Commerce Department, has broadly denied wrongdoing. But he has refused to cooperate with congressional investigators, citing his Fifth Amendment right against self-incrimination. His lawyers did not immediately return calls to their offices Tuesday.

One week in May 1995 has stood out to investigators looking at Huang's activities at Commerce.

According to a summary prepared by Solomon's office, Huang received a document classified "secret" at 10 a.m. on May 4, 1995. Four hours later, Huang had a 10-minute call with Lippo's office in Los Angeles.

On May 9, 1995, Huang had a meeting scheduled with other senior Commerce officials on the "status of Dragongate," a multibillion-dollar Taiwanese power plant project. That afternoon, he made two short calls to Lippo. Taiwan was one area of interest for Huang.

The next day, Huang received additional secret documents and made two short calls to Lippo's office in Los Angeles. His calendar also listed a meeting that night with China's ambassador, the summary says.

And on May 12, 1995, Huang listed a briefing with the Commerce Department intelligence officer on his calendar. That afternoon, he called Lippo in Los Angeles again, the summary says.

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Despite chemical ban, world still sees terrorists risks

By ROBERT BURNS
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON

A global ban on chemical weapons took effect Tuesday with several key nations absent from the list of more than 80 that have ratified it — notably Russia and Iraq, the only two besides the United States to admit having chemical arms.

The ban, hailed by arms-control advocates as a step toward a safer world, does not eliminate

the threat posed by poison gas and other chemical agents. Indeed, some fear these will increasingly be a weapon of choice for terrorists.

In a well-publicized drill that underscored this concern, a specially assembled Marine Corps unit demonstrated in Washington on Tuesday how it would respond to a chemical or biological weapon attack by terrorists on a city.

It is the threat of terrorist attack — not a deliberate chemi-

cal assault by the forces of a foreign government — that most concerns the Clinton administration. The treaty, known as the Chemical Weapons Convention, outlaws the development, production, possession, transfer or use of chemical weapons.

Russia has signed the treaty but its parliament has not ratified it. A Pentagon report three months ago said Russian pesticide processing plants offer "easy potential" for secret production of a new generation of

chemical weapons.

The United States and Russia both have pledged to destroy their entire stocks of chemical weapons, but that task is proving more difficult and costly than either had anticipated. The United States expects to spend at least \$12.4 billion to get rid of its chemical weapons by the end of 2004.

The Senate ratified the treaty last Thursday, more than four years after former President Bush signed it, but doubts remain that Russia will follow suit. All NATO countries, plus Japan and China, have ratified the treaty, but several countries perceived as hostile to the United States have not even signed it.

These include Iraq, Syria, Libya and North Korea, which has large numbers of chemical weapons stored near the Demilitarized Zone that divides it from South Korea.


In all, more than 160 countries have signed the treaty and

more than 80 have ratified it.


The latest to act was Kuwait, whose parliament ratified it Tuesday. Kuwait sees itself as especially vulnerable. Iraq, which invaded Kuwait in 1990, had a large clandestine chemical weapons program, and it remains unclear whether the Iraqis actually used some of those weapons during the Persian Gulf War in 1991.

If it had not ratified the treaty before it took effect Tuesday, the United States would not have been allowed to participate directly in verifying compliance. Treaty opponents argued that the ban is unenforceable and that it would create the impression that there no longer is a chemical arms threat.

Michael Moodie, president of the Chemical and Biological Arms Control Institute, a private group in Washington, said the treaty provides new tools to try to limit the spread of chemical weapons but does not eliminate the problem.



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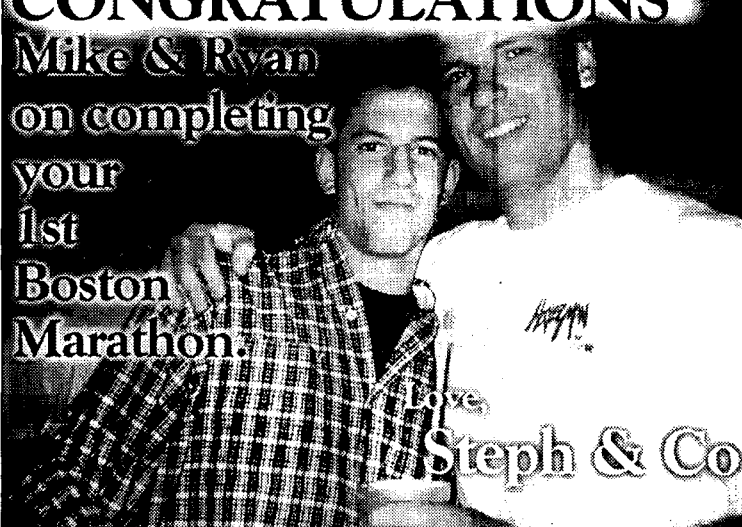


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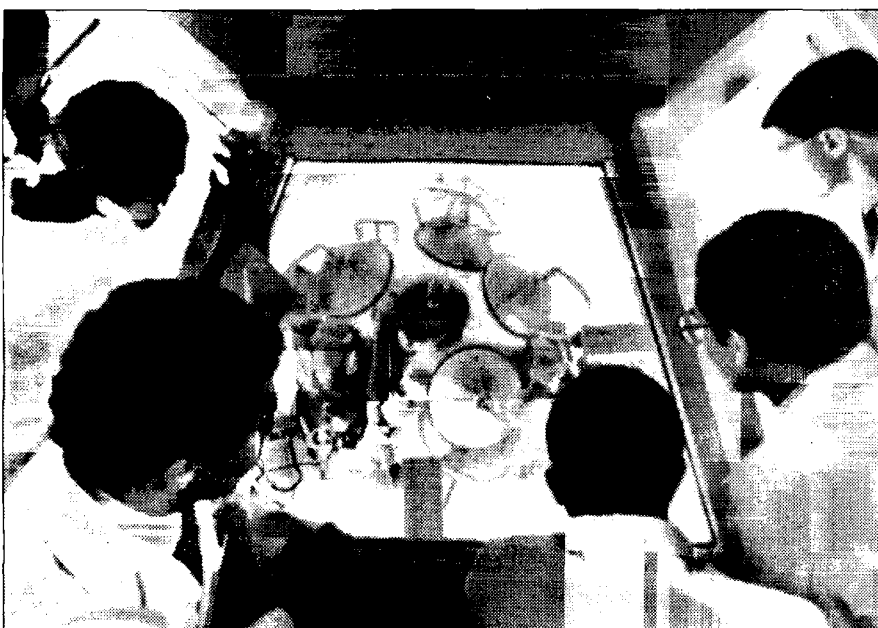
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EDITORIAL

An open letter to Marilou Eldred

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Along with the tradition, you will also inherit the recent decisions made by President Hickey, including the most recent one to defer official club recognition to The Alliance of Lesbian, Bisexual, Straight, and Questioning Women of Saint Mary's College.

You will inherit the campus controversy surrounding this decision, the aftermath of the rally in support of the student voice, and the turmoil that currently exists between the students and the administration.

Will you continue the trend set by President Hickey and remain a ghost in the lives of Saint Mary's students? Will you respond to the concerns expressed by the women of the College, who want to interact with their president?

You have been dubbed "the best person to lead Saint Mary's into the next century." Will your future at Saint Mary's be filled with deferments and bomb threats? Will you recognize the voice of the student body?

In light of the recent scare, will you do something to improve campus security?

With the turn of the century quickly approaching, Saint Mary's College is ready, willing and needing to change. The students are looking for a strong, confident woman to ease the transition into the millennium.

According to the search committee, we will find that woman in you.

If anything, the student voice has spoken this semester, and the students have voiced their concerns. Are you listening, Marilou Eldred?

What will you do, Marilou?

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Senior Week festivities tampered by inefficiency

Dear Editor:

One of the Notre Dame traditions that seniors anxiously look forward to after four years of hard work and effort is a final week of festivity and camaraderie that immediately precedes graduation known as "Senior Week."

Some of the past activities have included class trips to area amusement parks, cruises of Lake Michigan, and outings to Chicago. This year similar outings and activities were arranged including a Cedar Point trip, a day at Wrigley Field, and an evening cruise of Lake Michigan. Unfortunately, this year a great majority of seniors will completely miss the opportunity to participate and enjoy this one "last hurrah" with their fellow classmates.

Of the three major senior class sponsored events, only 19.5 percent of the class may attend the Lake Michigan cruise, only 15 percent may go to Cedar Point, and less than 5.5 percent will have the opportunity to spend the day at Wrigley Field in Chicago. Under the assumption each senior would purchase any one ticket to one of these major events, over 60 percent of the senior class would be excluded from attending any activity at all.

At the root of this problem is poor planning and inefficient use of funds by senior class officials. When questioned in regards to the lack of tickets made available for sale, senior class president Bill Hammonds' immediate response was that the "administration had given me only \$5000 to work with," which he deemed insufficient enough funds in justifying an additional ticket allotment. As president of the senior class, one of Bill Hammonds' primary responsibilities is to maintain an open channel of communication between the senior class and the administration. In this regard he has failed. At no point did Mr. Hammonds ever petition the class for support or aid in negotiating a reasonable solution to this problem. However, even with the limited number of tickets available, Bill Hammonds and his fellow officers apparently had no problem at all purchasing their own personal tickets for the senior class events.

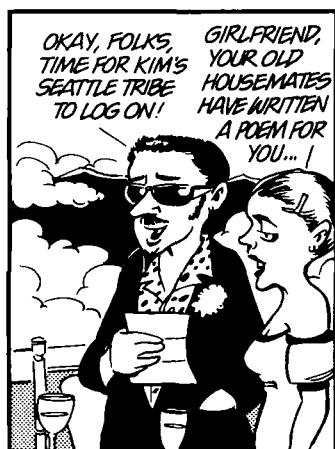
If Bill Hammonds and his fellow officers were the leaders they claimed to be, this letter would not have been necessary. Fortunately other students have stepped up and proposed more equitable solutions to this problem. Students like Mike Flood, station manager of WVFI, have taken the initiative to deal with the shortage of tickets. We applaud the efforts of students like Mike Flood, because they display the leadership skills and sentiments that truly represent the class.

Let this situation serve as a warning for those who follow us of the potential problems associated with a lack of communication and proper planning in organizing an event of such a scale. It is a shame that for a week supposedly devoted for all seniors to enjoy, only a scant minority will actually be able to participate.

THOMAS McCARTHY
CHRISTOPHER SIMONE
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Class of '97

DOONESBURY

GARRY TRUDEAU



QUOTE OF THE DAY

"It's the end of the world as we know it, and I feel fine..."

—R.E.M.

■ LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Apple's column lacks reason

Dear Editor:

After reading Matthew Apple's philippics for the last two years it is hard to know where to start one's criticisms. So, let me comment on his April 22 column.

First, Mr. Apple enlightens us with his definitions of dogma. After reading through them I wonder whether he has any normative baselines for any concept of reasonable discussion. If you want to constantly attack the Church, the administration, Professor Rice, etc., it would be helpful if you articulated some principles upon which your arguments rest. Instead you pursue scorched earth tirades against policies you don't like. Emotivism, not logic governs your writing.

Second, when you write that "procreation, not love, is the foundation of the universe" for the Church you are either ignorant of Church teaching or lying for a rhetorical purpose. To state that "if you do not add little soldiers to the blind Army of God ... you cannot be saved," is simply absurd. I could respect your work if you met disagreements head on and not in such a manipulative manner.

Finally, your attack on Professor Rice's column on homosexuality demonstrates how illogically you are acting. To take from the professor's argument that he conceivably could view Judaism as an intrinsic evil or black people as intellectually inferior distorts the issue being argued and does not follow in any way. It is remarkable logical acrobatics that allows you to accuse someone who believes certain sexual activities immoral of also viewing another religion as an intrinsic evil or a race as inferior.

I can't decide which is more appropriate — an apology from you to Professor Rice for your commentary or an explanation from you describing why it is you believe what you do and what contribution your column actually makes to reasonable debate on this campus.

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Third Year Law Student

Sr. M.J.'s devotion guided by care

Dear Editor:

When a relative, a current undergraduate at the University of Notre Dame, mentioned that there was an article in Scholastic about Sister Mary Jane (M.J.) Griffin, rector of Howard Hall, I assumed that it was a tribute to a woman who has so selflessly devoted herself for 13 years to hundreds of Notre Dame undergraduate women. Then, when he read me the article, I was disappointed that it was actually a mockery of her strict disciplinary style. I can only assume that those at Scholastic have not had the pleasure, nor the blessing, of knowing Sister M.J. as well as I have known her, as a four-year resident of Howard Hall, a one-and-a-half-year resident assistant, and a graduate.

Throughout the nearly eight years that I have known her, M.J. consistently has demonstrated an uncommon strength, energy, and tenacity — not to mention empathy — while guiding her residents through undergraduate school and beyond. On a daily basis, she counsels those dealing with major life problems, including eating disorders, relationships, alcoholism, academics, career choices, parental divorce, death of loved ones, and terminal illness, just to name a few. Although her responsibilities are difficult and heart wrenching at times, she executes them without complaint and with great moral conviction and integrity. I also know that she has made great personal sacrifices (and lost a lot of sleep!) for the well-being of her residents.

I am honored to know M.J., and am grateful for her unyielding support, enthusiastic encouragement and perceptive guidance. Even today — four years after my graduation — she continues to be a resource and a counselor for me. In fact, after learning recently that I was going through a particularly painful and devastating experience, she called me from across the country to offer words of wisdom and care.

Sister M.J. is more than a rector. She is more than a disciplinarian. She is a true friend, and I believe, the embodiment of "the Notre Dame Family." I can only hope that I can begin to emulate her character, conviction and faith.

And, although I regret that M.J. is departing Notre Dame, and future Howard Hall residents will not benefit from her spirit, fortitude, and knowledge, I am certain that she will continue to impact everyone she works with in a very special and significant way.

ANN ELIZABETH LEAHY
Former Howard Hall Resident
Class of 1993

■ WHERE I'M CALLING FROM

Nostalgia of graduation inspires parting words

It is with great sadness that I step down from my bi-weekly soap box, "Where I'm Calling From." As I sit here and try to patch together a final column to end this year and close my college

Thomas
Coyne



days, I realize that I am a very lucky man. For eight months, I was given a space in a public medium to rant and rave about whatever was on my mind — uncensored, unaltered, and unmolested by editors. It has been a fantastic opportunity and one I probably didn't deserve.

So here we are — at the end. The end of a year for all of us, the end of our college lives for all too many of us. I am not a campus for stand out, I am not a student politician, I am by no means a student leader, and save the ND diploma, the only award I will be getting at graduation is a hug from some relatives and a "Most Expensive Child Ever" award from my father as we discuss my plans for graduate school.

With that in mind, I am going to take advantage of this final opportunity to preach and prattle. I won't be speaking from any podium on May 18th; I won't be asked to make any acceptance speeches; but here, in my column, I can get in my final word, my final reflections on life here under the Dome and the ominous proposition of leaving. So with a good bit of nostalgia and a touch of sadness, I hereby endeavor to get some closure on the best four year of my life.

Looking back, I have no real regrets. Sure, I set a few lofty goals that I didn't accomplish — I never scaled the Admin., I never violated particular duLacian policies on the 50-yard line of the stadium, and I leave without a national championship banner to hang in my office. But these are things I can live with. The first two probably would have gotten me kicked out, and the last is a pipe dream — as if anyone would ever give an Arts and Letters major an office.

There are things I could have done,

things we all will look back and say we should have or we could have. I could have read more, could have gone to more theater, gone to more readings, worked harder, learned more, pushed my mind further, experienced a life larger than the one I have right now. Yet doing any of these would have meant two things — less beer and less Sega. And as lame and un-scholarly as that sounds, my first four years have been about people and friendships, about learning how to live life on my own, not how to chew up books and spit out facts. I'll be doing enough of that next year.

If I have any advice for underclassman (all the while aware that I am in no position to be giving anyone advice), I would say spend more time listening to yourself and your friends. My two favorite clichés of academia are "College is the best four years of your life," and "You learn about life outside of the classroom." They are as true as they are trite.

My memories are not of classes or text books. I can't remember a damn thing from my intro to philosophy class or my pre-med Calc class (R. Thomas Coyne, M.D. — now there's a laugh), but I can vividly remember sitting in my boxer shorts freshman year and watching "Caddyshack" three consecutive times on a Friday afternoon, sipping Leininkugel's and laughing with my roommate until we were sick. I doubt the world is any better off for my having spent the afternoon drunk and in my underwear, and I know at that moment I was contributing very little to the overall well-being of my self or my future, but that is exactly the point — it was fun, it was peaceful, and it was memorable.

Too many of us have our eyes so focused on the big picture or on our ambition that we forget what the stuff of life is. We are all looking for that balance between work and fun, between our happiness now and our ambition for the future. I think most of us could use a little more time on our couches and in our underwear, laughing with our friends, finding out who they are and who we are. The books will always be there for me to go back and read, but in two weeks, I say goodbye to my best friends in the world. It is not the classrooms that I am going to miss.

So I really have no regrets. They are worthless. And as much as I have

enjoyed taking shots at this University and its administration in my column this year, I have no real complaints either. This is truly a special place, and we are all undeserving of the lives we lead. To think how many of us sit back and complain, how many of us whine about living in South Bend or cry about our workloads. We are all spoiled brats. We are the 8,000 luckiest kids in the world, and while it is fair to criticize this place in the hope that we can make it even better, we should look around once in a while at how screwed up the world is, what a hard, cruel place it is for so many people, and realize how good we have it.

I'll stop there at the risk of sounding too much like a piece of University propaganda. That last paragraph is proof that I am on the verge of alumnihood as I romanticize and wax nostalgic about my glory days. While I am itching to take my last chance to quote

Too many of us have our eyes so focused on the big picture or on our ambition that we forget what the stuff of life is.

Springsteen in a column, I'll refrain long enough to mention some people that have shaped my own and my class's four years under the Dome.

We can't think about our time here without wanting to thank our friends and roommates — they are the people that make college what it is. I want to give all my best to the four guys who put up with my penchant for spending afternoons in my underwear, my phobia of the dishwasher, and my lack of respect for foodstuffs without my name on them. When I left high school, I swore I would keep in touch with all my friends, that we would be tight forever. We all made those promises, and we all know how hard they were to keep. But there is something about living with people, particularly at Notre Dame, that makes you know that you have made friends for life. If there is anything I am certain I will be taking away from this campus in two weeks, it will be a handful of friends that I know I will be able

to count on for anything for the rest of my life.

And with the Hallmark stuff out of the way, I would like to share my appreciation for the women of Notre Dame that have made my college life, well, the word "safe" comes to mind. When I was a kid, I thought college would be like "Animal House" — and to some extent, it was (minus one key ingredient.) So thanks to you Ms. Notre Dame's out there. I came to this campus thinking I was a stud. I leave a humble man.

And those of you who made the effort to send me e-mail or respond to The Observer with reactions to my columns are held in my highest esteem. All of you who stood up and took a side, who took the time to respond and engage in discourse — you have restored my faith in a campus that I previously thought didn't care about anything. Special kudos to all of you at last week's anti-discrimination rally and the editors of Intersection. The exciting truth is that people on this campus are concerned about more than themselves and are not afraid to put something on the line to fight for it.

And what would a thank-you tirade be without a thank you for dear old Mom and Dad. Our parents have made a supreme sacrifice to send us here — we all know that. But do we really? Do we understand what sacrifice means, that it isn't something they have to do because it is in their parental contract? I haven't, and I have never shown the proper appreciation for what they have given me, accepting it, in a sense, as something I deserve for working hard and being their offspring. And it isn't something I deserve — it is something I have been blessed with. So thanks Mom and Dad. You are the strongest, most amazing individuals I will ever know. If I could be half the person that either of you are, I would consider myself a great success.

So there you have it, a few final thoughts. Sorry if I sacrificed entertainment for sappy nostalgia, but that is what this whole graduation thing is about. You can't get a handle on it without a fair share of sentimentality and maybe even a few tears (for you softies). So goodbye and best of luck.

This has been where I'm calling from.

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■ THE DISCOURSE

Poor religious formation invites disunity

Just before moving to Notre Dame last summer, I attended a Confirmation Mass in Atlanta. The archbishop, the principal celebrant, began his homily with a star-

Sean Seymore



ling statistic: "According to a recent national poll, most Catholics do not believe in Transubstantiation."

Around the same time, Cardinal Bernardin was trying to draw support for his "Common Ground" project. The startling statistic and the need for "Common Ground" indicate the lack of unity in the contemporary Roman Catholic Church.

The church underwent profound changes after the Second Vatican Council. Even though some argue that its rudimentary aspects have remained intact for the past millennium, certain changes are unquestionable. The old church needed renewal; through the power of the Holy Spirit, Pope John XXIII began the process. However, one unfortunate, unintended, and surely unexpected result of Vatican II is disunity, due in part to the poor religious formation of the faithful over the past three decades.

A major cause of improper or inadequate catechesis is a lack of understanding of the sacraments. When I consider my religious formation during childhood, I cannot use the word "catechesis," because a catechism was never used. In my First Holy Communion class, I was given a book that had a pretty picture of a

loaf of unleavened whole — wheat bread on the front cover. I am sure that Transubstantiation was mentioned at some point, but I had to develop an understanding of the concept individually.

I attended Confirmation class at another parish hoping for a better experience; however, a catechism was not used. Instead of formal instruction, we played games in a workbook. I did not develop an understanding of the sacrament until college. Since my childhood parishes failed at catechesis, I had to complete the process individually.

Many persons underestimate the role of the liturgy in proper religious formation. The liturgy, the liturgy reinforces or weakens what is taught in catechesis. This is one reason why I cringe whenever I hear someone refer to a consecrated Host simply as "bread," and to the Precious Blood as "wine." The use of such language sends a mixed message and can confuse a child or another impressionable person who does not know or understand the truth; e.g., a catechumen. The Baltimore Catechism refers to the Eucharist as "The Body and Blood of Christ under the appearance of bread and wine."

A proper catechesis includes thorough instruction on Jesus Christ and the Blessed Mother. However, in so many churches, proper reverence to Jesus Christ and the Blessed Mother is quickly diminishing. For example, I wonder how many young Catholics know that the rubrics instruct the faithful to bow at the names of Jesus, Mary, and when the Incarnation is mentioned; e.g., at the words, "And by the power of the Holy Spirit, He was born of the Virgin Mary, and became man" in the Profession of Faith.

Furthermore, some persons are inad-

vertently removing Jesus Christ from certain parts of the liturgy. For example, when the following responses are uttered: "It is right to give Him thanks and praise," and "May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of His name, for our good, and the good of all His church," some persons replace Him and His with God's. Even a cursory review of a missal indicates that Him and His refer specifically to Jesus Christ, who is the Head of the Church. When I have invited non-Catholics to Mass, several persons being potential converts, they

processions, Rosaries, Exposition and Benediction of the Most Blessed Sacrament or kneeling; and there is very little genuflection. The church simply has an altar, a cross and chairs. The second parish has everything the first parish lacks plus a Communion rail that is still used.

I have made this comparison not to pass judgement, but religious formation and the entire Mass experience in the two parishes are vastly different. When I compare both the children and adults from the two parishes, the sacramentals have clearly made a profound effect on religious formation in the latter case. Undoubtedly, lack of devotion to the Blessed Mother and the Most Blessed sacrament is widespread in the American church. For persons who have been reared in parishes like the first mentioned above, the development of devotion is severely hampered by the lack of sacramentals.

Though many persons speak of the old church as insensitive, oppressive and overbearing, religious formation was not a problem. One could be sure that the children from one parish and a parish across town were catechized similarly. Now, two randomly-selected Catholics can hardly agree on which aspects of the faith are most important.

Undoubtedly, poor religious formation has contributed to disunity. If Catholics are to find common ground, the widespread implementation of rudimentary catechesis is a necessary prerequisite. As some would say, "You cannot play a fair game if everyone doesn't come to the table with a full deck of cards."

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have asked, "Why do some persons say or do one thing and others say or do something else?"

Even though some persons are making noble efforts to find "common ground," I wonder if the vast difference in American Catholic churches are amenable to reconciliation. For example, I consider two parishes located in the town where I attended college. The first parish can be appropriately deemed "plain." There is/are no statue, bells, crucifixes, incense, kneelers, pews, organ, confessionals, side altars, baptistry, Stations of the Cross,

■ LETTER TO THE EDITOR

SMC students deserve solidarity

Dear Editor:

Because of my unusual position here at Saint Mary's as both alumna and faculty, I feel compelled to write regarding Dr. Hickey's choice to defer the Alliance decision until May 31.

Speaking as an alumna (and as someone who has gone to great lengths to make herself informed about this issue), I am deeply saddened by the administration's handling of the BOG vote about the Alliance. Here at this college, I was taught to believe I had a right to my own voice, whatever that voice might be, and that I had a right to my own decisions. I was taught to think and act with intelligence and independence, especially in areas of justice, and to demand that other people treat me and my ideas with respect.

In this case, I do not feel that this administration has shown the students of Saint Mary's (both present and past) that respect. The administration's responses on this issue have not been timely or forthright. Instead, they have been couched in double-speak that undermines student agency, equivocates and, quite simply, seems designed to buy time. I am dismayed by this, and I take it personally.

As faculty, I feel compelled to speak on behalf of my students. Several of the members of BOG and the Alliance are in my classes. I have seen firsthand how hard they have worked on this issue, and their efforts illustrate what can happen when people approach difficult issues courageously and honestly. They deserve the same from this college. The students deserve a courageous and honest response before they leave this campus on May 9. To do otherwise robs them of all their hard work and it disempowers them. It may also leave them with a bitter taste in their mouths about Saint Mary's.

GRETCHEN M. SCHERER
Class of 1991

■ LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Remember the true Christian spirit

Dear Editor:

Over the Easter Triduum, I was fortunate enough to attend the Masses at the Basilica of the Sacred Heart. I was awestruck by the powerful and prophetic homilies and somewhat distracted by the veritable jungle of heavenly flowers and spread thickly across the altar. For a variety of reasons, I was curious to learn the total cost of the floral arrangements and called the Basilica to find out. \$4700. Those flowers cost \$4700.

How much of that money was truly spent for Christ? How much of that money was spent in excess? I believe it is my responsibility as one who is learning to be Christian to point out what I believe to be an excess.

As a Catholic institution, the University of Notre Dame has a responsibility and a duty to support and exemplify the call of the Catholic Church to a "preferential option for the poor." The Catholic Church as a body of Christ should espouse and be committed to giving "a voice to the voiceless," to the "voiceless" of our community in South Bend, our community within the United States, and our greater global community. We are responsible for our actions. Our actions speak louder than any written or spoken message.

I believe it is important to celebrate vigorously and vibrantly the Triduum services and in this way to set them apart from the rest of the liturgical year. The question is, how are we setting these days apart? Just how comfortable would a homeless man, woman or child have felt at the Basilica at the Triduum services? What right do we have to worship in such extravagance when there are human beings starving in our world? How much of our lives are we willing to give to Christ? I believe these are important questions we must ask ourselves.

Through our lives we can answer these questions if we strive to live the Gospel and live in solidarity with the poor as Jesus did. As Archbishop Oscar Romero stated, it is our responsibility to provide "a voice to the voiceless." We must speak out. The opposite of love is not hatred, but indifference. Our indifference and our silence has the potential to be sinful.

We have \$4700 worth of beautiful flowers. Many of our sisters and brothers live in substandard housing and are malnourished. Certainly a turnover of \$4700 to these people would not solve any of these issues, but it would be a start — perhaps a commencement to conversion of our own hearts and lives. This issue may be insignificant to others in comparison but, we must be awake to and aware of all injustices.

As I read in a book written by Joan Chittister, O.S.B., a quote which answers more questions than the few I pose in this letter: "Yes, there is a link between meaningless lives on one continent and meaningless deaths on the other."

We must not forget or be indifferent to our universal Catholic Christian connectedness with our socioeconomically suffering brothers and sisters. We can not afford to.

Enact heartfelt beliefs

Dear Editor:

In the great abortion debate, there appears to be a number of people who are pro-apathy, that is, they are "personally opposed to abortion, but still believe a woman has a right to choose" and thus take no action either way. This letter is specifically addressed to that group of people.

That they personally oppose abortion suggests that in their heart, they know abortion is wrong. So then, if it is wrong, why would they still support others' participation in that wrong?

Do they personally oppose drugs but feel that a person has a right to use them?

Do they personally oppose harassment but do nothing to stop it when it occurs in their midst?

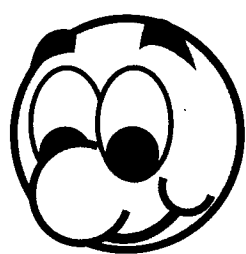
Do they personally oppose stealing, but if they saw a crime being committed, would they do nothing because they did not want to get involved in the issue?

What about murder? Do they oppose murder, but if the person to be murdered is an unwanted burden, is it then OK?

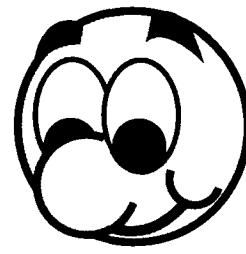
For those of you who are Christians but believe that abortion is OK: We are called to be Christ-like and follow Jesus' example of how to live in this world. Ask yourself the question: Would Jesus think that abortion is OK? Would he personally oppose it but do nothing to stop it?

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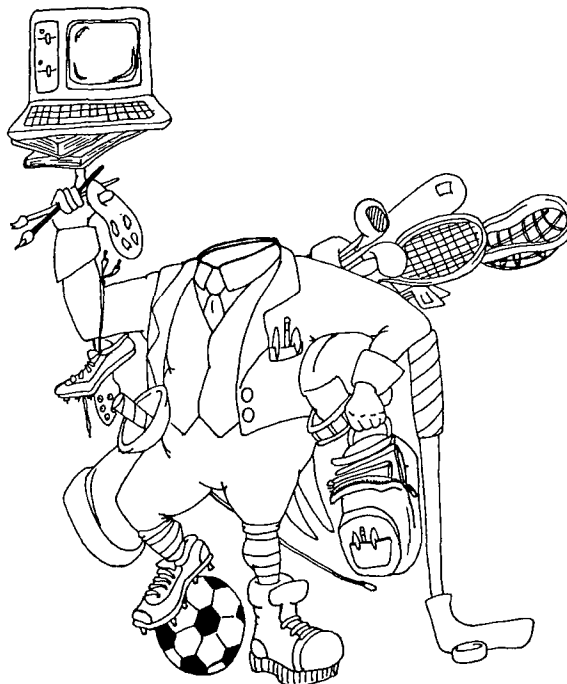


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Can you find six differences between these two pictures?

(answers at the bottom)



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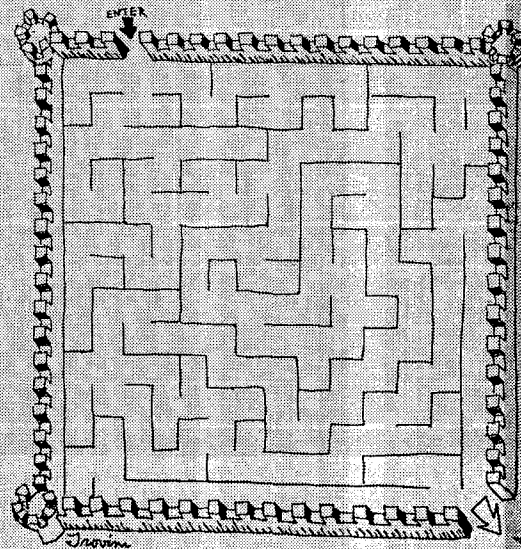
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FATHER HESBURGH	SAINT MARYS
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Help Buster here get to the cool refreshing beverage at the end of the maze!



Mad Lib - ND

I was at this dorm party last night. It was _____ (ADJECTIVE). All that I did was _____ (VERB) and _____ (VERB). Around _____ (TIME OF DAY), _____ (FRIEND'S NAME) and I ran to _____ (BUILDING ON CAMPUS) and stripped down to our _____ (BODY PART). We ran through the halls screaming _____ (EXCLAMATION) until we bumped into _____ (FAVORITE N.D. FIGUREHEAD), who gave us a firm _____ (PUNISHMENT), as well as a few pages of du Lac with which to cover our bare _____ (BODY PART). Thus, clothed, we headed to _____ (FAVORITE CAMPUS BAR) where we heard _____ (FAVORITE CAMPUS BAND) was playing. While we were dancing, a townie spilled _____ (LEAST FAVORITE BEER) on me, so I ran into the bathroom. While there, I wrote on the wall, "For a good time call _____ (BEST FRIEND) at _____ (PHONE #)."

Later on, as we rode home in the Saferide van, we noticed _____ (NAME) passed out

in the seat behind us. _____ (EXCLAMATION), _____ (FIRST FRIEND'S NAME) cried — "That's the kid I _____ (ACTION VERB, PAST TENSE) during freshman orientation. They wrote their name on my _____ (ARTICLE OF CLOTHING) at the Graffiti Dance! Let's get out of here!" So, at the first red light, we jumped out of the van and _____ (ACTION VERB, PAST TENSE) all the way back to _____ (DORM). After such an eventful night, we decided there was nothing left to do, so we ordered _____ (A NUMBER) pizzas from Papa John's. Realizing we didn't have enough money to pay, we sold all of our _____ (NOUN, PLURAL) to an unsuspecting freshman coming home from the library.

Word Puzzle answer — Have a great summer, Notre Dame. See you next year! Differences — head is missing, one cleat is missing on right foot, one less shoelace on left foot. Pencil is missing from bag, palette of paint is different, paintbrush in right hand is different.

■ MLB

Mariners' Griffey relishes record-setting month

By BEN WALKER
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NEW YORK

Batting practice was about to begin at Yankee Stadium for the Seattle Mariners and, as usual, a crowd moved closer to the cage to watch the Ken Griffey Show.

Whack!

A low liner inside the foul pole in left.

Whack!

A high drive over the fence in center.

Whack!

A rocket into the third deck in right.

"Aluminum bats, guys," Griffey said to his assorted

admirers, smiling after another loud round.

No, it just seems like he's swinging something illegal these days.

Going into this week, his shiny, black Louisville Slugger had hit 13 home runs — equal or more than five major league teams — and produced 30 RBIs, more than Albert Belle and Frank Thomas combined. Not to mention a .362 batting average.

On this night, though, Bill Parcells is watching Griffey and thinking about another kind of hitting. The New York Jets coach, a friend of Mariners manager Lou Piniella, calls over Griffey.

"When you're done with this," the three-time Super Bowl coach says, "you want to come over and be the nickel back for us?"

Griffey laughs. Cap backwards, diamond stud earrings in both ears, he's having too much fun playing baseball to get beat up doing a Deion imitation in football.

Besides, Griffey is busy in the offseason with another sport. He spends a good part of his winter playing golf with his new buddy, Tiger Woods. The two stars live in the same complex near Orlando and, Griffey claims, he sometimes out-drives Woods on the course.

Then again, Griffey out-hits

most everyone he plays with.

Last weekend in Toronto, he got a visit from Superman himself — TV actor Dean Cain — and then hit three homers in a game at SkyDome.

Griffey has already set a major league record for home runs in April and, at only 27, holds the Mariners' career record of 251 homers. A seven-time All-Star center fielder, his fluid swing is the envy of all of baseball.

But, all who watch him wonder, can he do it? Can he break Roger Maris' mark of 61 home runs?

"No. 1, you've got to stay healthy," Griffey said. "No. 2, you've got to be pitched to. No.

3, you've got to stay consistent the whole season."

Griffey hit 49 last year despite missing 20 games because of a broken wrist. He's healed now, but may not continue to see good pitches, even though he's surrounded by good hitters on a first-place team.

"I'm the one guy they don't want to get beat by," he said. "I've got to do it early or in a blowout. If it's close, I'm usually the one that gets walked."

No matter that the likes of Edgar Martinez and Jay Buhner bat behind him, or that AL MVP runnerup Alex Rodriguez hits ahead of him. Griffey is the name that people know, no matter how people say it.

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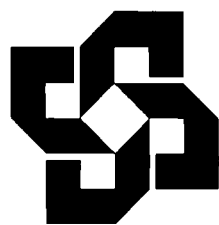
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■ MLB

Wall returns from minors, lifts Astros

Associated Press

HOUSTON — Donne Wall, who hardly impressed anyone in his first major league start of the season, pitched well enough to win in the Astros' 3-1 victory over Colorado on Tuesday.

"He's not going to win any Cy Young Awards or be anybody's No. 1 starter," Houston manager Larry Dierker said. "But he doesn't make a lot of mistakes, and if you play good defense behind him, he'll give you seven innings and give you a chance to win."

Wall, called up from Triple-A New Orleans last week, combined with Russ Springer, Tom Martin and John Hudek to limit the Rockies to seven hits, one more than their season-low.

Sean Berry and Jeff Bagwell homered for the Astros, who ended a three-game losing streak.

"Donne is a good pitcher," Berry said. "He doesn't overpower anybody, and if he gets the ball up he gets hurt, but he's got good control, and when he keeps the ball down, he's effective. He did a great job against one of the better offenses in baseball."

Wall (1-0) was sailing along with a 2-1 lead in the seventh, when he had to leave the game because of groin tightness after allowing five hits and striking out four. John Hudek pitched the ninth for his fourth save in as many opportunities.

"It was tight, so we didn't want to risk getting hurt worse," Wall said. "I know what I can do and I want to be

a part of this team. The guys really played great defense behind me and came up with the clutch hits. This was a team effort. Hopefully, there'll be more to come."

Roger Bailey (3-1) went seven innings, gave up five hits, walked one and hit three batters to take his first loss of the year.

"Their pitcher is similar to ours," Rockies manager Don Baylor said. "They're not overpowering, but they have good control with good breaking balls. Their guy had our hitters out on their front foot a lot."

"You have to give credit to him. He pitched a good game."

"You've got to tip your hat to Donne," Bailey said. "He kept us off balance. He had a good slider and he did the job. The times will be few and far between when you hold our offense down."

The Rockies were hurt by an error by Eric Young on a potential double-play ball in the second that led to the Astros' first run. It was Young's third error in three days.

"He's definitely thinking about his defense now," Baylor said. "There's no way he should have made those errors."

"I'm making the hard plays and not the easy ones," Young said. "It's inexcusable, not acceptable."

Andres Galarraga doubled to the left-field corner to lead off the second inning against Wall. He went to third on Dante Bichette's single to right and later scored.

■ MLB

Cubs continue to rebound

By MIKE NADEL
Associated Press Writer

CHICAGO

In a span of five weeks, Brooks Kieschnick has had two days he'll never forget.

The first came March 26, when he was stunned and saddened to learn he was going to the minor leagues. The second arrived Tuesday, when the rookie showed why he felt he should have been with the Cubs all along.

Kieschnick drove in six runs with two homers and a single as Chicago continued to rebound from its 0-14 start by beating the Montreal Expos 14-8.

"This was definitely fun," said Kieschnick, who is batting .317 with three home runs and 10 RBIs as the starting left fielder since being recalled April 11. "I don't know if it's redemption ... but it feels good to know I can play up here."

Kieschnick, once considered the Cubs' prized prospect, was batting .362 in exhibition games when he was cut in spring training. He thought he had made the team, but manager Jim Riggleman instead chose Brant Brown, more of a speedy singles hitter.

"That was a crusher," Kieschnick said. "I've had some downs in my career and that might have been the biggest. But they were just doing what they thought they had to do and it didn't work out. And now I'm here ... and that's all that counts."

Brown, like the rest of the team, struggled when pitted against some of the best pitching in baseball. Kieschnick, meanwhile, has been part of the club's renaissance.

The Cubs are 6-4 since setting NL records for season-starting futility. And they have

been especially good in going 4-1 since Friday. In those five games, they have scored 37 runs compared to 53 in their first 19 games.

"The Braves and Marlins are putting a lot of hitters in slumps," Brian McRae said, referring to the pitching-rich teams Chicago faced in its first 10 games. "We've said all along that we're going to score some runs, and now we're doing it."

Aided by winds gusting up to 26 mph, the Expos got two home runs from Henry Rodriguez and one each from Darrin Fletcher, Mike Lansing and Shane Andrews. Nevertheless, they lost their third straight game.

"We tried to outslug them but didn't do it," Fletcher said. "The most important thing was to set a tone in the first inning, and we couldn't keep the lead."

Fletcher's three-run homer and Rodriguez's solo shot on consecutive pitches by Steve Trachsel (1-3) put the Expos up 5-0 in the first.

But the Cubs came right back with three runs, the last two on Kieschnick's homer. And when Kieschnick followed with a three-run shot in the third, the score was 6-6.

Both homers cleared the right-field bleachers and landed on the street outside Wrigley Field.

Trachsel, who got his first victory despite allowing seven runs in five innings, helped himself by doubling home the tying run in the fourth and then scoring on Shawon Dunston's double as Chicago took an 8-7 lead.

The Cubs broke open the game with a six-run sixth that included Kieschnick's RBI single and Dave Clark's two-run pinch double.

"The ballpark has been here for years and the wind has been blowing for years," Montreal manager Felipe Alou said.

"I can't use the wind as an excuse. Everytime we scored, they scored. We just couldn't shut them down."

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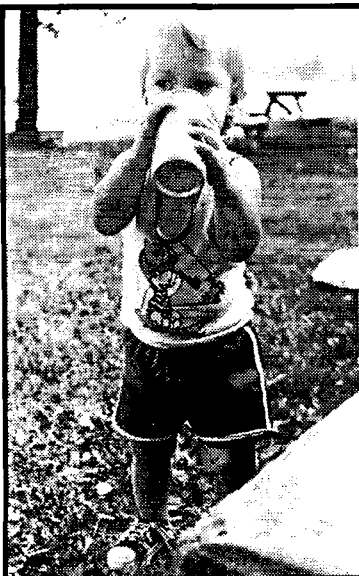
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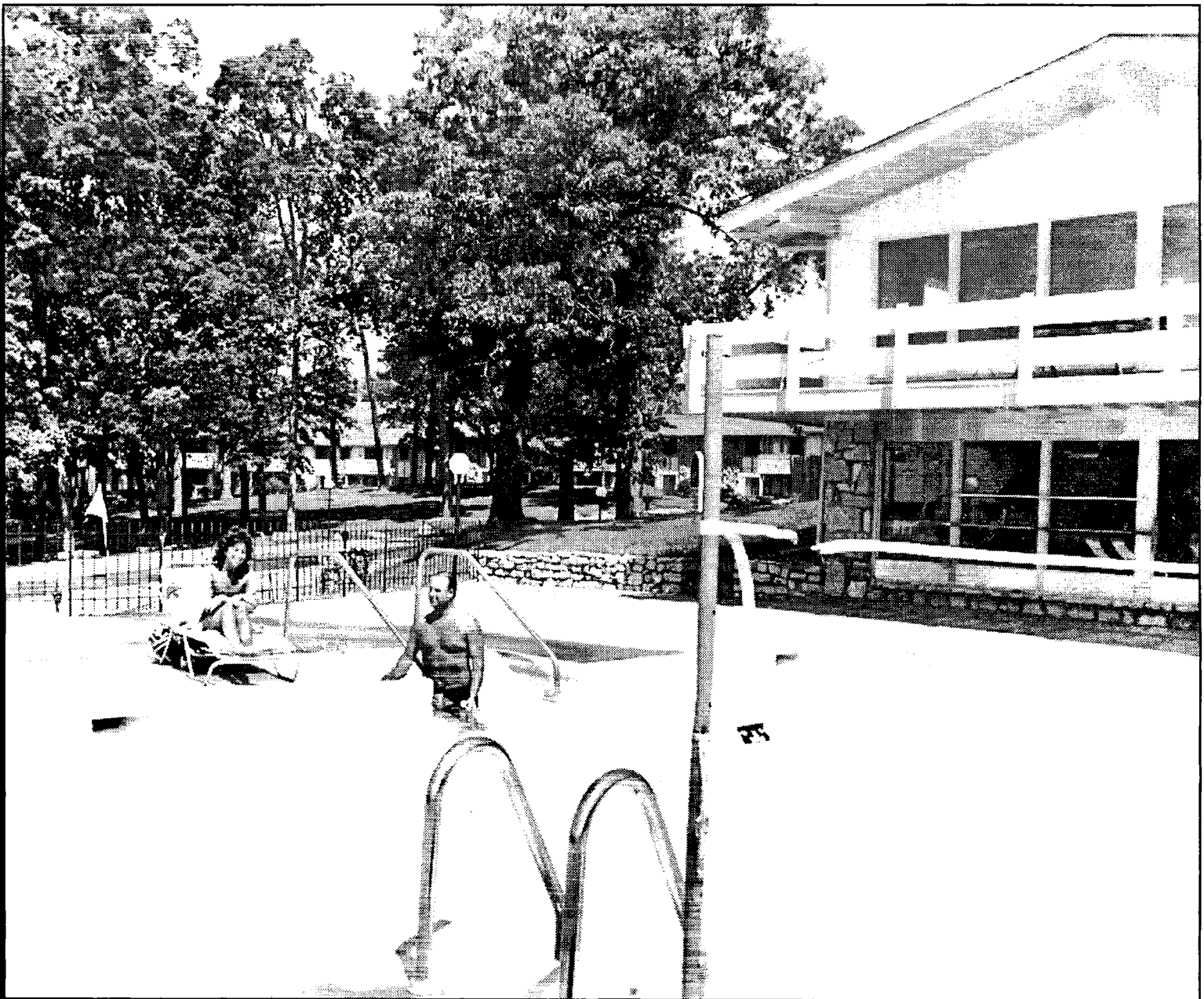
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■ NBA

Hunter lifts Pistons over Hawks, 99-91

By HARRY ATKINS
Associated Press Writer

AUBURN HILLS, Mich. Lindsey Hunter scored 26 points and again kept Mookie Blaylock out of the flow as the Detroit Pistons defeated the Atlanta Hawks 99-91 Tuesday night to take a 2-1 lead in their best-of-5 series.

Game 4 in the series will be played Friday night at The Palace. The fifth game, if needed, would be Sunday at Atlanta.

This game came down to Atlanta's towering frontcourt against Detroit's perimeter shooting. And while the Hawks had a 41-21 edge in rebounding, the Pistons shot 53 percent from the field and 8-of-14 from 3-point range. Atlanta, by comparison, was 5-for-23 on 3-pointers.

Grant Hill scored 24 for Detroit with eight assists and four rebounds. Hunter shot 11-of-17, including 4-for-5 on 3-

pointers, Terry Mills had 17 points and Otis Thorpe 16.

Dikembe Mutombo had 15 points and a playoff career-high 21 boards, Christian Laettner scored 25 points and Steve Smith 21 for the Hawks.

Blaylock, who averaged 17.4 points during the regular season, finished with 16 points, but nine came in the fourth quarter when the Hawks were trying to play catchup.

The Pistons, aided by 10 Atlanta turnovers and the hot hand of Hunter, led 56-40 at halftime. But the Hawks, behind 10 points from Laettner, closed to 72-66 by the end of the third quarter.

Blaylock's four-point play — a 3-pointer and a free-throw — closed the gap to 76-75 with 8:25 left in the fourth quarter.

But Hunter and Mills each hit 3-pointers and Thorpe had a three-point play to give Detroit an 85-79 edge with 5:51 remaining.

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Eastern Conference

First Round Best-of-5 Semifinals Best-of-7 Finals Best-of-7

1 Chicago Chicago leads 2-0
8 Washington
4 Atlanta Detroit leads 2-1
5 Detroit
2 Miami Miami leads 2-1
7 Orlando
3 New York (3-0) New York
6 Charlotte

Western Conference

First Round Best-of-5 Semifinals Best-of-7 Finals Best-of-7

1 Utah (3-0)
8 LA Clippers
LA leads 2-0
4 LA Lakers
5 Portland
2 Seattle
Tied 1-1 late game not included
7 Phoenix
Houston
3 Houston
6 Minnesota

NBA Finals Best-of-7

The Observer/ Melissa Weber

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5. Oh...Pavis is coming out for the weekend again...on Wednesday.
4. Look. There's a tuttooni walking to campus - there MUST be a game on.
3. The Glasgow lassies (how were those Big-... .., Z?)
2. BUT...we live SO close to campus.
1. The real-live Striptease: Angelique (woooooooo!!)
Props to el Gran Chincon.
Peace to The Creek 38
O'Malley, Big G, the Z, and T. Honorable Mention: Pavissimo and the C---.
Peace. Love. Out.
The Trini.

I never touched the ball before!

Tami,
the hill was a blast!
SB

Flanner Boys,
Thank you for the great weekend!
Love, Merideth Smith

It's been a long time since I've been on a three hour tour, ... a three hour tour.
-The Skipper

Ba, Chana, Drew,
You are finally corrupted!
Love, the Bar Queen

Get your hand off my thigh!

Erek-
I put your name in the paper a zillion times.
Where's the gratitude?
Love, H.

338 McGlinn Hall will be the party room next year. How else could you get us to clean?

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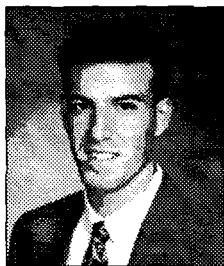
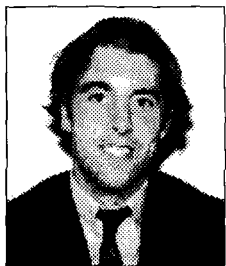
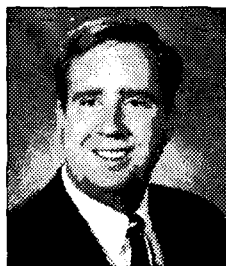
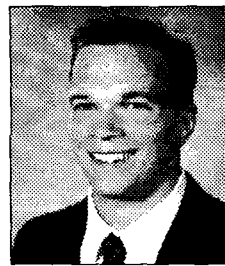
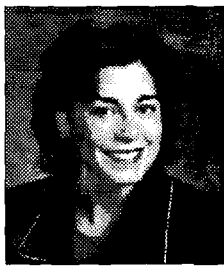
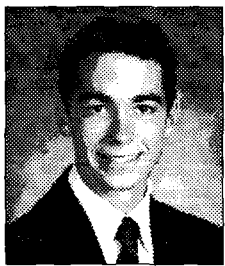
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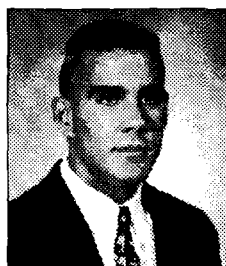
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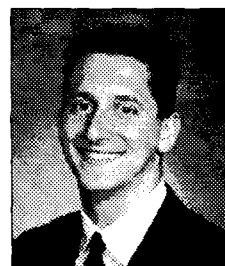
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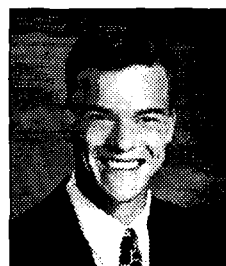
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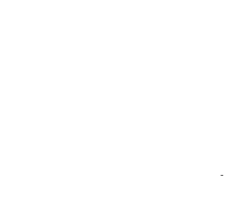
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■ NBA

Hardaway lifts Magic over Heat

By FRED GOODALL
Associated Press Writer

ORLANDO, Fla.

Just when it looked like the Orlando Magic were going to be blown out in a third straight game and swept out of the playoffs for a fourth straight year, Penny Hardaway imposed his will.

Hardaway scored a career postseason-high 42 points and Orlando rallied from a 20-point first half deficit for an 88-75 victory over the Miami Heat on Tuesday night to cut the Magic's deficit to 2-1 in the best-of-5 series.

"I knew I had to take responsibility for this team. I knew I had to score for us to win," said Hardaway, who was 16-for-30 from the field and grabbed eight rebounds in 47 minutes.

"The more shots I hit, the more confidence I had, and that got us back into the game."

Darrell Armstrong, Orlando's No. 3 point guard, was an unlikely catalyst for the comeback and had a career-high 21 points with eight assists and four steals.

The injury-riddled Magic played without forward Horace Grant and lost center Rony Seikaly to a foot sprain in the second quarter.

Dennis Scott, a starter during the regular season, played only nine minutes because of sore knees.

Miami, which won Game 1 by 35 and Game 2 by 17, led 35-15 before stumbling. The Heat finished with 20 turnovers after having only 21 combined in the first two games.

"The playoffs will humble you," Miami coach Pat Riley said. "If you are really not focusing on staying in the game, and you're thinking that it's over, a team will come back and get you. We'll just have to come back more disciplined."

The Magic finally shook the stigma of never having won a game after losing the opener of a series. Game 4 is Thursday night with Orlando needing a victory to send the series back to Miami for a decisive fifth game on Sunday.

"I think it's a series again. I think the pressure's back on them, the way we played tonight," Hardaway said. "He definitely gives us a lot of confidence to come into Game 4 and try to win that one."

The winner of the series will face New York in the Eastern Conference semifinals. The Heat denied they were looking ahead to the Knicks after getting off to the fast start.

"We didn't look past them. We came out with the intention to blow them out like we did the previous two games," Alonzo Mourning said. "No team is perfect. But I'm not worried. We know what it's going to take to win the next game and we are going to do it."

Mourning, who sat out much of the second quarter in foul trouble, led Miami with 17 points and 17 rebounds. Voshon Lenard had 14 points and Tim Hardaway scored 12 but shot only 4-of-16 for the Heat.

■ WOMEN'S SOCCER

Petrucelli adds Makinen to replace Daws

Observer Staff Report

Notre Dame women's soccer coach Chris Petrucelli has announced that Finnish national team member Anne Makinen will attend Notre Dame next fall.

A native of Helsinki, Finland, Makinen has played six years of international soccer with the Finnish national team.

Makinen is expected to compete for the center midfielder spot left by 1996 Hermann trophy winner Cindy Daws, who graduates in May and leaves as Notre Dame's all-time leading scorer.

"Anne is exactly what we need in a dominant central midfielder who can come in and replace Cindy Daws," said Petrucelli. "She is one of the most talented incoming players that I have seen in a long

time.

"She will team with Holly Manthei, Shannon Boxx, and Kara Brown and allow us to maintain the quality midfield that we have had the past few years. With Anne, our midfield should be as strong as ever."

"She will be a big addition to our team," Brown said. "She may bring in some diversity and a different style of play that may make us more deadly to our opponents."

When Makinen was 15-years-old, the United European Football Association did not allow her to participate on the Finnish national team, stating that she was too young. She was finally cleared to play at the age of 16 and was named Finnish player of the year at 17. She has played in 40 international games with Finland and scored 10 goals in those contests.

All that experience makes Makinen a veteran even though she will be labeled a freshman.

"Coming in as a 21-year-old, she will bring experience and

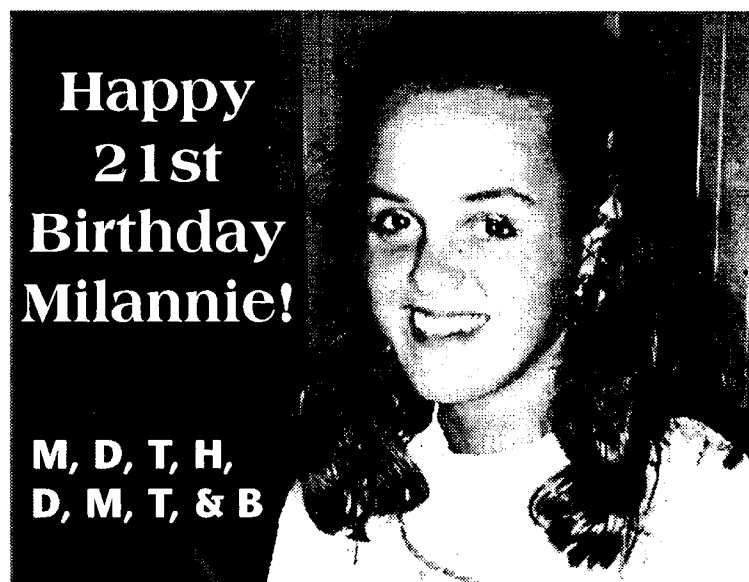
maturity," Brown observed. "She has been committed to the Finland national team, and she has matured by playing with older players."

Makinen joins Kristin Danielson, Meotis Erikson, Monica Gonzalez, Kelly Lindsey, and Stacey Tullock as members of Notre Dame's class of 2001.

Notre Dame is coming off a 24-2 record in 1996, the most wins in school history. The Irish advanced to their third straight NCAA finals appearance, the longest current streak in the nation, finishing the regular season as the top-ranked team in the country for the second time in three years.



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doubles, must also continue to swing a hot bat for Notre Dame. Kara McMahon's clutch hitting will be a necessity for a well-

balanced Irish attack.

"A key for us will be to keep the offense going," said Nichols. "We have to start early and keep (the offense) going the whole game."

On the mound, Angela Bessolo carries a team-leading 13 wins into the post-season,

and looks to dominate hitters as she did in 1996, when she garnered Big East Rookie of the Year honors. While Kelly Nichols' tendinitis has been a recent concern for Notre Dame, her tenacity has been unwavering. Nichols has compiled an 11-4 record, and has not

dropped a decision since April 4. Senior Joy Battersby must continue her mastery over Big East opponents, against whom she has a 5-1 record.

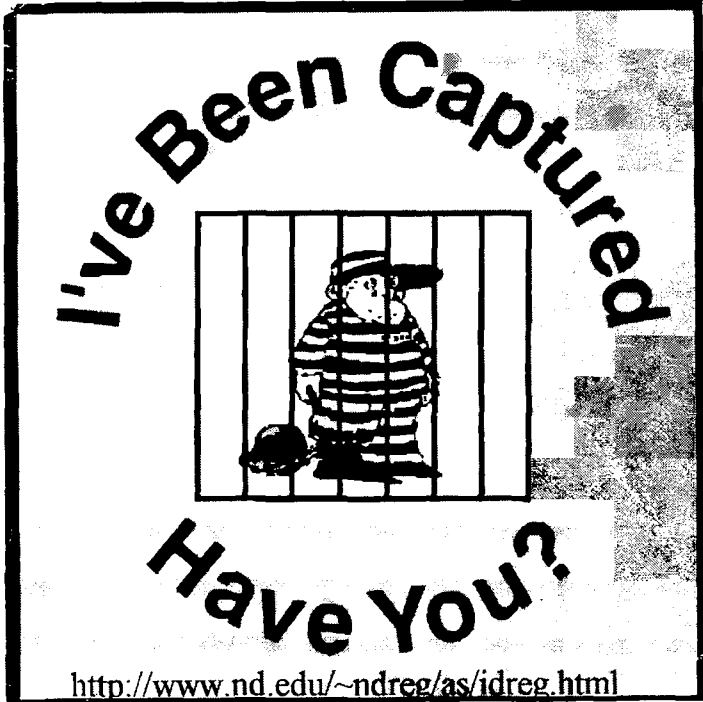
"Our goal will be to stay ahead in the count, and let (the opposition) hit the pitches we want them to hit," Nichols said.

For an Irish team that has

endured a season of ups and downs, the Big East conference tournament poses a daunting task.

The Notre Dame Fighting Irish will be in for a dog fight this weekend, especially with the Connecticut Huskies hoping to repeat as conference champions.

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The Observer/Brandon Candura
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Jennifer Hall and the Irish hope to equal last year's NCAA success.

The Observer/Brandon Candura

■ WOMEN'S TENNIS

Irish prepare for NCAA

By BILL HART
Sports Writer

For most students, the school year ends next week. But for the Notre Dame's women's tennis team, as finals end, the real competition begins.

On May 9, the No. 19 Irish begin their second straight tournament run in the NCAA regionals at the Courtney Tennis Center.

This year, the Irish are seeded second in the Midwest Region. In the first round, the team plays Illinois, the lowest ranked team in the region.

"We played the Illini on our first match of the season," head coach Jay Louderback commented. "We beat them 6-3, but we lost co-captain Erin Gowen for the entire season. She took a sizable lead but was forced to forfeit the match."

"Illinois is a tough team to go up against, but once you get into the regionals, every team's fired up and ready to play."

The top seed in the Midwest, South Carolina, also has faced the Irish in recent years.

"Last year, we defeated them 6-2 in the middle of the season. They're ranked 16th in the country, and they've been very successful this year. They're not a team to be taken lightly."

The Irish enter the regionals on a seven-game winning streak, which

began on April 8 against Indiana. Six of their last seven wins have been shutouts. However, while the team does have the momentum, it has been difficult to find time to prepare.

"After the Big East championships, we were able to practice for a couple of days," Louderback remarked. "But the finals next week forced us to rearrange the training schedules. It's difficult to get the whole team together at one time, and we don't get a chance for our doubles teams to practice as often as we'd like."

Last year, Notre Dame was ranked No. 10 in the nation at the end of the year and got an automatic bid to the Sweet 16. There, the Irish went 1-1 in the tournament, defeating BYU 5-0 in the first round before losing to No. 2 Stanford 8-1 in the quarterfinals.

"Our biggest advantage is that we'll be playing on our home court," freshman Sarah Scaringe commented. "We've been able to play on the outside courts a lot these past few weeks, and we're very accustomed to it by now."

"I think we're definitely ready to compete right now," sophomore Jennifer Hall said. "It'll be a little different from last year because we aren't automatically in the Sweet 16, but that doesn't change our goals. It's just a matter of getting fired up and keeping our momentum."

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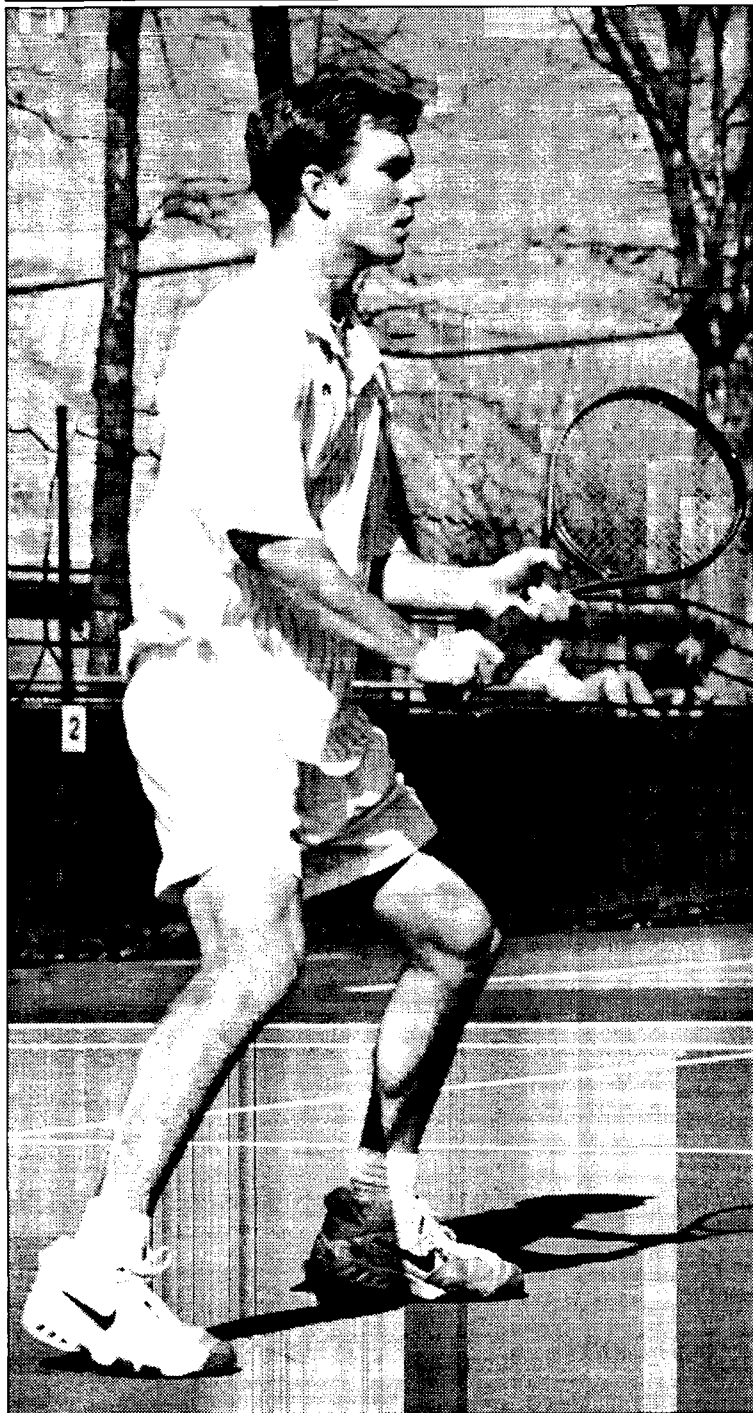
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The Observer/Katie Kroener

After falling to Miami in the Big East tournament, the Irish hope to bounce back in the NCAA regionals.

■ TRACK AND FIELD

Piane signs five recruits to cap off Class of 2001

Observer Staff Report

Notre Dame's men's track and field and cross country head coach Joe Piane has announced the signing of five high school seniors to national letters of intent.

"We are very excited that they have decided to attend Notre Dame," said Piane. "They will fill specific holes for us and will make definite improvements to the team next year."

Jermaine Brown comes to Notre Dame from Brooklyn Park, Minn.

He was the state champion in the 100 meters, which he has run in 10.77. Brown will run mainly as a sprinter for the Irish.

A native of Illinois, Robert Dewey will contribute in the throwing events for Notre Dame. He has thrown the shot put 53 feet and has hurled the discus 173 feet.

Ted Higgins finished third in the Illinois state cross country meet. A native of Naperville, Ill., Higgins also ran 9:18 indoors in the 3,000 meters.

Ryan Shay will come to Notre Dame as a four-time cross country champion in Michigan. Shay won the cross country championship all four years.

Anthony Alt is another cross country runner who will run for the Irish next year. The Waverly, Neb., native also won a cross country state championship.

■ MEN'S TENNIS

Irish attempt to bounce back

By JIM ZALETA
Sports Writer

After suffering a disappointing upset loss to the University of Miami in the Big East tournament finals on April 20, the Irish men's tennis team is looking to the sweep the NCAA Midwest regionals and advance to the NCAA finals in Los Angeles.

The Irish have their work cut out for them at the regionals. Two of their toughest opponents during the season will be there: Northwestern and Illinois.

Illinois defeated Northwestern in the championship game of the Big Ten tournament last week. The Irish defeated both teams earlier in the season. They won 5-2 against the Illini back in January.

"We are excited that we are playing well early in the season," said head coach Bobby Bayliss. "We are competing better than in the past couple of years."

The team was off to a 5-0 start at the time. Little did Bayliss know that the Irish would keep up this pace and remain in the top 25 for the entire season. The Illinois win was monumental for the Irish, proving that they would be contenders throughout the season. It gave them momentum that would lead them on for the entire season.

If the Irish face No. 18

Illinois in the tournament, they have to watch out for freshman Cary Franklin. Franklin received the Big Ten freshman of the year award and defeated conference player of the year Alex Witt of Northwestern at No. 1 singles in the Big Ten championship match.

Witt also fell victim this year to Notre Dame freshman Ryan Sachire, who defeated him earlier his season in two quick sets.

The Irish have had much success against ranked opponents this season. Notre Dame's strong middle and lower parts of the lineup have been consistent throughout the season. Junior Eric Enloe and fifth-year senior Marco Magnano had secured the No. 6 spot for the Irish.

Bayliss commented earlier in the season how the lower part of the lineup has won many matches for the team.

"Where most teams drop off after No. 3 singles, we stay strong," Bayliss said.

"Overall aggressiveness has kept us strong all year," Sachire said. "We have to keep our 'blue collar' attitude to stay strong."

"We have to keep playing hard," Magnano said. "We can beat any team on any given day as long as we stay focused on our game plan."

The winner of the Midwest regional will join the winners of the other seven regions along with the eight other top teams in the nation to compete in the NCAA finals in Los Angeles on May 17-25. Some team members, such as Sachire and the doubles pair of junior Jakub Pietrowski and sophomore Brian Patterson, may compete as individuals in the tournament.

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■ SAINT MARY'S SOFTBALL

Belles capture home finale

By MEGAN OSWALD
Assistant Saint Mary's Sports Editor

The Saint Mary's softball team ended its home season with a 5-3 win against Adrian College on Tuesday.

The game remained scoreless until Adrian batted in a run in the fourth inning. The Belles quickly answered back in the bottom of the fourth with a scor-

ing run by Sara Martin. Third baseman Andrea Arena completed the hitting streak with two more runs for the Belles.

Adrian tied the score in the fifth. In the sixth, Arena, with her second hit, scored senior Katie Maxbauer to give Saint Mary's the advantage. Arena then scored on a base hit by Julie Duba, making the score 5-3.

"We've really picked it up a notch in this game," replied Arena. "A couple of weeks ago, it would have slipped away. In this game we were intense until the end."

Pitcher Liz Shevik only allowed one base hit during the seventh, making it impossible for Adrian to come back and win.

"The bats were working great for us today," said Shevik. "We really pulled it off in the last inning."

The Belles' final game is this Saturday against the University of Chicago.

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■ MEN'S GOLF

Irish take third place

By GENE BRTALIK
Sports Writer

This past weekend at the Cleveland State Invitational saw the Notre Dame men's golf team finish one stroke out of the runner-up spot in a 13-team field.

The Irish carded a final round 301 to go along with their opening round scores of 312 and 293, finishing with a total of 906 strokes, right behind Cincinnati's 905.

Leading the Irish this weekend was junior and next year's captain Bryan Weeks, who finished fifth in a 67 person field. Weeks shot a two-under-70 in the second round and finished the tournament with a 222, two strokes away from the leader.

Weeks finished the season with a stroke average of 75.00 and finished the year with a stroke average of 76.00. By leading the team at Cleveland State, Weeks has now led the team 11 times during his career, the most from any golfer in the 1990s. Weeks also owns the career stroke average mark this decade with a 76.68

in 66 rounds.

Four strokes behind Weeks was one of this year's co-captains, Brian Donohoe. Donohoe struggled the first day, shooting a 78 and a 79 in the first two rounds. On the final day though, Donohoe shot a three-under-69, tying the lowest score by an Irish golfer this decade.

Donohoe was followed by his fellow co-captain Joel Hepler, who shot a 227 and recorded an even par 72 on the second day. Both Hepler and Donohoe fittingly concluded their careers with nearly identical season stroke averages (75.56 and 75.64, respectively).

Overall, the Irish finished in the top six in all of their tournaments this spring. They finished with a team stroke average of 303.64, which factors out to a 75.91 stroke average for each individual. Not one member of the team had a stroke average higher than 78 for the year.

The Irish now have the summer off to work on their game until next fall when they defend their back-to-back Big East championships.

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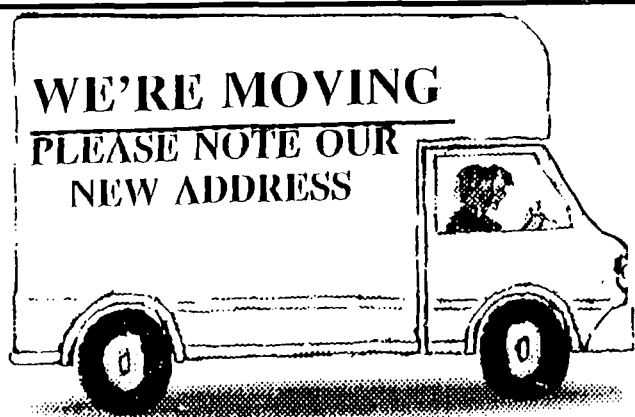
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JOCK STRIP

There's no such thing as a loyal sports fan anymore

"All right, Dos Geses won Bookstore this year," so exclaimed my friend Phil C. the other day. Quickly I reminded him that he was the same person that rooted for Primetime until they lost and Hot Carl and the Steamers before that.



Gene Btralik
Sports Writer

With the NBA and NHL playoffs upon us, now it is time for the true fans to come out and support their team throughout the playoffs.

But what makes a true fan? And what draws people to certain teams? Usually we all become fans at very young ages, rooting for the teams that originate in our home states, or surrounding areas. We sat there rooting on the team not knowing the names of the players but knowing that our team was winning or losing and that the team needed us to cheer them on.

As we grew up, we began to take in more about the game, learning the players' names and even watching all-star games to learn about the players on other teams. Yet, we still couldn't

understand why we would lose to certain teams or why players that were good were traded for so-called no-name minor leaguers.

Throughout Little League, we would mimic our favorite players and hope to get our favorite team's colors for our jerseys. Today, most of us have gotten past that stage. We realize that our team won't win the championship every year, and we know that maybe trading a marquee superstar and picking up lesser players will help our team in the years to come.

We sit through the seasons filled with disaster and continue to cheer. This is what makes a true fan. One who is loyal to his team through thick and thin.

Coming from New York with almost three teams to root for in every sport makes it hard to sway one's loyalty to one side, but it is done by everyone in the state. Just to clear up some premonitions about New York fans, it is not possible to root for all three teams in the same sport. It is unheard of. Believe me, I've tried.

Take the World Series last year, the New York Yankees were one win away from winning the championship, and my New York Mets affiliation would have me side with the Braves (a division rival) before the

Yankees.

Hockey is the worst of the major sports to split your affiliation. No one is an Islanders and Rangers fan; just sit through one hockey game when they play each other and you will find out. The fans take these four games more serious than the players, with fights breaking out in the stands after goals, penalties, or any other stoppage of play.

Although none of the teams I support have won a championship since 1990, I still find out the score of each game and cheer them on whenever I can. There are the opposites to this kind of fandom. Many people refer to these people as frontrunners, bandwagon jumpers, or according to the band Hootie and the Blowfish, fairweather johnsons. These people are sort of like my friend Phil. They choose a team to root for, and then when their team loses, they choose another to root for.

Their team always wins the championship in every sport. What makes these fans even worse is that they know very little about the team that they now call their own. A little side note. Here's a quick way to test their loyalty: see if they can answer questions about the team, such as the players, coaches, and home arena.

Let me tell you a few stories

about Phil now. He claims to be a die-hard Miami Heat fan (he is from Florida), but after the recent acquisition of Jamal Mashburn, Phil had very little clue about what had gone down, just that Miami now has a big name player.

Phil always asks how the Heat did the night before and then rubs it in one's face when they win. Another Phil story took place about a week ago during Bookstore. Phil confronted the captain of Judas, Pontius Pilate, Mike Wadsworth, and Two Other Traitors and told him that his team had no chance against the bigger, stronger Sixth Man.

The captain, knowing that Phil talks a lot, took this into consideration going into the game. During the game, the captain constantly heard someone yelling "AHHHHH" every time A'Jani Sanders touched the ball.

The captain looked up, and who did he see, but Phil screaming and cheering for his team. Phil is a rare breed of frontrunners, and many of them cannot be found, but these types of frontrunners will always state that this has always been their team.

Many other types of frontrunners that exist are not as bad as Phil. It brings me to Earl. Earl is a native Californian who knows very little about the teams from his state. Whenever one of

his state's teams is playing, he claims that it is his team.

Such was the case three years ago in the Super Bowl when Earl's 49ers took on Earl's Chargers. What separates Earl from Phil is that he realizes that he is not a sports fan and will not brag about the team's success. Frontrunners exist on every campus in almost every sport. At Notre Dame, there are approximately 1,200 bandwagon basketball fans. "What?" you say, "that can't be true." Well, it is. The ticket office sold 800 season basketball tickets at the beginning of the year, and then when the team made its NIT run, new fans sprouted up.

The new fans waited in lines right after the games and caused the season ticket holders to sit in seats they had never sat in before. It is real fun sitting next to people who have no clue who is on the team and then won't let you squeeze a friend in the row.

The problem arises when people try to be fans. They attend games because it is the cool thing to do, or they root for a team because of its colors.

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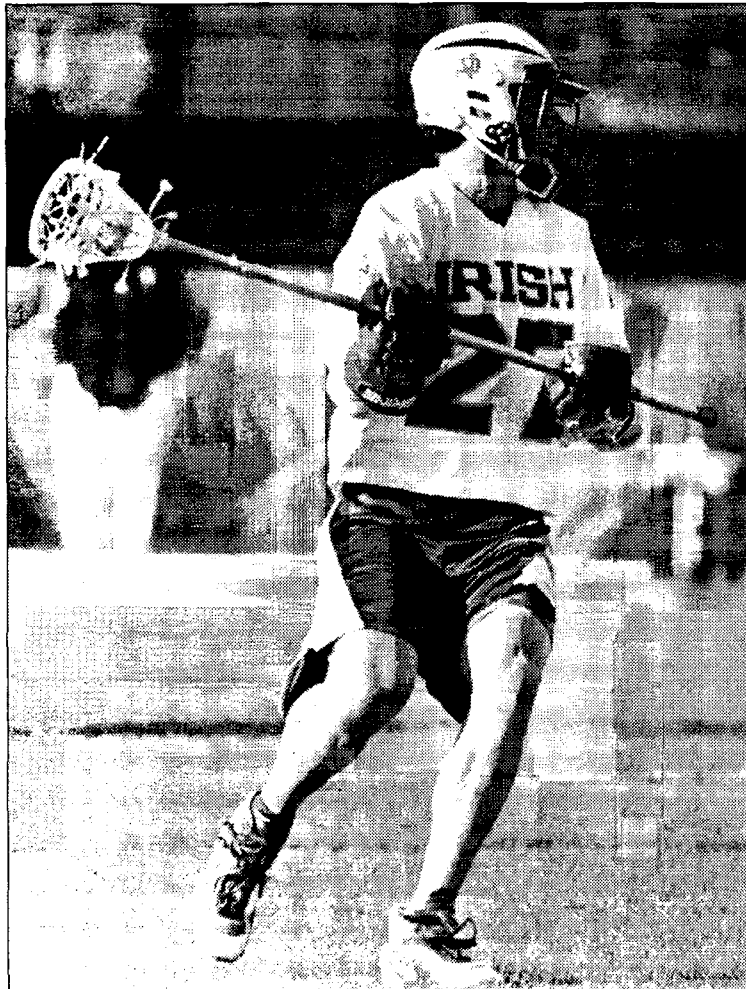
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The Observer/Brandon Candura
Defender Todd Rassas and Notre Dame have lost just twice this year.

M. Lax

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however, the Irish must face the Buckeyes of Ohio State. While a loss to the Buckeyes would not necessarily exclude the Irish from the tournament, a win would guarantee them a bid.

"Ohio State is our last conference game," said Cade, "and it is a game we can't afford to lose."

The 1997 season has been a breakout year for the Irish squad, who hold an 8-2 record

and are the No. 9 ranked team in the country. Their victory over then No. 4 Hofstra was the biggest win in Notre Dame lacrosse history. However, despite the successes that the Irish have enjoyed, they are still unsatisfied with their play.

"We are not real pleased with how we've played," said Cade.

"To the casual observer, having only two losses seems great. But in our wins, we never played the way we wanted to play. We played really bad in our losses."

Added Owen, "We are not

playing to our potential. A lot of our close games should not have been so close. Against Hofstra, we had a 7-0 lead and only won 11-10. It was the same way against Butler. We need to find that killer instinct."

The Irish may have found their killer instinct after their 13-5 sacking of Harvard last Sunday. And as it turns out, they could not have found it at a better time.

"We are a team with a tremendous sense of competition," said Cade. "We have the spirit that it takes to win."

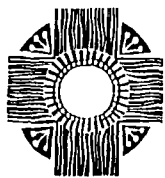


The Observer/Brandon Candura
With only two losses on the season, the Irish lacrosse team has its sights set on a national championship.



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Notre Dame continues its home stand on Thursday when it hosts Chicago State at Eck Stadium.

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Baseball

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Allen Greene's sacrifice fly plated Brooks. Felker struck again with a clutch two-out double to score Amrhein.

J.J. Brock reached after being hit by a pitch in the fourth. After a wild pitch, Amrhein singled off the glove of Crusader shortstop Kyle Musser to extend the lead to 5-1.

Notre Dame broke the game open further with a four-run fifth. Felker started the rally with a walk, stole second, and advanced to third on an errant throw that found its way into

centerfield. Todd Frye walked and Brock singled through the hole on the left side of the infield to score Felker.

Perconte followed with a single, allowing Frye to score. Amrhein's RBI single capped the rally, giving the Irish a very comfortable lead.

The crusade for Valpariaso was not over quite yet, however, as they got to Widelski in the sixth for three runs before

knocking senior righthander Mike Balicki for one in the seventh, closing the gap, 9-5.

Notre Dame's Larry Mohs came in to close the game and pitched the last two innings, giving up one run on one hit and two free passes.

This weekend, the Irish will play host to Georgetown for three games, battling the Hoyas in a doubleheader on Saturday before the finale on Sunday.



1997 Baseball Schedule

May 1	Chicago State	Home (6 pm)
May 3	Georgetown (DH)	Home (Noon)
May 4	Georgetown	Home (Noon)
May 10	Univ. of Chicago	Home (Noon)
May 11	Indiana Tech	Home (Noon)
May 13-16	BIG EAST	Norwich, CT
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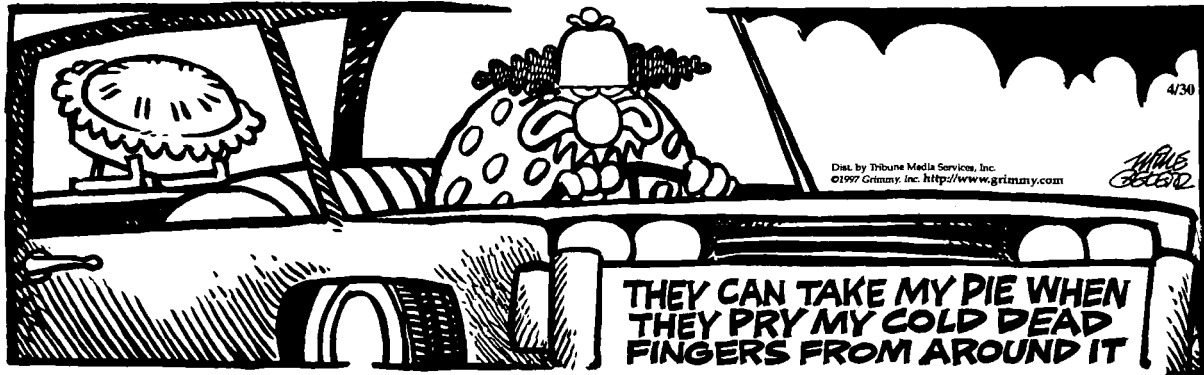
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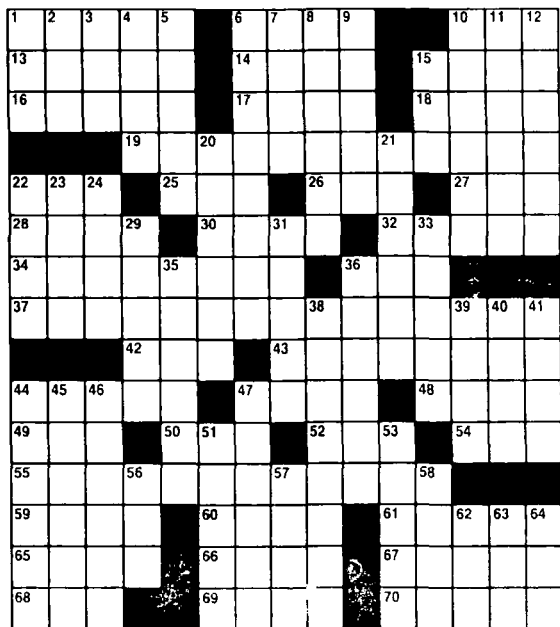
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- 10 Drivel
- 13 Shiraz native
- 14 Moundsman Hersher
- 15 Make a pitch
- 16 Trattoria staple
- 17 Noodges
- 18 Atahualpa was one
- 19 When an actress can see forever?
- 22 "Gunsmoke" appeared on it
- 25 Original sinner
- 26 Kickoff aid
- 27 Suffix with labyrinth

- 28 Black-and-white snack
- 30 Golden Fleece craft
- 32 Horse opera
- 34 Jamboree locale
- 36 Hwy.
- 37 Obese author's admission?
- 42 E.R. devices
- 43 More exquisite one
- 44 Lawn game
- 47 Terrarium plant
- 48 China setting
- 49 A "Road" destination
- 50 Columbus initials
- 52 Candle count
- 54 Strive

- 55 Masochistic trumpeter's prediction?
- 59 Fine-edged
- 60 Peek—
- 61 Disconcerted
- 65 Messes up
- 66 Oversupply
- 67 Hopping mad
- 68 Compass pt.
- 69 Antitoxins
- 70 Himalayan kingdom

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- 1 Sample, as wine
- 2 Coach Parseghian
- 3 Vegas opening
- 4 Opposed
- 5 "Cheers" character
- 6 Orchestral offering
- 7 Spoken
- 8 Smoothly, to Solti
- 9 Old comic actress—Janis
- 10 Learned one
- 11 Secret
- 12 Cast member
- 15 Get a move on
- 20 Profits
- 21 Go back into business
- 22 Caesar's sidekick



Puzzle by Richard Silvestri

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- 24 Highway hauler
- 29 Kind of nerve
- 31 Crystal-lined rock
- 33 Dog from Japan
- 35 Delivery person?
- 36 Emotional pang
- 38 Circus Hall of Fame site
- 39 Main point
- 40 One who succeeds
- 41 Busboy's pickup
- 44 Part of a road test
- 45 Edmonton icemen
- 46 Stick together
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- 51 Bucks
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1997 Yearbooks are here! Come to 108 LaFortune and pick up your yearbook from 10 to 5 p.m. You can also pick up past books as well. Dogbooks are on sale too, all years, from Wednesday to Friday.

Seniors from the Class of 1997 have initiated a pledge for thinking about social and environmental justice issues in the future of their working lives. Please join and sign the pledge, both faculty and seniors, and wear a green ribbon with us at graduation to symbolize our solidarity in peace and justice. They will be available at the CSC through Friday. For more information, call Megan Stolz at 271-9651.

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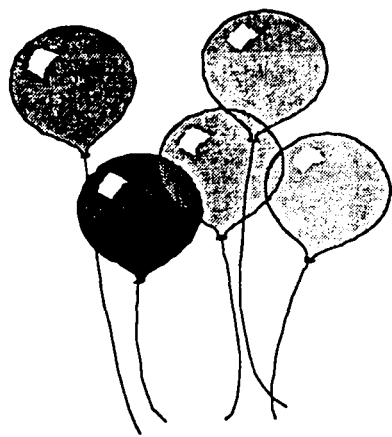
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■ BASEBALL

Irish topple hapless Crusaders

Notre Dame explodes at the plate in 10-6 win

By JOE CAVATO
Assistant Sports Editor

The Notre Dame baseball team did not get to visit the friendly confines of Eck Stadium until March 20, 17 games into the season.

But since then the Irish have taken advantage, improving their home mark to 19-2 last night with a 10-6 triumph over the Crusaders of Valparaiso.

The now 33-17 Irish are currently batting .335 as a team, which would break the previous record set in 1989 and '93 of .334. The team is also flexing its muscles at the plate. Freshman first baseman Jeff Felker's solo shot gives the squad 56 on the year, which ranks as the fifth most in team history, eight short of the team record set in 1993.

After the Crusaders (18-24) put one on the board in the first off Irish starter Scott Cavey, Notre Dame responded by scoring in every inning from the second through the

fifth to bounce back and take a commanding 9-1 lead.

Leading the way for the offense was catcher Mike Amrhein, who gave the Crusader pitching staff a case of whiplash, going 3-for-4 with three RBIs and a run scored.

In the leadoff slot, right fielder Jeff Perconte also had a good day at the plate. He set the table for the Irish, going 2-for-3 and scoring three runs. Perconte reached base four times on the evening, including two walks.

Felker got the team going when he homered in the third to give his team the lead. Felker went 2-for-4, scoring two runs and driving in two.

With starter Scott Cavey lasting just one inning, Wally Widelski pitched five innings, giving up three runs on four hits to pick up the win and improve his record to 3-0.

After Felker's fourth dinner of the season in the second, the Irish began to take control in the bottom of the third. Perconte and Randall Brooks drew walks to lead off the inning before Amrhein went to work. His double down the right field line brought home Perconte before sophomore



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First baseman Jeff Felker helped spark the Irish with solid defense and his fourth home run of the year.

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■ MEN'S LACROSSE

Lax squad aims at ultimate goal

By ERIK KUSHTO
Sports Writer

Long after the rest of Notre Dame students travel back home, relieved of the pressures of finals and college life, the men's lacrosse team will still be practicing and preparing for its biggest test of the year: a shot at a national championship.

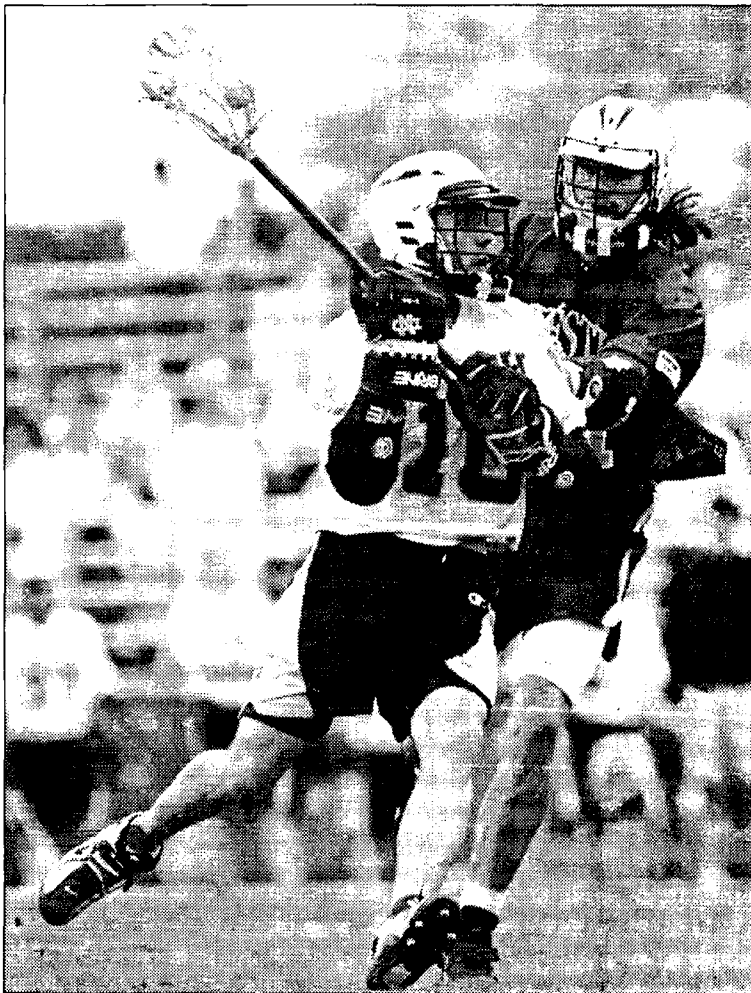
It is a goal that the team set at the beginning of the year. It is a dream that Irish coach Kevin Corrigan thinks the team can achieve. It is a dream that may very well come true.

"At the beginning of the year, Coach Corrigan said that this is the team that could go all the way," explained sophomore midfielder Brad Owen. "I think that our chances (of winning the national championship) are really good."

Junior All-American goaltender Alex Cade agrees.

"I feel great about our chances," said Cade. "Our two losses this year were both by one goal. Right now, we are playing with confidence. We just need to put it all together for the tournament."

Before the tournament,



The Observer/Brandon Candura

Junior midfielder Dan Butler holds off a defender in Notre Dame's upset victory over Hofstra on April 5.

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■ SOFTBALL

Notre Dame attempts to harness Broncos

By ALLISON KRILLA
Sports Writer

While the Broncos of Western Michigan invade Ivy Field tomorrow for an afternoon

double-header, the Irish have their sights set on the Big East conference championships this weekend in Storrs, Conn.

"As a team, we're excited going into the Big East tournament," said pitcher Kelly Nichols. "I think our (team) meeting on Monday (to discuss the Big East championships) was good to get us fired up."

After finishing the Big East regular season with a 16-4 conference mark, it's do-or-die time for Notre Dame, with a chance for revenge against the Connecticut Huskies well within reach. In 1996, the Irish fell to the Huskies, 1-0, in the final game of the conference championships. Notre Dame had beaten Connecticut in both reg-

ular season games last season, before the disappointing loss in the championships.

This year, the squad has shown signs of vulnerability, suffering four times as many losses in conference play as last season. Notre Dame dropped two games to Boston College, and one apiece to Connecticut and Rutgers. To claim the conference title, the Irish will have to face all three teams that have given them problems this spring.

"Every team in the tournament has beaten us, and we're out to prove that we're number one," said Nichols.

Keys for the Irish run at the Big East title include a return to mid-season form for the offense and solid innings from a weary pitching staff.

Co-captains Katie Marten and Meghan Murray must lead the offensive charge, as they have all season long. Both Marten and Murray have led the team and the Big East in batting average, and must continue to produce if the Irish are to find post-season success. Liz Perkins, with a team-leading 14



Nichols

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