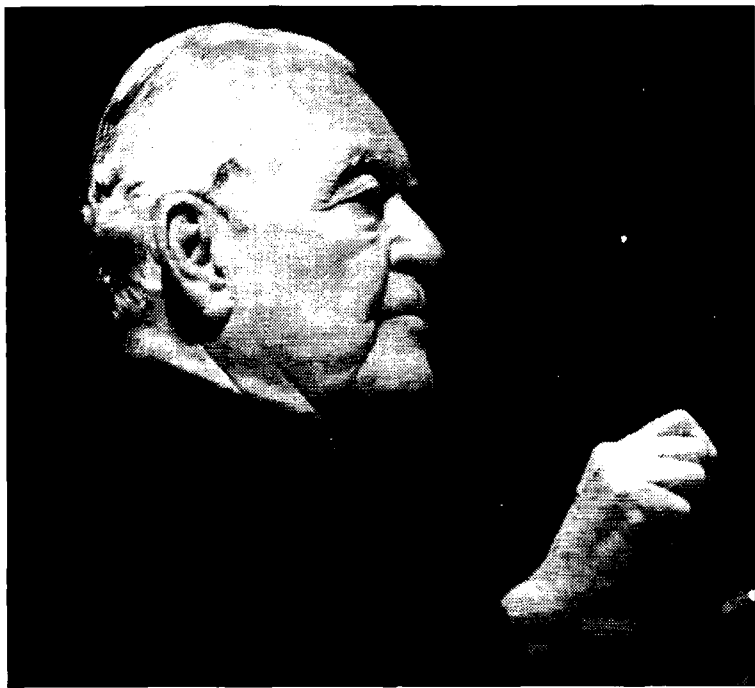


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Students, faculty honor India's independence



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Father Theodore Hesburgh, the final speaker at yesterday's symposium honoring India's 50 years of independence, discussed his travel in that country.

By ANNE MARIE MATTINGLY
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In an effort to expose the Notre Dame community to the past, present and future of India, faculty and students gathered yesterday to honor the 50th anniversary of the nation's independence.

Sponsors for the event included the South Asia Studies Group, the India Association of Notre Dame, the Office of the Provost and the Helen Kellogg Institute for International Studies.

"We wanted to increase awareness about the large country of India, a country that shares many goals and beliefs with the United States and to celebrate [India's] independence," said Arvind Varma, a professor of Chemical Engineering who helped to coordinate the event.

"We wanted to emphasize political and economic aspects, as well as religion and art," said Varma. To achieve this goal, the members of the Fiftieth Anniversary Program Committee selected three speakers, each of whom focused on a different aspects of Indian life and culture.

Susanne Randolph, professor of political science at the University of Chicago, addressed the development of the political and economic sys-

tems of India that has taken place throughout the last half-century. She emphasized the pluralist nature of India, commenting that the country is a "multinational state" that has learned many ways to approach its diversity.

"The nation has changed from a system of state centralization, a government running as a unitary federalism. Now it runs by a method of de-centralized federalism," explained Randolph.

Randolph attributed the distribution of national power to local centers of authority to the federal government's relinquishing some of its control over the economy, as well as to changes in the party structure.

"[India] changed because its central command economy has given way to economic reforms and liberalization, and because its one-party system gave way to a multi-party system strongly influenced by regional parties," Randolph said.

The symposium's second speaker, University of Florida professor of religion Vasudha Narayanan, discussed Hinduism in the United States and India by describing Hindu temples, while showing corresponding slides.

"Traditional architecture is a source of power," Narayanan stated. "The size of deity is

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Student Senate ready to begin '98-'99 term

By TIM LOGAN
News Writer

A new era in student government will begin tonight with the initiation of the new Student Senate term, one of several student union institutions being turned over to new hands this week.

Twenty-six new representatives will join two returning members of the Senate, which will be led by student body vice-president Andrea Selak. Among these are 10 freshmen, 11 sophomores and three juniors. Four residence halls have not yet elected their senators.

The two returning senators are Matt Mamak from Keenan Hall, and Melissa Balchunas

from Lyons Hall. Mamak was chair of the Senate's Oversight Committee last year, and worked extensively on improvements in the Student Union Constitution. Balchunas took over the Lyons seat in January and was unable to serve on any committees due to her short tenure on the Senate.

Both Mamak and Balchunas hope to continue work on issues debated by the '97-'98 body.

"I wanted to ensure that a lot of our projects were continued, and that we can move into new areas," said Mamak about running for a second term. He highlighted laundry service in

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Studying the Great Irish Rebellion ...



The Observer/Liz Lang

The Great Irish Rebellion Convention continued yesterday with three sessions of two addresses each. Daniel Gahan of the University of Evansville began today's proceedings with a lecture on the impact of the revolution in county Wexford. He was followed by Notre Dame's Kevin Whelan, who compared the Irish revolution of 1798 to the American and French revolutions. David Miller of Carnegie Mellon and Michael Durey of Murdoch University spoke at the second session of the day, while Thomas Bartlett of University College, Dublin, and Jim Smyth spoke at the final session. Pictured above are Smyth and moderator Daire Keogh of St. Patrick's College, Drumcondra.

Today's session begins at 10:45 a.m. in the Center for Continuing Education. Seamus Deane will deliver the plenary address at 8 p.m.

Ignatieff analyzes effect of Holocaust

By FINN PRESSLY
News Writer

Michael Ignatieff, noted historian and journalist, gave a series of lectures this week to mark the 50th anniversary of the United Nations' Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

In his talk entitled "Chapters in the History of Moral Imagination: the Universal Declaration of Human Rights," Ignatieff analyzed how European attitudes concerning humanity and human rights were drastically altered by the



Ignatieff

Holocaust, and how those changes are evident in the 1948 Universal Declaration.

He began by examining the pre-war attitudes towards civilization and morality, and how it was thought that the two went hand-in-hand.

"European civilization was thought to civilize instinct," said Ignatieff. Following the horrors of the Holocaust, though, it became apparent that aesthetic cultivation had little effect on moral cultivation.

He then went on to compare the United Nations Charter, drafted in 1945, to the Universal Declaration, and how the documents reflect the historical contexts in which they were written.

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Students prepare for Holy Year

By P. COLLEEN NUGENT
Saint Mary's News Editor

During each Holy Year of the Catholic Church, thousands of people journey to Rome to pass through the Holy Year doors in each of the city's four majestic basilicas.

Despite the fact that many cannot make this pilgrimage, it will still be possible to experience and undertake a deeper understanding of this event.

In participating and experiencing the doors throughout the semesters in LeMans Hall, one can prepare for the Great Jubilee of 2000.

"This spring, the theme to the Jubilee is 'The Door of Our Lives,'" Sr. Betty Smoyer, SND deNamur of campus ministry



stated. "Through themes such as this, we as citizens are going to be able to reflect and think back upon our lives and how they are influenced by the Catholic Church," she added.

This spring, the doors located near the courtyard of LeMans Hall will be decorated. The decorations on the building's main doors will remain until the beginning of the next theme in the fall.

The Holy Years have roots dating back to the 1300s, and have been commemorated

every 25 years. The start of the millennium in the year 2000 will mark the change of life as we celebrate 2000 years of Christ's presence and relation with human kind.

The Great Jubilee marks a 500 year period based on the Hebrew understanding of the Jubilee found in Leviticus 25:25.

Other themes that follow this spring will be 'The Door to Our Hearts', 'The Door to our Homes', and will conclude with 'The Door to the Church,' in the fall of 1999.

One of the main goals of the jubilee for the 21st century will consist of conveying feelings of hospitality, openness, friendli-

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■ INSIDE COLUMN

Spring's here, batter up

Spring began yesterday.

It didn't begin on March 21, with the coming of the vernal equinox. It didn't begin with this unusual stretch of sun and warmth we've been having lately. It began yesterday at about 1:30 p.m. when Bobby Jones of the New York Mets wound up and hurled a ball towards the plate.

That's right, it's baseball season once again. That annual rite of passage is upon us, and we're moving from winter into a better time of year. A time when we can sit beneath the stars and the big lights on a warm night and enjoy a nice, relaxing game of baseball.

Baseball season is a time of hope and enthusiasm, when we are able to get outside and enjoy a sport in the open air after months of trudging around bundled in coats and sweaters. Don't sit at home and watch the game on TV. For a little more than the cost of a movie ticket, you can sit in the bleachers and even get a tan while you absorb the game's beauty.

What's more, in doing this you will share in an experience as common as peanut butter and jelly sandwiches and the senior prom. You will experience baseball the way it's meant to be experienced—at the ballpark, where the memories of the past and the action of the present come together.

These ballparks and their inhabitants have provided us with years of enjoyment and countless memories. From the days of Babe Ruth and Cy Young up to the present, buildings like Fenway Park, Wrigley Field and Yankee Stadium have accumulated as much history as any in the sporting world.

If you've ever watched a game in one of these monuments, you probably understand the atmosphere they possess. If you haven't, I recommend you make the trip, soon.

Baseball is our national pastime, an integral part of American culture in a way basketball, football and hockey could never be. That may be because, like spring, baseball is all about possibility.

You don't have to be 6'6 or 280 pounds to play baseball. Anyone can and almost everyone has. This is true even in the pros, where Craig Counsell, the pint-sized hero of the '97 World Series, can be just as important as Randy Johnson, the towering hurler who has terrorized American League hitters with his blistering fastball for years.

What's more, anyone can win at baseball. Sure, everyone thinks Atlanta, Seattle and the Yankees are the teams to beat this year, but for now we can believe that it will be the Cubs and the Red Sox doing battle in October. Who knows, maybe one of those perennial disappointments will be this year's version of the 1969 Miracle Mets.

Anything can happen in baseball, and over time, everything has.

I think James Earl Jones put it best in the immortal baseball movie "Field of Dreams" when he said, "The one constant through all the years has been baseball ... Baseball has marked the time. This field, this game is a part of our past. It reminds us of all that was once good, and that could be again."

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Outside the Dome

Compiled from U-Wire reports

Students: Indictment will not blemish school's reputation

EVANSTON, Ill.

The indictment of two former Northwestern basketball players on charges of point shaving during the 1994-95 season will not affect NU's prestigious reputation, students said Monday.

NU students expressed mixed emotions about the scandal, from apathy to shock and disbelief. Most students dismissed the controversy as a series of isolated events.

Because the alleged point shaving was committed by student-athletes who have graduated from or left NU, students said, the controversy does not reflect on the university today. Students said the public should not hold NU accountable for the actions of former players Kenneth Dion Lee and Dewey Williams.

"Northwestern's athletes and students should not be held responsible for the isolated actions of those who have



since graduated from the school," said freshman Will Reichel.

Thursday, prosecutors charged Lee and Williams with point shaving, in the midst of the NCAA basketball tournament. Because the scandal was exposed during the height of the college basketball season, NU received more news coverage than usual, students said.

"For the amount of publicity generat-

ed last week, it was almost like Northwestern was the fifth team in the Final Four," said freshman John Mone.

Like many other students, Mone learned of the indictments while watching the NCAA Tournament.

"I saw [athletic director] Rick Taylor addressing the media in a nationally televised press conference," said Ben Pabst, a freshman. "We're not a high-profile sports program yet, so you don't normally expect to see our school as the lead story on 'SportsCenter.'"

Other students read about the scandal in national newspapers such as USA Today, the Chicago Tribune and the Boston Globe.

Because NU's basketball team has been known as the longtime doormat of the Big Ten, students said they were not very concerned about the team.

"Who really cares about NU basketball anyway?" said freshman Alyssa Brightman.

■ HARVARD UNIVERSITY

Professor researches advantages of LSD

CAMBRIDGE, Mass.

First brought to the United States in 1949 by German chemist Max Winkler, the psychedelic drug LSD was initially used and studied by researchers at the Harvard medical school. While immediately banned by the U.S. government, Harvard researchers initiated the idea of using psychedelics as an aid to psychotherapy. In his re-released study "Psychedelic Drugs Reconsidered," Harvard psychiatry professor Lester Grinspoon delves into the heart of the LSD culture and examines the initial Harvard studies on the medical uses of the drug. "The government has such dire views of psychedelics," Grinspoon said. "They only see that these drugs are bad and they don't have a lot of sense that there may be something useful to these drugs." As one of the leading authorities on drug use today, Grinspoon began exposing the true effects and nature of illegal drug use during the 1970's while searching for medical evidence of the negative effects of these drugs.

■ RUTGERS UNIVERSITY

Former student sentenced to probation

NEW BRUNSWICK, N.J.

Former Rutgers University student and basketball player Maurice Brown was sentenced yesterday to three years of probation on two counts of burglary and one count of sexual misconduct, authorities said. Although there originally were eight charges of burglary and several charges of lewdness, Brown agreed to plea guilty on Feb. 5 in exchange for lessened charges and \$4,000 in fines, Middlesex County Assistant Prosecutor Wade Baker said. Brown had no previous criminal record. Brown was represented by Peter Hendrix, a private attorney, who was unavailable for comment last night. Baker said statements from his victims who lived with Brown in Stonier Residence Hall on the College Avenue campus helped to keep Brown from receiving jail time. "All the girls wanted him not to go to jail, but to get help," Baker said. Brown will not serve jail time as long as he continues to see a psychologist, who said Brown has a compulsive foot fetish, Baker said.

■ UNION COLLEGE

Man accused of rape will stand trial

LINCOLN, Neb.

The comedian accused of raping a Union College woman last year has been scheduled to stand trial in Lincoln sometime in the next year. At a preliminary hearing in Lancaster County Court March 19, Vinson Champ's case was bound over to district court on the charge of first-degree sexual assault. Champ, who is being held in Lincoln/Lancaster County Jail in lieu of \$500,000 bond will be in court again at 1:30 p.m. next Wednesday. Champ also has been connected to sexual assaults at Carthage College in Kenosha, Wis., St. Ambrose College in Davenport, Iowa, and in Pasadena, Calif., where he was arrested. Physical evidence including semen samples and the attacker's methods link all the crimes, which occurred during February 1997, according to the arrest warrant. Neither the county attorney nor the public defender in the case would comment.

■ UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA-BERKELEY

Admissions results may be inaccurate

BERKELEY, Calif.

UC-Berkeley students and faculty members held a press conference yesterday to announce what they said are the admissions numbers for UC Berkeley's first entering class without affirmative action, even though university officials denied the legitimacy of the figures. The students announced that without affirmative action, the number of underrepresented minorities has dropped from 18 percent to seven percent. They did not announce, however, how they got the figures. University officials, who are set to officially announce today the admissions results for this fall's entering class, were quick to point out that the figures are wrong. "[The figures] are not accurate," said university spokesperson Jesus Mena. "I don't know where these numbers came from. I don't have any comment about where they came from." According to numbers released in yesterday's press conference, two percent of students admitted to this fall's freshman class are black and five percent are Latino.

■ SOUTH BEND WEATHER

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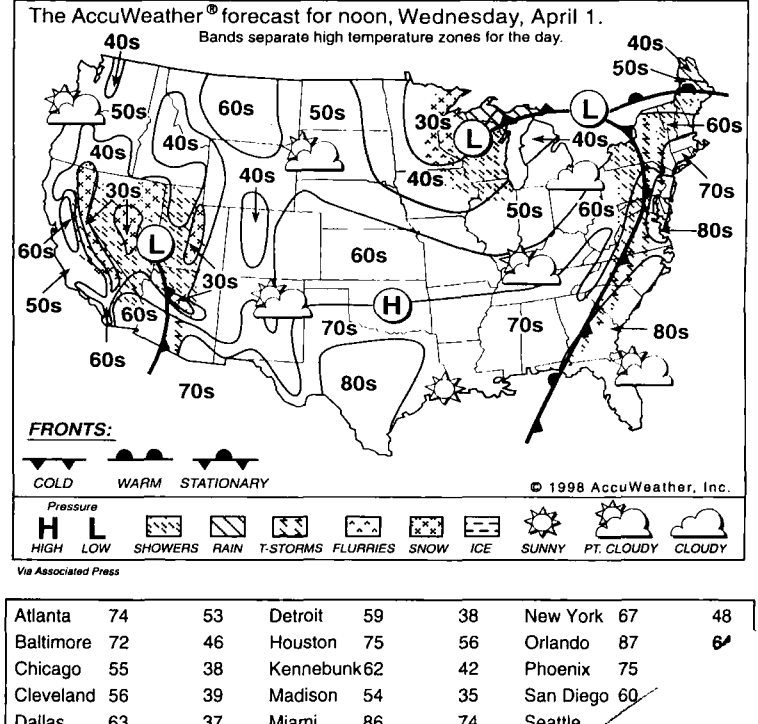
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Women's News

Wednesday, April 1, 1998

FEMALE EDUCATION

Hesburgh: Women improve Notre Dame

By ERICA THESING
News Writer

In August of 1972, the University of Notre Dame opened its doors to female undergraduates.

Accepting applications from incoming female freshmen and transfers from Saint Mary's College, Notre Dame took a major step in the long process of transition to coeducation.

Although the process is still far from complete, Father Theodore Hesburgh, President Emeritus of the University, believes that the presence of women has greatly improved Notre Dame over the last 25 years.

"It seems to me that it's a much better place now than it was before coeducation. The academic standards have constantly risen," he said. "I think it created a different kind of world, but a better world. I'm happy it happened and I'm proud to be a part of it."

Hesburgh thinks that the transition occurred because the time was right for the University.

"I think there's a time to do something and I think the time was right for coeducation," he said. "I would have to say when I became president in 1952, if I had taken a vote of the student body, they would have voted to keep the place as it was, all male. But a lot happened between 1952 and 1972."



Seetch

Pointing to national issues of that time period such as the Civil Rights Movement, the war on poverty and the Vietnam War, Hesburgh acknowledged that the climate fostered new ways of thinking.

"It was just a turbulent time. People changed their minds about a lot of things," he said. "I agreed with [coeducation] because I think that if Notre Dame is going to be a great University, it shouldn't be just a great University for men. It should be a great University for women, too."

Since a very active co-exchange program with Saint Mary's had already existed in 1972, the University first proposed a merger between the two schools. After several years of discussion and rumors, Saint Mary's opted to remain independent.

"I had some fun with the sis-



Hesburgh

AAUW report questions single-sex education

By M. SHANNON RYAN
Saint Mary's Editor

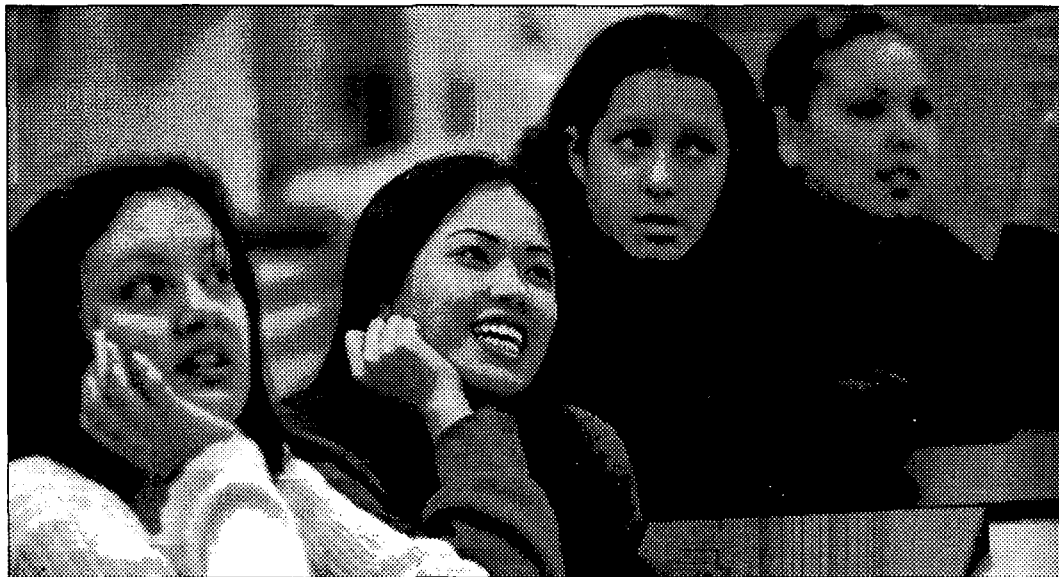
Coed schools shortchange girls, the American Association of University Women said in 1992. Now, six years after this statement, the group that represents 16,000 college graduates reported in mid-March that single-sex education does not serve as the educational refund for girls in grades K-12.

"What the research shows is that separating by sex is not the solution to gender inequity in education," Janice Weinman, executive director of the AAUW, told The New York Times. "What this report says is that single-sex education is not the silver bullet."

The contradictory reports, "How Schools Shortchange Girls" in 1992 and "Separated by Sex: A Critical Look at Single-Sex Education for Girls," have left opponents and proponents of single-gender schools wondering what in fact does hold the smoking gun for the equal education of females.

However, the most recent information is not nearly as controversial or condemning as the media has portrayed it.

The AAUW does not



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Although the AAUW's 1992 report prompted an increase in single-sex education, their latest report ponders these schools' academic merits.

renounce these institutions but questions their educational merits. Although not emphasized in the media, the AAUW did not base their find-

The Wall Street Journal lambasted the press for the misrepresentation of information, editorializing, "[The report] is at worst uncertain about [single-sex school's] benefits, and in many places says all sorts of positive things about them."

PATRICK WHITE

DIRECTOR OF ACADEMIC INNOVATION

But Weinman has also opened the doors to criticism in her response to the popularity of single-sex high schools and classrooms where the number of students has increased

by around 9,000.

"A lot of things pushed people toward single-sex alternatives," she said. "Some people were looking for easy solutions, for ways to address the issues we raised in the 1992 report."

But advocates of single-sex education are opposed to the idea that one-gender schools are used as quick fixes to educational inequity.

"I totally disagree," Eldred stated. "This is a very simplistic explanation. There are more substantive issues related to women. Workplace issues and positions of

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ings on new research and relied solely on a review of previous studies.

gle-sex high schools and classrooms where the number of students has increased

Gender psychology still debated

By ALEX ORR
News Writer

The psychological differences between the male and female may seem so blatant as to avoid the scrutiny of the casual observer.

However, the whys of behavioral discrepancies have become a hotly debated topic in the last 20 years.

The crux of the argument basically stems from whether stereotypically masculine and feminine behavior should be attributed to inborn qualities or to learned behavior.

Since the 1974 book, "The Psychology of Sex Difference," there has been a tendency among psychologists to view gender differences as merely insignificant in the performance of cognitive tasks.

The research within the book coincided with a period of societal changes and movement. Older ideas of gender roles based more or less on tradition were declared unfounded on any innate principle.

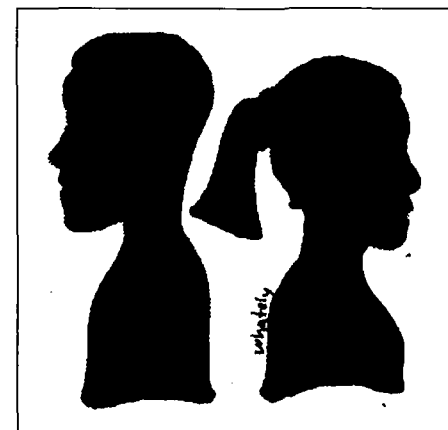
This view was heralded by feminists for its utility in championing equal rights. Women were not necessarily more nurturing and helpful and men were not aggressive and assertive by nature, the argument went, but were so because of years of societal influence.

In "Sex and Gender," it is stated that, "Even in cases where the level of a particular ability is partially determined by physiological factors, the ability is usually susceptible to training."

"Areas such as mathematics and mental spatial positioning, traditionally thought of

as a male strength, could thus be developed in women. According to research, men could also better master verbal skills, long thought of as a female forte.

In addition, some theories suggested that children, largely segregated by sex during their formative years, form their



own male and female cultures with different rules that persisted beyond youth. Therefore, it could be easier explained that this culture resulted in stereotypical male aggression and female passivity.

But what had become virtual psychology dogma during the 1970s and 1980s has come under increasing fire in recent years.

Modern essays and articles have purported bases for variation in interests and strengths between the sexes.

In 1995's "The Science and Politics of Comparing Women and Men," Alice Eagly determined that the "analysis of demonstrated sex differences in social behavior

suggest that [both sexes] conform to stereotypic expectations."

New tests provide central tendencies representing varying degrees of differences to the sexes. Rather than simply falling into rankings of "same" or "different," the tests allow for a range in one's traits.

Thus, there has been a reevaluation of what has been considered "insignificantly small" differences. The ability to mentally rotate three dimensional objects, facial expressions, proclivities toward casual sex, nurturing tendencies, and throwing ability have been found more significant under new analysis. More importantly, a number of studies revealed discrepancies between the sexes in regards to social interaction and personality.

Recent scientific tests on the human brain has also increased the complexity of the matter. Yale neurologist Bennett Shaywitz reported in 1995 that his data "provides evidence for sex difference in the functional organization of the brain for a specific component of language."

His tests, measuring blood flow to various brain lobes during a rhyming exercise, revealed a dissimilar pattern of surges in women and men. Women tend to draw from their emotional right lobes in addition to their left lobes during verbal exercise, the study showed. However, men tended to limit themselves to the reasoning right side of the brain.

Tests from Canada's McMaster University have also reported that women have 11 percent more brain cells than men.

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ters," he stated. "I said 'You keep referring to this as a marriage, but when it gets to the nitty gritty, you don't want to take our names and you don't want to live with us.' They said 'That's exactly right,'" Hesburgh recalled. "So we decided amicably not to do that."

Notre Dame then approached Saint Mary's with a proposal for coeducation on its own, without a merger. Hesburgh noted that because of the unique relationship between the two schools, it was important to have Saint Mary's blessing for such a plan.

"We'd been together cheek and jowl for 125 years and we didn't want to hurt them in any way. And I don't think we have," Hesburgh said. "[Saint Mary's residents] wanted Saint Mary's to go on as Saint Mary's and they didn't particularly like the idea of having their campus invaded with men. That may sound Victorian, but I think that was an honest statement on their parts."

Notre Dame then began preparations for the women's arrival. Among the physical changes, Badin and Walsh Halls were converted into women's dorms for the coed class of incoming freshmen.

Many people feel that the transition went smoothly, partly due to the years of co-exchange.

"We'd had co-exchange classes with Saint Mary's and a lot of co-exchange in the dining hall. It wasn't like there were Martians landing," said Father Bill Seetch, who was a junior at Notre Dame when the female undergraduates first arrived.

Seetch, who is now rector of Morrissey Manor, did notice some changes in his male

peers. He recalled his first two years at Notre Dame, when a great number of men wore beards and long hair, and how quickly that changed once the women arrived.

"The first thing I noticed was that people cleaned up. It was like all of a sudden your sisters and girlfriends were around. It wasn't a marine corps barracks anymore," he said.

Hesburgh agreed, saying, "It's a more civilized place now. Women play a role that has a civilizing effect on men."

As for the women, their memories of the transition differ dramatically from one another. Some, like Marguerite Andresen, who graduated in 1973 after transferring from Saint Mary's, recall a fairly easy transition.

"Once we were in the classroom, I felt we were fairly well-accepted," Andresen said. "The guys had to prove themselves as equally as we did. My recollection was that the faculty was very interested in our learning and success. I felt very welcome there."

Others, such as Laura Bayer, who also graduated from Notre Dame in 1973, recall the first years as challenging.

"Many of the faculty had never taught women and many of the guys had never been in class with women. They didn't know how to treat us in an academic environment," Bayer said. "I got awfully tired of being asked to give the woman's point of view in every class."

Hesburgh acknowledged that the process was not flawless and that the University continues to work on gender issues.

"We immediately began to try to get more women in the administration and on the faculty, and that's still a bit of an uphill battle. We still have a long way to go. You never satisfy everyone completely," he said.

on a hemisphere's total concentration upon a task at hand. The University of Pennsylvania study found that the male brain seems to default to the temporal-limbic system, an evolutionary primeval portion of the brain where thoughts of sex and violence dwell. Women, they found, seem to idle in a relatively new addition to the human cerebrum.

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authority are much larger subjects than female schools."

Many of the these discrimination factors were outlined in the "Shortchanging Girls" report. It argued that American girls on average receive an inferior education to boys and are routinely exposed to sexism in coeducational environments.

The increase in secondary single-sex education is often attributed to the AAUW's findings that "girls receive less attention in the classroom than boys; girls are not pursuing math-related careers, ... the gender gap in science is increasing; curricula ignore or stereotype women; reports of sexual harassment are increasing; and many standardized tests contain elements of gender bias."

The AAUW concluded that "when elements of a good education are present, girls and boys succeed," and now are backing implementing all-female school's characteristics into a coeducational setting.

But this may not be feasible when the unique environment of all-female schools is considered.

Megan Stanley, currently a Saint Mary's sophomore who has experienced six years of all-female schooling, does not think she could have received the same education in a coed setting.

"The all-female atmosphere is so different," Stanley said. "I've been in classes with guys a few times, and the class totally changes. Girls seem to get quiet and sit in the back while the guys dominate the conversation. At a women's school, everything is geared toward teaching women and women's understanding."

Studies like Cornelius Riordan's "The Value of Attending a Women's College" reflect that in the coed atmosphere, "women continue to follow a traditional sex role pattern where attractiveness and non-assertiveness are rewarded and academic success is discouraged, ... [but] females attending single-sex schools hold more egalitarian attitudes toward the role of women in society than do their counterparts."

upon most was self-esteem.

"A lot of coed environments say to these girls, 'You're not right somehow. You're not right in the body, mind, heart, and spirit,'" he said. "They are models of excellence, but people do not always pay attention to what women have to offer."

Linda Timm, Saint Mary's Vice President for Student Affairs, also suggested that there may be an element to all-female educational settings that coed institutions cannot provide.

"Research has shown that as far as women's colleges are concerned graduates overrepresent themselves in degree satisfaction, satisfaction with their overall college experience and occupational achievement," she said. "[At an all-female school], women are leaders and role models to other women. They show that there are unlimited possibilities."

The report is expected to have little or no effect on the higher education of females, but another AAUW release is expected in May which will focus on women's colleges and universities.

One of the key findings of "Separated by Sex" claims, "Whereas girls perceive the classrooms ... to be superior and may register gains in confidence, these benefits have not translated into measured improvements in ... math and science." However, White noted that the difference between many coeducational and single-sex schools may not be so much quantitative, but qualitative.

"There are models of pride and ambition and confidence [in single-sex settings]," he said. "These may be hard to measure but the effects can be seen. [All-female schools] not only help students with the ability to take great leaps, but inspires all students to go ahead and take those leaps."

AAUW Report Findings

- There is no evidence in general that single-sex education works or is better for girls than coeducation.
- When elements of a good education are present such as small classes, equitable teaching practices, and focused academic curriculum, girls and boys succeed.
- Some kinds of single-sex programs produce positive results for some students including a preference for math and science among girls.
- In conflicting studies involving Catholic girls' schools, there was no apparent explanation for why students performed better.

Patrick White, Director for Academic Innovation at Saint Mary's, believes that the AAUW overlooks an important link between the self-confidence and success that all-female institutions tend to promote.

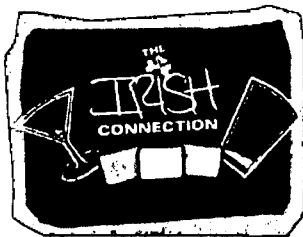
"I think that self-esteem may be one of the most important things they might be missing," White stated.

Recalling the past summer when he worked with 43 high school girls as part of the Leaders of a New Indiana program, White was surprised to discover the aspect they wanted to improve

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It has also been asserted that women's larger anterior commissure, allows for better communication between the brain's left and right hemisphere. Consequently, this also interferes



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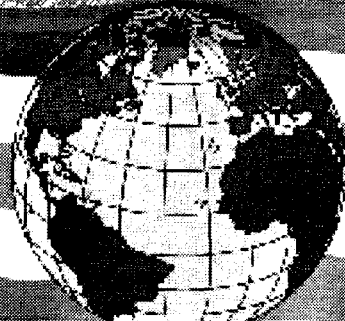
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WORLD NEWS BRIEFS

Train derails, catches fire

LYNCHBURG, Va.

At least seven railroad cars and two locomotives derailed and caught fire today, producing toxic smoke that forced authorities to evacuate five blocks and an elementary school. One of the cars contained thousands of gallons of acetone, a flammable solvent that produces poisonous fumes when burned. The fire also spread to a storage building near the tracks where unidentified snow-removal chemicals are stored, said police spokeswoman JoAnn Martin. The acetone and the locomotives' diesel fuel continued burning more than 2 1/2 hours after the accident, producing a column of black smoke visible for miles. No injuries were reported. The derailment occurred at 9:37 a.m. as railroad workers were uncoupling several cars on a track about 1 1/2 miles from downtown, Ms. Martin said. The cars rolled down the track and hit other rail cars.

Jury finds Freemen guilty

BILLINGS, Mont.

A federal jury on Tuesday found five Montana Freemen guilty of criminal charges in the first trial resulting from the 81-day standoff between the anti-government militants and the FBI in 1996. However, the jury acquitted Edwin F. Clark, 47, one-time owner of the foreclosed farm that formed most of the Freemen stronghold in rural eastern Montana. Clark's lawyer had argued he was desperate to save the farm and was swept up in events. Four of the Freemen were convicted of being accessories after the fact to the armed holdup of an ABC television news crew attempting to film a story on the Freemen.

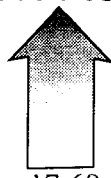
Nine-year-old disproves touch therapy

CHICAGO

A study conducted by a nine-year-old girl for a science project and published in a distinguished medical journal concludes that "therapeutic touch," in which a healer supposedly manipulates a patient's energy field, is bunk. Emily Rosa, the daughter of a registered nurse and an inventor, found that 21 experienced practitioners were unable to detect the field they supposedly manipulate to heal. Her study was published in Wednesday's *Journal of the American Medical Association* and immediately drew fire from supporters of the practice, who say it is respected worldwide. Therapeutic touch has been used to treat problems ranging from burns to cancer. The technique is practiced in at least 80 North American hospitals and taught in more than 100 colleges and universities in 75 countries, said the study, written by the Loveland, Colo., student.

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Israel offers to discuss West Bank



AFP Photo

As politicians negotiate a possible meeting between Israelis and Palestinians, violence continues among demonstrators in the West Bank. During clashes on Tuesday, Israeli soldiers shot and lightly wounded two Palestinians as about 1,500 people tried to march on West Bank lands.

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WASHINGTON

An unexpected gesture by Israel — an offer to discuss with the Palestinians a third pullback on the contested West Bank — gave a slight boost Tuesday to the Clinton administration in its laboring drive to reopen negotiations between the two sides.

The offer by Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu to American mediator Dennis B. Ross near the end of Ross' fourth day of shuttle diplomacy in the area, prompted Secretary of State Madeleine Albright to report "some progress."

"In some substantive form we're perhaps a little closer" to reopening negotiations between Israel and the Palestinian Authority after a yearlong impasse, State Department spokesman James P. Rubin said.

But Albright also said the progress was not "nearly enough" to end the deadlock, while Rubin said "the peace

process is not on track, and the gaps have not been bridged."

Having received Ross' report, Albright will consult with President Clinton, and decide what to do next in what is a frustrating and disappointing foreign policy venture for the administration.

Netanyahu's gesture could provide a useful opening. Willing to turn over another 10 percent of the West Bank to add to the 27 percent Yasser Arafat already controls, the prime minister had insisted it would pose an unacceptable risk to Israel to give up the 12 percent to 15 percent the administration has been urging.

He has not budged from that position. And yet Netanyahu told Ross, according to diplomatic sources, Israel was willing to put a third pullback on the agenda for the so-called final-status talks Israel is supposed to have with the Palestinians to wind up the negotiations.

Those talks were already designed

to include the most difficult of issues, including the future of Jerusalem — which Israel has reunited and where Arafat hopes to establish a Palestinian capital — and borders between Israel and any Palestinian state or entity.

Still, the sources, declining to be identified, said Netanyahu had not agreed to a third pullback, but only to discuss one.

And, in the meantime, the extent of a second pullback is hotly contested.

"It is important that there has been some movement, but we also have to make very clear that there is a level of frustration both here and in the Middle East because the stalemate has gone on," Albright said.

She also stressed there had been no breakthrough as the result of Ross' talks with Netanyahu and Arafat.

"Obviously, we are concerned about the fact that for a year now there has been a stalemate," she said. "We want to keep making sure that the process moves forward."

Rescued whale returns to Pacific Ocean

After a year in captivity, J.J. heads home

ASSOCIATED PRESS

SAN DIEGO

J.J., the California gray whale rescued as an infant and raised in captivity, was returned to the Pacific Ocean today to begin a new life with all the pleasures and perils of freedom at sea.

The young whale, who has been cared for at Sea World since she was found comatose and malnourished last year, was hoisted off the deck of a Coast Guard cutter and released from a sling about 10:20 a.m. She splashed briefly before submerging into the

water.

About an hour later the crew of a spotter boat saw her surface. She was headed north.

"She's alive and well," said Jim Antrim, curator at Sea World, where J.J. was raised.

At 9 1/2 tons and 31 feet long, J.J. is the largest animal ever returned to the wild, according to Sea World. And J.J. is nowhere near fully grown. Adult gray whales can grow to 35 tons and 55 feet long.

The whale started her journey back to sea on a bed of foam rubber in an open-topped 18-wheeler, while handlers sprayed her with water mist, whale sounds were piped in, and crowds cheered along a 12-mile trip from Sea World to the dock.

At the U.S. Navy pier at

San Diego Bay, her specially made sling was strapped to a crane and hoisted onto a Coast Guard cutter for the next leg of her journey home.

The cutter, with a flotilla escort, headed out to sea 25 minutes ahead of schedule. Several miles off the coast, she was freed near a whale pod that naturalists hoped J.J. would stay with on their annual northern migration.

Now that she is released, J.J. will either rejoin the ocean's leviathans or die from predators, struggles in commercial fishing nets or her own inability to cope.

Her keepers were hopeful she would survive the transition.

"She's been eating off the bottom of the pool, similar to the way gray whales eat

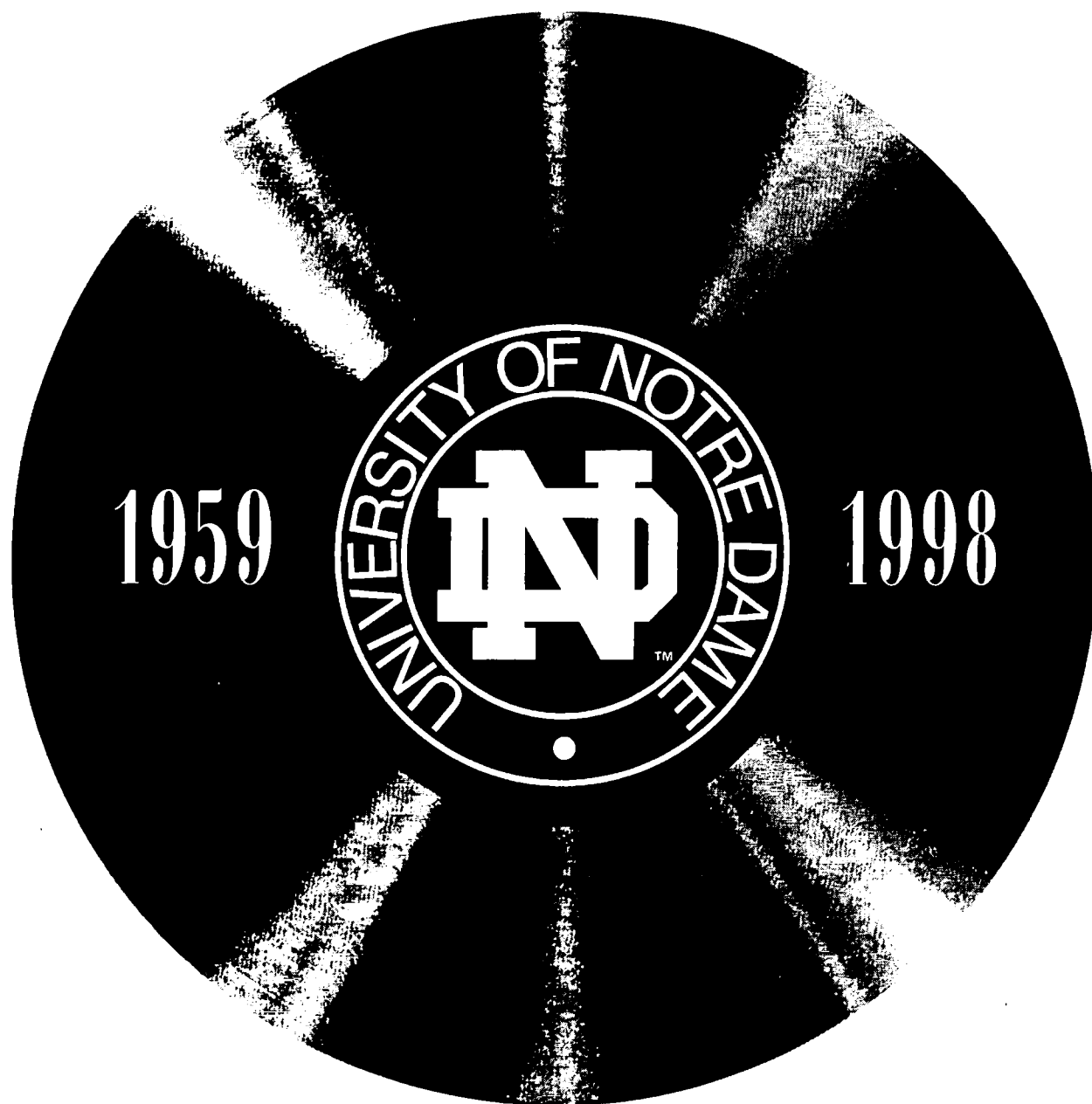
off the bottom of the ocean, and she has responded to wild gray whale vocalizations played to her," said Antrim said.

"We have done everything we possibly can to prepare J.J. to return to the ocean," he said. "But even so, there are no guarantees."

The bright red, 32-foot canvas sling was made specifically to handle the whale, while pads of foam rubber, designed to work like a water bed, were used in the truck and on the deck of the cutter to keep her from being crushed by her own weight. The whale did wiggle on her way from Sea World, but workers were able to calm her down.

The trip to the pier was monitored by news and Coast Guard helicopters.

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decided, and then the whole temple, even the columns and windows, are determined in traditional proportions to the deity."

Narayanan explained the meanings behind choices in temple decor, as well as the idea that individual temples are dedicated to local deities. She also described a trend in the United States toward Internet worship through sites containing copies of Hindu documents and images of prominent gods.

"Cyberspace is sacred

space," she commented. "They are asking you to enter a cyber-temple."

Father Theodore Hesburgh, the symposium's final speaker, discussed his travels to India, particularly his experiences in Delhi.

"I was amazed at the spread of Catholic education at a superior level in India," he commented. "They have wonderful students there."

Hesburgh also described a visit to a temple in which he witnessed the ministry of several Indians to starving citizens. The workers had cleaned and clothed them, and nuns of the Sisters of Charity were feeding and caring for them.

"The nuns were performing an act of love, in the belief

that people shouldn't die like dogs in the street. [They were] loving Jesus in the poorest of his people. I've seen a lot of religious activity, but none that gets to my heart the way this did," Hesburgh said.

Hesburgh's greatest praise of India, though, was reserved for Gandhi, to whom he credited the success of Indian independence and unity.

"Mankind and womankind is one. We have to somehow learn to do the best we can together on Earth," he explained.

"The greatest boast of the Indian people is Gandhi, [who taught that] it is possible to achieve peace without violence. He has inspired many people in this world."

Senate

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all men's dorms, dining hall improvements and du Lac reform as several issues which were dealt with by the last Senate that will continue to be important in the next year.

"I really like the idea of being able to represent my dorm and serve as a voice for the women of Lyons," stated Balchunas. She hopes to work on a number of residence life issues in the coming year.

A number of new senators hope to use their positions to affect change and act as a strong student voice on pressing issues that come before them.

"I'd like to see issues dealt with that affect the students directly and that the students care about," said Keough Hall senator Brian O'Donoghue. "We're a representative body.

We should be there to represent the students."

Breen-Phillips Hall senator Rhea Gertken concurred, "I'd like to represent the women of BP as best I can and reflect their views and concerns."

New senators also pledged to bring a number of issues up for discussion, ranging from residence issues to internal reform of the Senate.

"I'd like to get momentum going towards a co-ed dorm system," said Siegfried Hall senator Tom Ogorzalek, pointing to last week's faculty panel discussion recommending such a system as just one instance of support for co-ed residence halls.

"We need to make the Senate more streamlined," declared O'Donoghue, who hopes to work with the administration "to make the Senate a student voice that is heard and valued."

"I hope that we'll be able to get policy issues accomplished

as quickly, effectively and painlessly as possible," stated Gertken.

Selak, who will take over for Ereik Nass as president of the Senate, says the group will "start into business right away." She hopes to follow up on the resolutions of the old Senate while also addressing anything new that may arise.

"The previous Senate has done excellent work," she noted. "I'd like to keep their momentum going, and build on it."

One issue of concern for Selak is the multicultural affairs committee, which had only two members at the end of the '97-'98 term. "To have almost no participation is a shame," she declared. "It's also not representative of needs on campus."

Tonight's meeting will serve as an introduction for the new senators, and Senate rules, procedures and committees will be explained.

Ignatieff

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The U.N. Charter, he explained, took human brutality and war for granted and assumed that humans were capable of war. The Universal Declaration, on the other hand, focused on brotherhood and peace and gave more attention to the rights and needs of the individual, rather than the state as a whole.

Ignatieff concluded his lecture by stressing the importance of the individual, and how the individual's human

rights were affected by the Universal Declaration.

The Declaration, he said, "doesn't give people rights, it produces a certain kind of individual." It is this empowered individual, he added, that is able to make claims against the particular body that he or she feels is oppressing the rights outlined by the Declaration.

Ignatieff's lecture was the fourth annual Theodore M. Hesburgh, C.S.C., Lecture on Ethics and Public Policy, and was presented under the auspices of the Joan B. Kroc Institute for International Peace Studies.

Holy Year

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ness, and striving to see others that care to make a difference in our society. Through actions such as these, our culture can look forward to making the transition to another level of communion and communication that will form everlasting bonds.

"This Judeo-Christian tradition of Jubilee is a call to be a just community, which sees that everyone receives what is owed to her — a liberating community that knows how to celebrate its commitments with verve," said Saint Mary's president Marilou Eldred.

Along with the jubilee into the 21st century, there will be an ongoing process that will take the community into the next millennium. Major components

to this jubilee call for reflection and reconciliation in order to establish a close community.

"Through these [components], we are hoping to have our student body come together and reach out to the poor of our society," Smoyer stated. "With actions such as this, we can only hope and pray for a peaceful process that will lead us into the next millennium."

"The Jubilee is something the entire church is being called to. 1998 marks the year of the Holy Spirit, and we should incorporate this into the ministry of the Church," she continued.

Hoping that the great doors will open a renewed and rejuvenated life within the community, Smoyer emphasized the spirituality of the symbolism.

"We welcome and invite all different kinds of groups to come and join in on the celebration and beauty the Jubilee has to offer us," Smoyer added.

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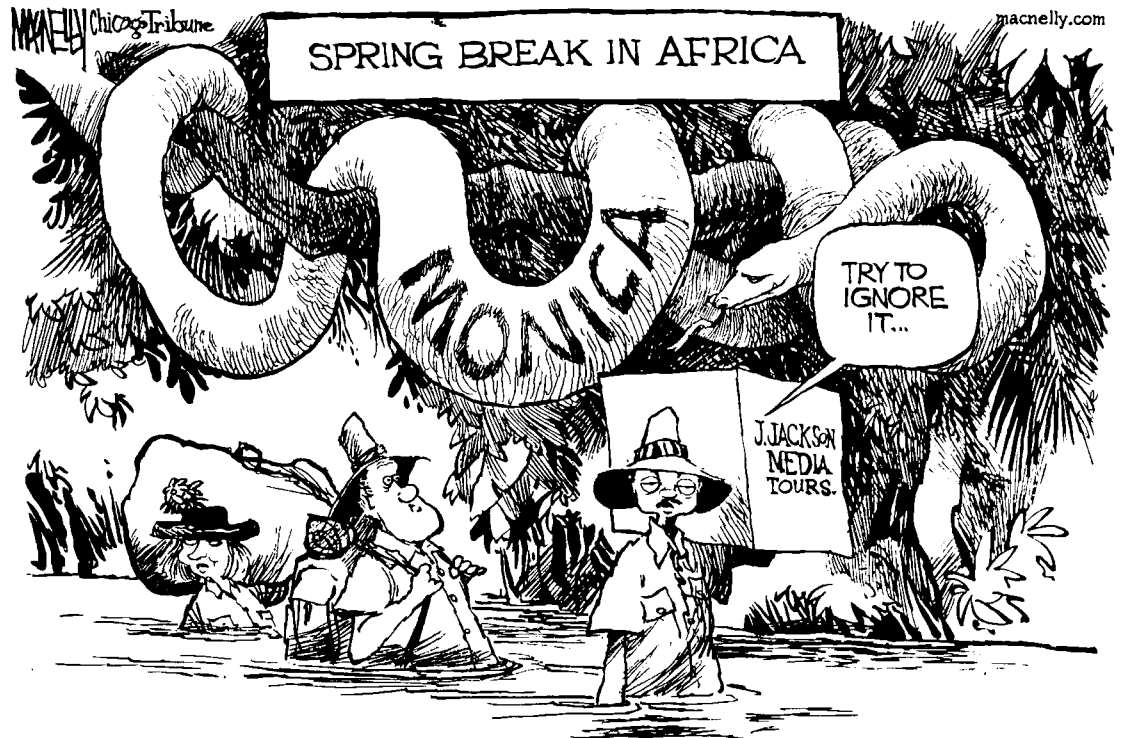
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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Let's Keep This Year's Tournament Clean

Once again, Bookstore Basketball time is here, and everyone is anxious to hit the courts and participate in this 27 year old Notre Dame tradition. However, it came to the attention of our Committee last year that, amidst all of the action and emotion inherent in such competition, certain events occurred that potentially jeopardize the future of Bookstore Basketball. During last spring's tournament, racial tensions between teams and fans alike escalated as the result of slurs and epithets that were voiced. This type of behavior is unacceptable and will not be tolerated by this Committee or the Notre Dame administration in this year's or any future tournament.

As participants and observers of Bookstore Basketball, your actions will determine whether or not this year's tournament will be a success. However, due to the aforementioned problems, the Bookstore Committee has taken the following steps to prevent their reoccurrence. First of all, the number of security personnel will be increased to assist the Commissioners with proper crowd control. Both groups have been instructed to follow a ZERO TOLERANCE policy when faced with disruptive or unsportsmanlike behavior, including racial comments. In such cases, any and all persons involved will be immediately escorted off the courts. Furthermore, repeat offenders will be subject to disciplinary action by the University.

For the players themselves, the following change has been implemented. At the beginning of each game, every team member must sign a form stating that they fully understand and acknowledge the rules outlined by the Bookstore Committee. This will serve as the FIRST AND ONLY warning for the players. Any fighting during the game will then result in ejection and possible team forfeit. Also, under severe circumstances, the entire team could face immediate disqualification from the tournament.

As both fans and players, it is your responsibility to conduct yourselves in a manner that is respectful to all teams participating and to the other fans watching. We all know that as the tournament progresses, the level of excitement and competition rises. We all want to support our favorite teams and see them advance into the later rounds. However, it remains imperative that you behave appropriately, and properly represent the Notre Dame family and Bookstore Basketball. By doing so, you will ensure that their longstanding traditions of teamwork, excellence and community will not be tarnished.

Good luck to all teams participating. Let's make Bookstore Basketball XXVII the most successful competition to date. And remember ... ultimately, we are all on the same team here.

The Bookstore Basketball Committee
March 31, 1998

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Call to a World Community

I was really bothered by the Outside the Dome article in The Observer on Thursday, March 26 about the racist campaign poster. For those of you who may have missed it, the article reported on a campaign poster for Michigan sophomore Dale Winling which many students felt mocked the student civil rights movement of the 1960s and '70s. Upon learning that students found his poster offensive, Winling responded, "I just did it to have a good time. Some people took it the wrong way ... but no harm was intended."

Apparently Winling believes that it is alright to insult people as long as he doesn't really mean it. Unfortunately, he is not alone in this belief. His poster and subsequent statement exhibit a fundamental lack of concern for the general dignity of humankind.

Although this event did not happen on our campus, I believe it contains a valuable lesson for the Notre Dame family, especially in light of the recent flairs-ups in on-going campus issues concerning diversity. Several campus events of late have made me question the extent to which some members of the student body, faculty and staff value the dignity of humankind. Because of a general lack of concern for the dignity of humankind, the Men About Campus comic of last Halloween was thoughtlessly printed in The Observer only to have students comment at a meeting I attended that people were "over-reacting" regarding the severity of the insult. Because of a general lack of concern for the dignity of humankind, students wondered why America didn't just "bomb the hell out of Iraq" a few weeks ago during the height of the tensions. Because of a general lack of concern for the dignity of humankind, administration can't find enough money to prevent future generations from being haunted by the Ghost of South Dining Hall Dinners Past. Because of a general lack of concern for the dignity of humankind, Notre Dame won't recognize GLND/SMC, and the Notre Dame community

has lost a wonderful preacher, professor and friend because he didn't feel welcome here.

Many students at Notre Dame have been able to open their minds and hearts to realize that they are part of a community much larger and more profound than any community based on race, creed or sexual orientation. This community is the world community of the human race. Those who understand their membership in this community recognize the differences which make each of us unique, but share and celebrate these differences rather than discriminate against them. Those who comprehend their membership in this community view any insult against another person on account of race, creed, sexual orientation, gender or physical handicap as an insult to the dignity of the world community, and as such, as an insult to themselves. We are all already part of this community. It's time we all recognized our membership.

I love this university — it took me two and a half years to realize that anything was wrong with it beyond parietals and too much construction — but often it's the things we love best which we criticize most. During my four years here, I have regularly been touched by the open-minded love expressed by so many students toward others. At the same time, however, I have been absolutely horrified by the closed-minded hatred exhibited by others. We are young, intelligent students at one of the world's finest institutions, and we have all the world's opportunities waiting for us. We can allow our hatred to come between us and keep us apart, or we can open our hearts, come together, share our knowledge, and change the world. The choice is ours.

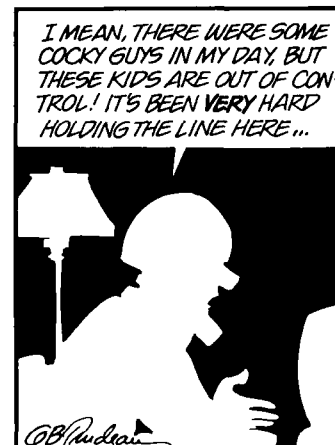
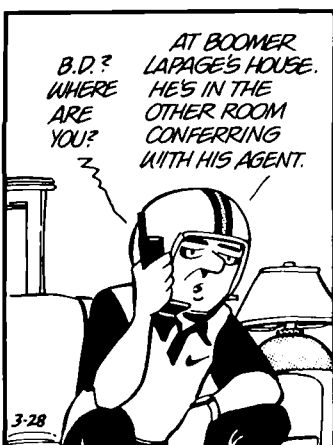
M. Siobhan O'Brien
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QUOTE OF THE DAY



'When you get there, there isn't any there there.'

— Gertrude Stein

■ LETTER TO THE EDITOR

America Must Set Israel Straight

I didn't come to the Holy Land to study politics, but somehow politics have begun to consume me. I have never written a letter to a paper, and I'm usually not one to criticize the American government. My father serves in the U.S. Army, so I've been raised a patriot, but my time here has forced me to go beyond national pride. It is impossible to ignore the Palestinian suffering at the hands of our ally, Israel.

The United States has created and nurtured Israel; America now must take responsibility to set Israel straight. The first step is to know about the situation, and how it came to be.

The effects of the Jewish Holocaust will be felt forever. In reparation to the Jews, the United Nations, with strong support from the United States, voted to create a Jewish state out of over half of the land of Palestine. The problem was that Palestine was already populated by hundreds of thousands of Palestinians. The Zionist Jews solved this problem by slaughtering entire Palestinian villages and chasing many others away at gunpoint. Four hundred eighteen Arab villages were depopulated and destroyed for the creation of the state of Israel.

In 1967, the neighboring Arab countries were mounting an attack on the well-established Jewish state. Israel decided the best defense was an offense, so it simultaneously attacked, crippled, and defeated Egypt, Jordan, and Syria. Israel overtook the West Bank from Jordan, and the Gaza Strip from Egypt. The Arabs surprised Israel in 1973 by attacking on the Jewish feast of Yom Kippur. The Jews successfully defended themselves again, and convinced the Arab leaders that Israel was there to stay. A few years later at Camp David, Egypt made peace with Israel. Today, the West Bank and Gaza Strip are still controlled by Israel, and are referred to as the "occupied territories."

When Israel conquered the West Bank and Gaza Strip, the Palestinians, who were the sole residents, were immediately unhappy with Israeli rule. In the interest of peace, the United Nations concluded in Resolution 242 and then again in Resolution 338 that the land should be released to Palestinian control. Israel refused to withdraw because they said they needed the land as a defense against neighboring Arab countries.

In 1993, Israel signed the Oslo Accords agreeing to allow the Palestinian state, but their actions have not and do not honor the agreement. Israel has created over 150 settlements in its occupied territory, and continues to create new settlements. These new settlements are outside Israel's current borders, so each settlement confiscates more

land from the Palestinians for the state of Israel.

Israel has effectively claimed over 50 percent of the occupied territories with the new settlements, all of which the U.N. declared to be Palestinian land.

Besides blatantly violating the international laws declared by the United Nations, Israel violates humanitarian laws. Israel lacks any law prohibiting maltreatment of prisoners; so in effect, torture is legal. Israel should be convicted of war crimes for its use of torture. Recently, Israel allowed Mordechai Vanunu out of solitary confinement where he has been held since 1986. Vanunu released information about Israel's illegal nuclear arms build-up to the Sunday Times in London. He is now with other prisoners for the first time in over 11 years. (According to the Jerusalem Post, March 13, 1998, Israel has also succeeded in illegally obtaining the nuclear weapons Vanunu warned of.)

The Israeli soldiers act as if it is their job to humiliate and flaunt their power over the Palestinians. At the numerous Israeli checkpoints throughout Israel and the occupied territories, the Palestinians, if allowed to pass at all, must stop and endure any humiliation the soldiers care to inflict.

Without U.S. economic and military support, Israel would not exist. The United States has been the main ally of Israel since its birth. Presently, the U.S. officially gives three billion dollars to Israel annually — two billion in military aid, and one billion in humanitarian aid — over two dollars from every American man, woman, and child. This says nothing about the money and support the U.S. gives Israel unofficially.

As an ally of Israel, we are guilty by association; by giving our vital money and support, we are a partner in crime. The level of U.S. involvement demands that we take responsibility for every Palestinian killed by reckless Israeli soldiers, for every young Palestinian who dies mysteriously in Israeli prisons, and for every settlement built on Palestinian land.

The Palestinians set off bombs and throw rocks not because they are all terrorizing barbarians, but because they are struggling to live under an oppressive regime while watching their land being taken and their children being killed. My country, the United States, the defender of freedom and supporter of the oppressed, is a little confused on this one.

Matt Kutz

Junior, Notre Dame Program in Jerusalem
March 20, 1998

■ FROM THE LEFT

Imperialism and You: Conflict in the Name of McDonald's

Ronald McDonald of Scotland, chief member of the clan McDonald, had the right idea when he sued the restaurant chain McDonald's for libel. He was tired of what we are all tired of, that fiendishly annoying yellow and red monstrosity who peddles infected beef to American

and world youth. He also is the figurehead for a corporation that has some of the lowest labor standards in the country, a corporation whose cattle are destroying other countries' forests, and a corporation who, similar to the tobacco companies, spends ungodly sums of money luring youngsters to their most unhealthy product. It is a great day when our taxpayer monies go to subsidize such whole hearted malevolence and we help pay for their marketing campaigns for Chicken McNuggets in third world countries.

Lump that into the 170 billion dollar tax subsidization known widely as corporate welfare. As the supposed welfare state crumbles under the greedy gaze of American robber barons, the real welfare state continues to help the wealthy build their mansions, to keep afloat a decaying and corrupt military/industrial system geared to Cold War conflict, to essentially help the top one percent maintain their iron-like grip on our resources and on our country. Much like the false patriotism displayed by gung-ho members of ROTC to me after this past column, the chieftains of commerce are fleeing like cowards, raping the resources of this and other countries and holing them up in other untouchable areas of the world. Ah, the much heralded global village, in which we all toil for tyrants who, in many cases, have even renounced their citizenship as Americans in order to get more tax breaks (pile up the riches in Scrooge McDuck's vault!). As many captains of labor have said, we should have a law which forces CEOs of American corporations to say the pledge of allegiance in the board room.

Everyone is smiling these days on Wall Street. That foppish ole Alan Greenspan is behind the times, man! Take a look at this "bullish" stock market! I'm riding high! Pass the silver bong! Look at my spanking new sports utility vehicle! Do you know how much gas this baby guzzles?

No matter, the artificial costs of gasoline continue to be propped up in this country at least, in which the car continues to enjoy the status of an Egyptian cat. And I don't care how many people write me on the subject, let me be crystal clear about the truth in some manners:

1. The Gulf War was a war for resource retainment, in which we slaughtered the innocents for our

imperial needs.

2. Notre Dame is hypocritical to claim to be following Christ when it allows the program of ROTC to flourish here.

3. War is never, never the answer. That being said, let me get back to the main subject, namely that this economic boom is not helping everyone out, as it seems proclaimed by the greasy faces of nervously exuberant local newscasters. The real wages for American workers have remained flat

since 1972. The garnering of wealth by capitalism entails the garnering of wealth by the wealthy.

The safety net has been all but dismantled by Clinton and his Republican cronies in Congress, something which Reagan only salivated over, and still does, from what one hears. Cities continue to disintegrate, and people living in them — mostly minorities — are persecuted for poverty, as unemployment continues to soar in the cities.

Let's look at the job growth that the arm-flailing president has been talking about for years: the number one employer in the U.S.? Manpower. That's right. Those weasely middlemen for your labor known as temp agencies continue to pillage our pocketbooks. Now the workplace is great! Your employee is complaining about inhaling chicken feces dust in the North Carolina chicken plant? Fire them all, they are from Latin America anyhow. Oh, those pesky chicken workers are forming a union, fire them all again. What's that? We are breaking the law? Who's going to enforce that kind of law, times are good.

And the times are good, aren't they? A warning to all Notre Dame students, you are headed for a life of serfdom, in which, even if you are not a temp, your value as a worker is about as stable as the glorious electron beaming through the internet. And aren't you glad that we have the wise Catholic sages in the military to practice Catholic restraint in villas like My Lai where we want to sell McNuggets, and maybe open a Nike factory. Captains of commerce dictate where our military goes and why they go, not the citizens of the U.S. And, hand-in-hand, they merrily trod over everyone in their way, desperate to remain number one, in arms dealing and aggression, and in imperialism and new markets.

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The views expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.

David McMahon

■ LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Security Must Re-Evaluate Dealings with Students

Wow, did this Oregon State student hit home for me! I had a similar experience one and a half years ago that also spawned a disheartening letter. I remember spending a good part of the day composing a letter that met with the degree of pessimism and rudeness I had to deal with from that particular guard at the gate. I mean really, accusing me of lying, badgering me, insults, is this really how innocent people get treated at our fine school?! It may not be how everyone is treated but it's exactly what happened to me.

Our collective security needs to re-evaluate how they deal with people, specifically

students. A year and a half later things have not

changed much. Just once I would like to get treated with a little degree of humility, not much, just a pinch of kindness. Leave the power-trip at home, thank you,



and if acting is what they want to do, then let them at least pretend that they actually like their job. I

think I would be hallucinating if I saw one of them smile and say, "Have a good day." For the majority of us who put a lot of effort into this institution, not to men-

tion a lot money, give us a little respect. Never mind that parking at this school is horrid or that many of us walk what seems to be a mile every morning to our desired destinations. Just an ounce of kindness from these people is all many of us want.

Dustin Martin
2nd year Grad student
March 31, 1998

This letter is in response to a letter by Chris Peterson from Oregon State University that ran in yesterday's Observer.

SOPHOMORE SIBS

Turning back the clock to 1983...



Photos by The Observer/Scott Bower

Left: Two younger siblings enjoy ND/SMC Little Sibs Weekend 1983.

Above: Students kick off the 1983 weekend with a road race.

Sophomore Sibs Weekend Through the Years

By KRISTI KLITSCH
Scene Editor

Sophomore Siblings Weekend was not always the popular event that it is today. In fact, it took nearly 10 years to develop a standardized plan for the weekend after a very rocky start.

In April 1979, the sophomore class sponsored a small-scale event called Little Brothers/Little Sisters Weekend. It was the first Siblings Weekend at a "sophomore siblings weekend." Events included a viewing of "Pete's Dragon" and "That Darn Cat," a picnic on the lawn of Holy Cross Hall, a meeting with varsity athletes, a night at NAZZ, a mass and a brunch. The purpose of the weekend was to bring siblings to Notre Dame to experience a weekend with their brother or sister away from home.

There is no record of a siblings weekend for four years after 1979, but ND/SMC Little Sibs Weekend in 1983 left a dark shadow on many siblings weekends to follow. This year the event included both Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students, instead of being limited to only Notre Dame sophomores. The weekend included a variety of games, movies, picnics and dances for students and their siblings to attend.

One apparent problem of the weekend was the lack of overall structure, and the fact that many of the events were not well attended. Another problem was the amount of siblings that visited the two campuses; over 1500 young Domers and Belles spent the weekend in South Bend.

But the dark shadow of the weekend was the abuse of alcohol that occurred. Apparently, many of the siblings frequented the South Bend bars and attended parties where alcohol was served.

Many rectors and rectresses

expressed dissatisfaction at the weekend, and as a result it was cancelled for four years.

In the fall of 1984, discussion surfaced about the possibility of having another Little Sibs Weekend. Joanne Madden, 1984 coordinator for the weekend, drew up a proposal and a schedule of events to be discussed and decided at a Campus Life Council meeting. Madden addressed the concerns raised by rectors about problems with alcohol, as well as concerns about housing and transportation.

In a CLC meeting on Sept. 26, 1984, rectors discussed the possibility of the weekend, but the decision was tabled for three weeks. At the next CLC meeting, the weekend passed by a narrow margin, and the ultimate decision was left to vice president of Student Affairs Father David Tyson.

Tyson eventually decided to veto the decision after polling the feelings of rectors and rectresses throughout campus.

In a Nov. 1, 1984 edition of The Observer, Tyson was quoted as saying: "Even with all of the plans and precautions, the probability of adequate controls, given the large influx of high school visitors, is relatively low. Finally, many question the merit of the weekend's purpose in light of the massive preparations and additional responsibilities that would be necessary."

This veto ended the discussion for a while, but in February 1986 rectors began discussing the possibility of a small pilot siblings weekend for the

spring of 1987. At this time, the idea of pre-high school siblings attending Notre Dame was born.

The proposal won the necessary support, and in April 1987, 45 to 50 siblings, aged 12-15, visited campus for the Sophomore Little Sibs Weekend. Events for the weekend included: a showing of "Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom," a box lunch at Theodore's and performance by the Notre Dame Chorale, a semi formal dinner, a casino night, mass and brunch. The weekend was a relative success, and few problems were noted.

Because of the success, the sophomore class planned another siblings weekend for the fall of 1987, but the weekend was postponed because of a breakdown in communication.

In the spring of 1988 the weekend was held again, but for the first time under the name of Sophomore Siblings Weekend. The weekend hosted almost 100 siblings and was a success.

In 1989 and 1990, problems once again plagued the sophomore class, and the weekend was canceled due to inadequate finances. But, in 1991, Sophomore Siblings Weekend convened once again, and the tradition that occurs today began.

In 1991, 114 siblings between the ages of 12 and 15 visited the campus for three days of fun with their older brothers and sisters. Events for the weekend included a movie and ice cream social on Friday night, a picnic on Saturday afternoon, a semi-formal dinner with Lou Holtz as guest speaker, a casino night for Saturday evening and a mass

and brunch on Sunday.

This year set the precedent for successive years, and the semi-formal dinner with guest speaker has become a staple of the weekend. Another component of the weekend became the commemorative T-shirt that every sibling and student receives.

The weekend continued to grow and include more and more students over the next few years. In 1992, the weekend included visiting a Notre Dame football practice and a trip to Coveleski Stadium. The 1993 weekend hosted over 200 siblings.

In 1996, over 400 siblings between the ages of 11 and 15 came to campus for Sophomore Siblings Weekend. Matt Griffin, sophomore siblings coordinator for 1996, said that "everyone had such a good time. It is something that should continue for years and years to come."

Last year, close to 500 siblings attended the weekend; the highest participation ever. Peter Cesaro, last year's sophomore class president, said "it [Sophomore Siblings Weekend] was one of the most incredible weekends at Notre Dame."

Heather Paich, a junior who participated in last year's weekend, agreed.

"I thought it was a great time for my younger sister to see how college life actually works, and it was a great chance to visit with her at my setting."

"This is such an integral part of keeping your family involved in your life when you go to college," she added.

Her younger sister, Laura Paich, who also attended Sophomore Siblings Weekend last year, appreciated her chance to participate in college life.

"It was neat to hang out with college kids and do college things which prepare me for when I go to college," she said about her experience at Notre Dame.

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HEATHER PAICH
ND JUNIOR WHO ATTENDED

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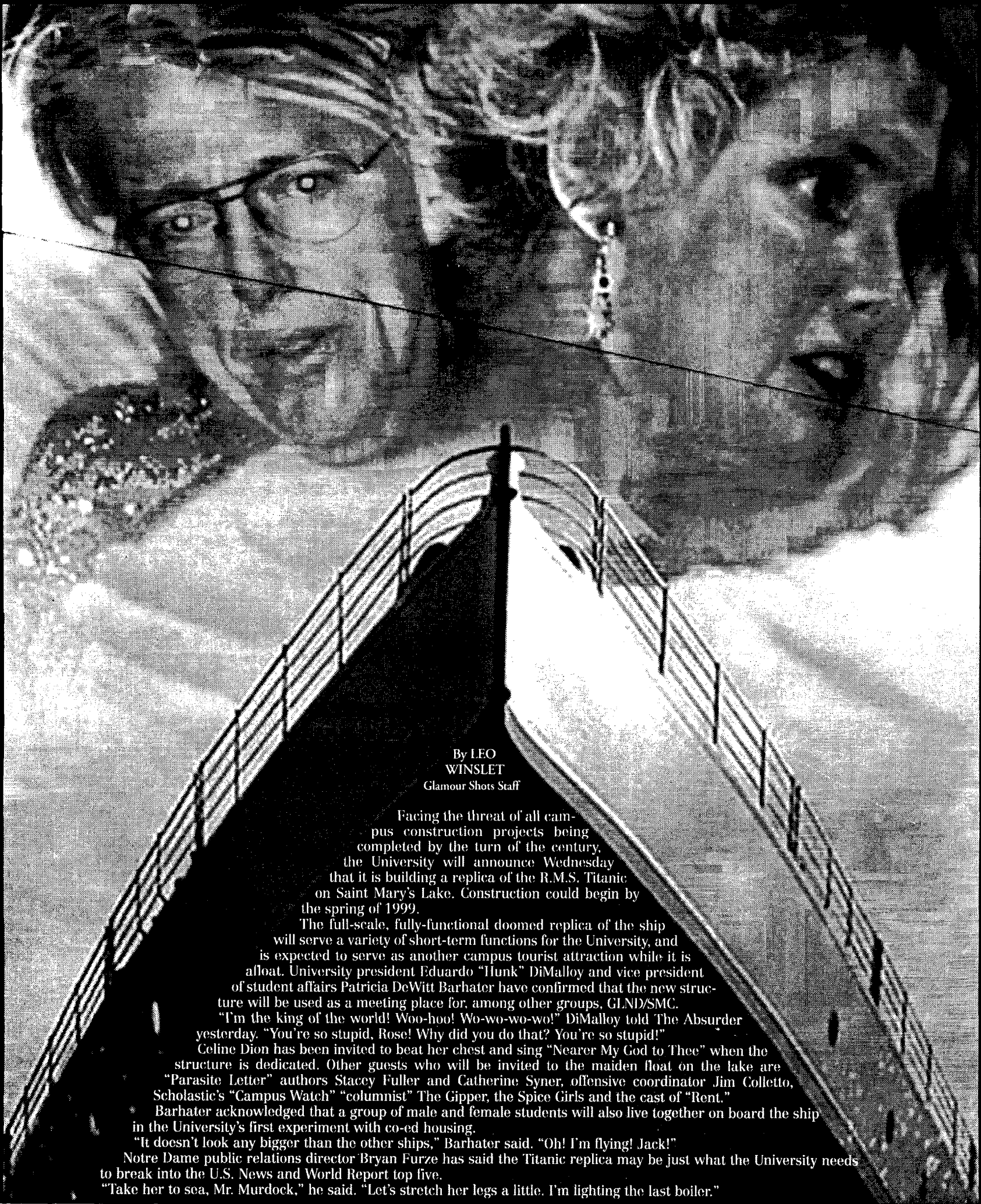
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What floats ND's boat ...



Proposed ship to house GLND/SMC among others



By LEO
WINSLET
Glamour Shots Staff

Facing the threat of all campus construction projects being completed by the turn of the century, the University will announce Wednesday that it is building a replica of the R.M.S. Titanic on Saint Mary's Lake. Construction could begin by the spring of 1999.

The full-scale, fully-functional doomed replica of the ship will serve a variety of short-term functions for the University, and is expected to serve as another campus tourist attraction while it is afloat. University president Eduardo "Hunk" DiMalloy and vice president of student affairs Patricia DeWitt Barhater have confirmed that the new structure will be used as a meeting place for, among other groups, GLND/SMC.

"I'm the king of the world! Woo-hoo! Wo-wo-wo-wo!" DiMalloy told The Absurder yesterday. "You're so stupid, Rose! Why did you do that? You're so stupid!"

Celine Dion has been invited to beat her chest and sing "Nearer My God to Thee" when the structure is dedicated. Other guests who will be invited to the maiden float on the lake are "Parasite Letter" authors Stacey Fuller and Catherine Syner, offensive coordinator Jim Colletto, Scholastic's "Campus Watch" columnist The Gipper, the Spice Girls and the cast of "Rent."

Barhater acknowledged that a group of male and female students will also live together on board the ship in the University's first experiment with co-ed housing.

"It doesn't look any bigger than the other ships," Barhater said. "Oh! I'm flying! Jack!"

Notre Dame public relations director Bryan Furze has said the Titanic replica may be just what the University needs to break into the U.S. News and World Report top five.

"Take her to sea, Mr. Murdock," he said. "Let's stretch her legs a little. I'm lighting the last boiler."

■ INSIDE CALAMITY

Listen to Me!

So I woke up today and my roommate's alarm was going off and it was like 8:46 and I didn't have to be up until 9:02 — and I just hate that. I think we need to do something about this epidemic. I suggest a rally at Stonehenge to protest my roommate not turning off her alarm in the mornings when I get up after she does.



Mary Kate Ashley Olsen
Child of the Corn

I went to the shower and because I was up 14 minutes early — I never claimed to be a math major — and had to wait because I'm usually there 13 minutes later and there's one open then, but not today. I had to stand there looking hideous in my shorts because I hadn't shaved for a week because it's been cold and I've been wearing pants.

I finally showered and got dressed and went to meet my friends in the dining hall, then remembered I didn't have any, and so I stood there talking to Smells Like Smoke Boy right in the middle of the aisle and everyone grunted at us when they walked by — they were so rude, couldn't they see we were trying to have a conversation and their grunting was distracting us?

I got to class and fell asleep right away and had a dream that Hootie and the Blowfish came to play in 101 DeBartolo and nobody cared, but I'm not sure if that's really a dream or a reality. I think it's sad.

I woke up and the next class had come into the classroom and I can't believe nobody woke me up to tell me class was over — I wish people would be more considerate to me.

I made it to lunch but I didn't eat much because I'm protesting the use of Styrofoam in the dining hall food, so I just threw it at the people guarding the doors. I also have PE right after I eat and I can't eat and run but I don't see the point of PE anyway because didn't we already go through all that in high school? I mean, aren't we in college here?

I also don't think professors should schedule movies on Wednesday nights or tests on Thursday because I have to watch "Party Of Five" and if I don't see Bailey I might just die.

I think people should listen to me more.

The views expressed in the Inside Calamity are those of the author and they stink, so you probably don't care. Just turn to the sports page.

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Married to the Mob

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The Fourth Blues Brother

Matt Loughran

I'm tall and, like, blonde

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■ ABSURD POLITICAL EVENT BEAT

Starr seeks to recall Hesburgh

By WOODWARD and BERNSTEIN
(Not really)

Morrissey Hall resident Kenneth Starr is circulating a petition of recall for Father Theodore Hesburgh.

The petition alleges that Hesburgh engaged in conduct unbecoming an officer of the University during his term as president of the school. Specifically, the petition denounces Hesburgh's decision to have Notre Dame go co-ed in the early 1970s, his work with the U.S. Civil Rights Commission, and his efforts to extend the right to vote to age 18.

"The world was a lot better place before Vatican II," said Starr. "Since then, the world has gone to hell. I mean, really: since Our Lady's university admitted women, the men of this school have become distracted from doing what they ought to be doing — glorifying God. Take the Rooks of Columbus; it's all male. Now that's an organization!"

Starr also decried Hesburgh's habit of drinking alcohol each day. "Is this the type of guy we want representing



Starr

the University?"

Hesburgh's top adviser, Fred Joiss, responded to that charge by saying, "It's wine. Ted says Mass every day, you idiot."

Starr has claimed that he has more than enough signatures to force a recall vote, but he declined to say when he would present the signatures.

"I want to wait until I have all the signatures I say I have," he said.

If Starr gets enough signatures, the next steps are a bit unclear. Ronald Commers, an expert in student government constitutional law, said the petition would go before the student body president, a position currently held by Max Grippen.

Grippen was out at Coach's and could not be reached for comment.

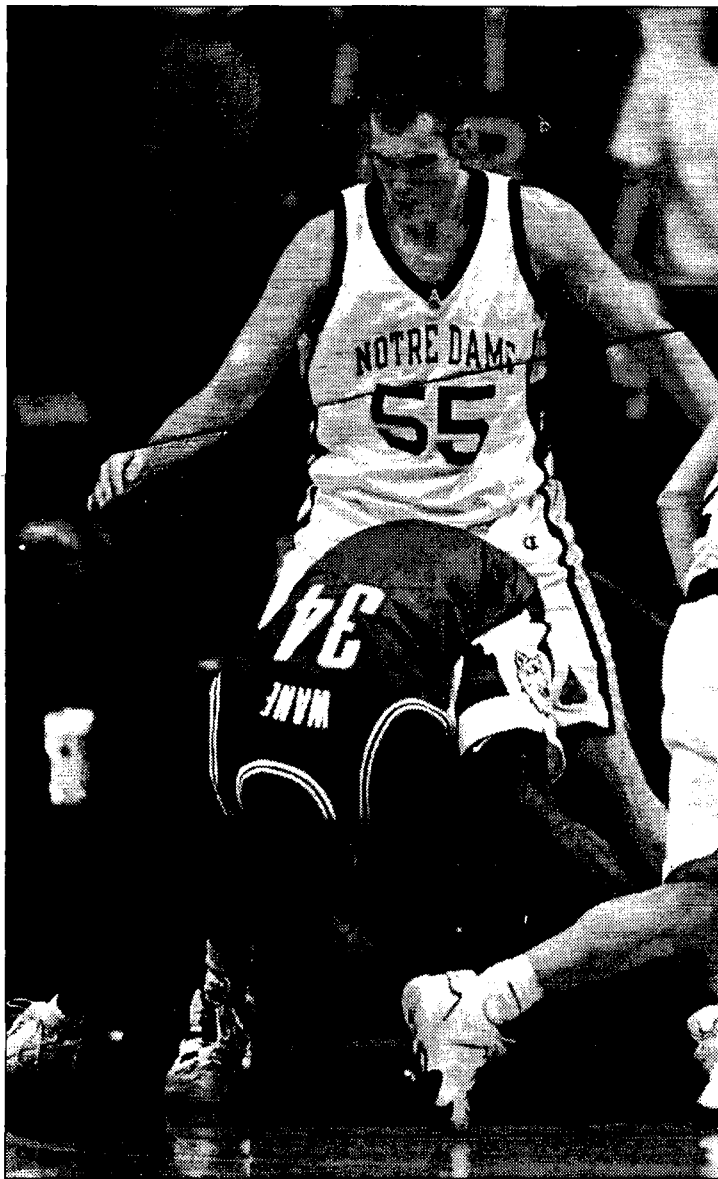
Hesburgh issued a statement late last night, his first public response to the petition.

"Listen, I'm Ted Hesburgh. 'Nuff said," he said.

Starr would not comment when asked what position Hesburgh would be recalled from, since he no longer has an official role at the University.

"Ooops, forgot about that," Starr said.

Whoa there, fella!



Phil Hickey gets into the "Spirit" of March Madness. "I've always tried to include everyone in the silly games I play out on the court," he said.

The Absurder/Big Bob Bird

This year's commencement speaker sucks

By PAULA STARR
Washington Correspondent

Monica Lewinsky, the former presidential intern, will be the keynote speaker at the class of 1998's graduation ceremonies. Lewinsky, herself a recent graduate from Lewis and Clark (Ore.) College, will focus her talk on getting ahead in the workplace.

"Lewinsky is a very energetic and passionate speaker. Listening to her is an orgasmic experience; we're thrilled she's coming to speak," said University president Hunk DiMalloy.

"I can't wait to give her a tour of the student government offices,"

commented former student body president Max Grippen. "My office has a locking door, and I hear she loves us presidential types."

Lewinsky's new book, "How to Make the Most of Your Summer Internship," is topping the New York Times bestseller list. The Hammes Notre Dame Bookstore will be hosting a book-signing on Saturday afternoon.

Lewinsky made herself available for comment on Monday.

Emerging from the Watergate building she stated, "I am bursting with excitement. I'm glad to know that I can be a role model for all those young people who want to

succeed. I'm living proof that you can do something with a liberal arts education."

President Bill Clinton endorsed the graduation committee's choice. "Monica will blow you away," he said. "Once again I did not have sexual relations with her."

Vernon Jordan claims he did not in any way help her get the speaking engagement at Notre Dame. "I have no contacts at Notre Dame and she got the invitation on her own merits."

"I just can't wait to share myself with the Notre Dame community. I am literary drooling at the chance to come," said Lewinsky.

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SMC prez to students: We'll think for you

By FRANK DREBIN
And Don't Call Me Shirley

Saint Mary's College president Marikate Elway announced yesterday afternoon that students will no longer be able to choose their own schedules come fall semester.

The decision, along with what majors are appropriate for each student, will be made by the administration in accordance with the Council on Doing Anything That's Platonic.

"I think it's gotten to the point lately that students have been making some very poor choices. By deciding what classes each student will take, they will no longer have a say in their education, leaving it entirely up to the administration," said Elway.

Elway also revealed that which professor teaches what course will be monitored.

"By having Dr. Cauley from communications teach an English literature course, students will gain another perspective and the campus will become more diverse as a result," Elway added.

Professor Cauley agreed with Elway and the council, adding, "It's been obvious for a long while that students cannot be trusted to decide for themselves what's appropriate. When they go and do things like hold unsupervised study groups, things really start to get out of hand."

While many students are stunned by the decision, some applaud Elway's attempt to straighten out the campus.

"I chose Saint Mary's because of its vicinity to Notre Dame. It's only natural for Elway to want us to be looked over properly; we'll make better wives that way," said a freshman who wished to remain anonymous.

In related news, CDAP has formed a subdivision entitled, the Committee on Parasitic Relations, (CPR) in order to tackle failing relationships with the University of Notre Dame.

What do you think?



'I'D LIKE TO THANK EVERYONE AT THE ABSURDER FOR THEIR CONSTANT TIME AND ATTENTION TO ME AND MY HEADSHOT.'

BRATT TSAZBO

'AS A PUBLIC FIGURE, I HAVE TO SAY THIS IS A DREAM COME TRUE FOR ME ...'

BRATT TSAZBO



'I'D LIKE TO THANK STUDENT SENATE AND THE CLC BECAUSE NO ONE ELSE LISTENS TO ME.'

BRATT TSAZBO

'DO I LOOK LIKE A PRESIDENT? ... NO REASON ...'

BRATT TSAZBO



'DO I LOOK OLDER WHEN I MAKE THIS FACE? WHAT IF I DYED MY HAIR? FACIAL HAIR?'

BRATT TSAZBO

SKEWED POINT

Kaczynski's got nothing on this guy

Editor's note: This is an actual letter that The Observer received last fall. Seriously. As Dave Barry would say, we are not making this up.

On this, the 29th of October in the year of our Lord 1997, I, the infamous Unastencher, wish to state my demands concerning the North Dining Hall. Failure to comply with these demands will result in a punishment unimaginable by the minds of the dining hall management. You may try what you will, even take my microwaves, but that is only a small part of my attack. I have many smelly tricks in store for NDH if my requests are ignored.

Hear me now, or you will smell me later. First of all, the students of Notre Dame do not pay for three meals a day to receive stank leftovers, so fresh foods shall be provided each day.

Secondly, the condiments shall be upgraded — no orange barbecue sauce — for these students deserve only the best. We need complimentary sauces for our entrees, such as bleu cheese on days when chicken wings are served. And an attendant must be assigned to each condiment island to ensure that we never see random bits of food floating in the ketchup.

Perhaps the worst that we are forced to deal with is the continual serving of certain foods that are not even fit for those who are eating from trash cans. Such foods

include the atrocious cheeseburger pie, chicken dumplings, beef turnover, grilled ham steak and beef stroganoff. Furthermore, there is no excuse for the taco meat to be drowning in thick pools of grease. It's called using pans that drain; use some common sense, folks. AND NO MORE HOT DOGS WITH VEINS.

I have noticed a disturbing trend: the recent influx of our South Quad brethren to my beloved NDH. Their overwhelming numbers have continually overcrowded the facility.

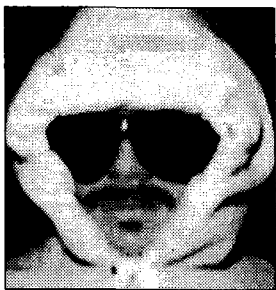
This is not their fault; rather it is due to the utter stupidity of those who decided to renovate South Dining Hall during the school year rather than during the summer. IDIOTS!

(This kind of logic must be the same that was used to guess my weapons. Nice try, but you were way off in thinking that it is mere parmesan cheese.)

It is a ridiculous notion to expect the students of Notre Dame to eat warmed up food transported across the campus. It is bad enough when we have to eat it hot. This alone can be blamed for my most recent attack.

I apologize to those students

'KNOW THIS: IF THIS IS NOT PRINTED AND MY DEMANDS ARE NOT MET, THEN PARENTS' WEEKEND WILL REEK OF THE SAME INJUSTICE THAT PLAGUES THE DINING HALL.'



THE UNASTENCHER

whose meals were abruptly interrupted by the unbearable smell, and I hope I made up for it with my grand and beautiful fireworks extravaganza that took place in the middle of North Quad immediately following the evacuation. It was truly a wonderful sight.

These are my demands, and for the sake of the students of the University of Notre Dame du Lac, I request that this manifesto be made public. Only if these demands are met can I ensure that further stenching will be avoided.

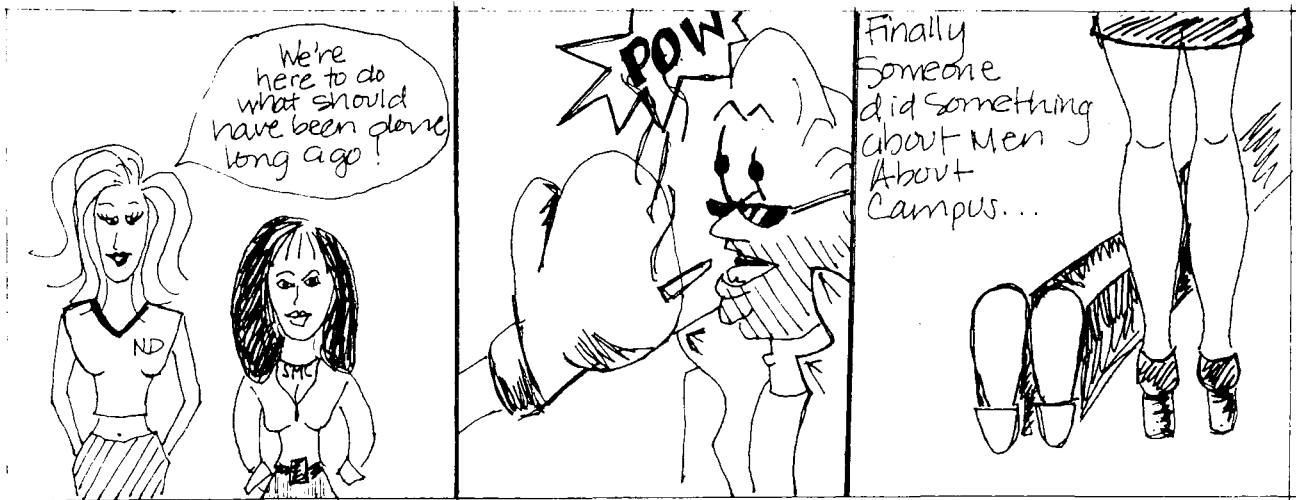
I will take my leave now, but know this: if this is not printed and these demands are not met, then Parents' Weekend will reek of the same injustice that plagues the dining hall.

Good day.

The Unastencher
October 29, 1997

WOMEN ABOUT CAMPUS

"DON'T CALL" BROOKS



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PERSONAL

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I'm writing to my roommates ...

Hi to all my Observer friends ...

Hi to all my non-Observer friends

Insert inside Observer joke ...

Do it 20 more times ...

San Antonio-How about them 'Cats? -Los Angeles

Insert not so vague reference to how late it is, how much fellow Observerites rock/suck/annoy/etc.

Blah, blah, blah yes of course we're the ones who

always write these — wouldn't you?

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Do it 20 more times ...

"I spoke to your husband Alan today, and what I couldn't figure out was" "Alan is in Utah" "I couldn't figure out why I was in Utah."

Just the facts, ma'am, just the facts.

SPORTS

Swing&Miss

Taking a whiff of the news
By PEAT THEFLOOR

GoodMorning



**Kevin
Pendergast**

What's the over-under on
your IQ?

SoTHAT's WhatHappened

On the heels of the probe into
point-shaving at Northwestern,
investigators have learned why
Notre Dame's placekickers
missed so many field goals and
extra points over the last few
years.

Is it any coincidence that
Pendergast was a placekicker,
too? We think not.

TheNiceItem



Pat Garrity

Big East player of the year
one year, Big East student-ath-
lete of the year the next. Hey
Pat, I've got a thesis due next
week. Can you help?

SecurityBeat



Cooper Rego

Hey, Marshall U., this guy's
application is in the mail.

TheMatchGame



Colletto

Clinton

One sucks at calling plays, the
other, well, you get the picture ...

How much do you love The Absurder?



Malloy: "THIIIISS much!"

LET'S GET READY TO RUMBLE

Finally, something accomplished at CLC

By MICHAEL TYESON
Sports Writer

The spirit of this year's
Bengal Bouts made its way
into the Campus Life Council
on Monday when dean of stu-
dents Will Qwuirk and Morris
Hall senator Bratt Tsazbo
threw down in the middle of
the meeting.

"I'm gonna get you, you lit-
tle twerp," Qwuirk screamed
as he jumped over the table
and rushed at Tsazbo.

Tsazbo hurried to defend
himself, and the boxing
match ensued.

Qwuirk's flurry of introduc-
tory punches, all of which
landed with emphasis on the
unprepared senator, were
punctuated with irritated
statements. "I am so (punch)
damned (punch) sick of your
(punch) stupid (punch) whin-
ing," he grunted.

Mark Jiggins, outgoing stu-
dent body secretary, tried to
act as a moderator during the
bout. "I think that we should
follow Robert's Rules of
Order," he said. "The section
about boxing clearly defines
..." He was suddenly cut off by

'YOU WANT A PIECE OF ME?'



BRATT TSAZBO

**'I'M GONNA GET YOU, YOU
LITTLE TWERP.'** WILL QWUIRK

Tsazbo who told him, "Shut
up blondie," and threw him
out of the ring by his nuclear-
warning-sign colored hair.

The argument reportedly
broke out over whether or not
underage students should be
allowed to go to bars and
drink all that they want.

Tsazbo wanted to send all
of his underage friends out to
get drunk, while Qwuirk and
Father Still Beacht, who was
seen at a recent underage bar
bust, want underage students
only to break the law while
they are on campus.

When the dust cleared on
the center ring, the entire stu-
dent body was declared the

winner as both parties
knocked each other into next
week. The impromptu match
also suspended the rest of
business for the council,
which included one item,
plans for a barbecue party.

"I'm glad to see this hap-
pen," said Willie Patter Down,
XXXVI, local campus publish-
er. "I came to this meeting to
defend the spelling of our
masthead and have no idea
what I was going to say or
which language I was going
to say it in." When asked for
clarification about the prob-
lems with his publication, his
only answer was, "What pub-
lication?"

The following is a
list of everything
accomplished by
CLC this year:



Breaking news! ND raises tuition to absurd level

By I.M. FLETCHER
P.S. Have a nice day

With a live satellite feed to alumni chap-
ters nationwide, the University celebrated
yesterday the announcement that tuition for
the coming school year would exceed
\$30,000.

"We are very grateful to the Office of
Business Operations for developing a bud-
get that allows us to hike tuition up even
higher," said University president Father
Eduardo "Hunk" DiMalloy. "With the tuition
revenue, we will be able to pave over St.
Joseph's Lake."

Alumni nationwide cheered the
announcement.

"I'm glad tuition wasn't that high when I
was there," said Rex Fillbin. "I mean,
whoa!"

A University suppressed release indicated
that the tuition level, while increasing, is
still much lower than the tuition at other
highly-ranked schools such as the
University of Chicago.

"The tuition level, while increasing, is still
much lower than the tuition at other highly-
ranked schools such as the University of
Chicago," said Bryan Furze, director of
Notre Dame Public Relations.

"Our tuition level, while increasing, is still
much lower than the tuition at other highly-
ranked schools such as Yale," said More
Dennis, director of University of Chicago
Public Relations.

"Our tuition level, while increasing, is still
much lower than the tuition at other highly-
ranked schools such as Harvard," said
Brown Dennis, director of Yale Public
Relations.

"Hey, we're Harvard. We'll charge what-
ever we like and you'll pay it. So stop both-
ering us," said Dennis Dennis, director of
Harvard Public Relations.

The rate of increase will be 5.6 percent,
.00006 percentage points lower than last
year's rate of increase.

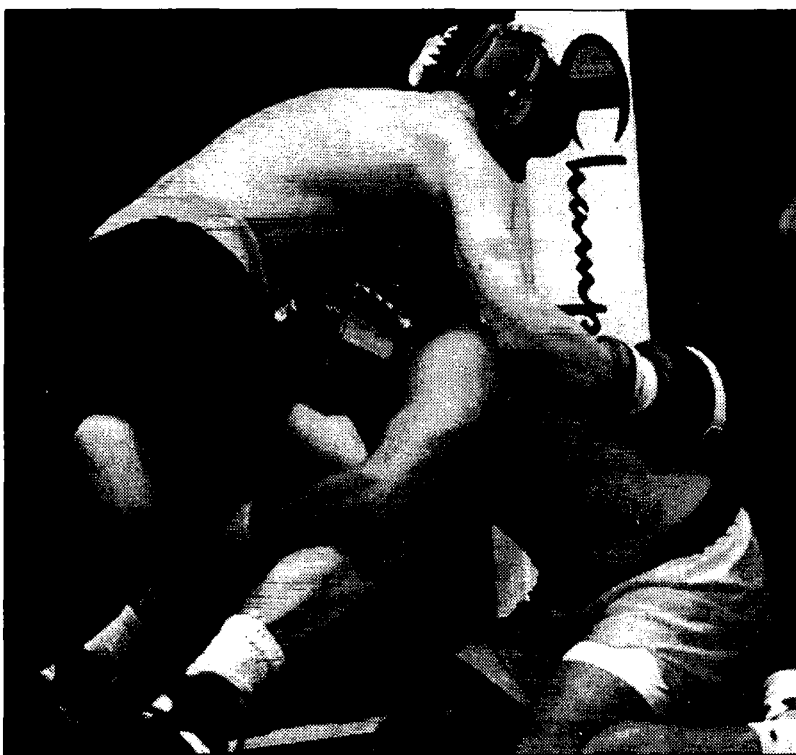
"This clearly indicates we are holding
down our tuition rate of increase, while
other schools are allowing their rates of
tuition increase to increase," said the press
release.

But tuition is still going up, and it's still
over \$30,000, right?

"Well, yeah," said the press release.

In related news, the University has
annexed the state of Michigan so that it
could build more athletic facilities and re-
novate more sidewalks. Recent college grad-
uates could not be reached for comment;
they were too busy working two jobs to pay
off student loans.

The letter jackets aren't the only benefit



Hey Mr. Kessler, these guys are going the extra mile to help out the improv-
erished in Bangladesh. What are you doing to help?

Media hit dead end

By OUTA MONEY
Arts & Letters Senior

In an "uncharacteristically" indeci-
sive act, the Notre Dame administra-
tion has halted plans for a move of
the student media from the
LaFortune Student Center to the
basement of South Dining Hall.

Stating the need for more empty
space on campus, University presi-
dent Father Eduardo "Hunk"
DiMalloy announced that the groups
would instead be transferred to the
"cozier" location of the basement of
Haggar Hall.

"Student publications hold a special
place in my heart, and I am willing to
do whatever it takes to show them
their place ... ummm, I mean show
them to their place," said DiMalloy.

When asked about rumors that the
basement of Haggar Hall also houses
the corpses used by a local medical
college, he glanced at a nearby copy
of O.J. Simpson's book "I Want to Tell
You" and replied, "Suppose for a sec-
ond that I moved them to the same

location that houses corpses. It would
mean that I liked them too much,
right?"

All three student publications are
protesting the move but were reas-
sured by Mo Assidy, director of the
Office of Restricting Student
Activities, that the move was only
temporary.

"Next year we're killing two birds
with one stone," said Assidy. "In
response to the student media's com-
plaints about moving and South
Quad's complaints about styrofoam
at South Dining Hall, we are taking
the appropriate action and moving
both the student media and food ser-
vices to University Park Mall."

The decision to relocate dining hall
services and the publications came
after the University contracted a local
elementary school to assess student
needs on campus.

First-grader Molly Tucker, who
participated actively in the assess-
ment, explained, "I like the mall.
Everyone likes the mall. Have you
seen the new Barney movie?"

SIBLINGS WEEKEND

1998 Sibs Weekend: Food, Fun & Family

By KRISTI KLITSCH
Scene Editor

Many participants in Sophomore Siblings Weekend enjoy themselves and praise the plans and preparation, but few people realize the hard work that goes into making the weekend a success.

Teresa Hoover and Carrie Hedin, the sophomore siblings co-chairs for this year's weekend, now understand exactly how much planning goes into Sophomore Siblings Weekend, which will be held this weekend.

The two began planning for the event only a few weeks into the school year last fall. At that point, they concentrated on finding out what could work, talking to juniors and seniors who had participated in the weekend, making room reservations and formulating ideas.

One problem that Hedin and Hoover struggled with was the absence of an advisor during most of the planning.

"We didn't have an advisor for a while," Hedin said. "Then we got a new advisor, but he quit. We then got a secretary in Student Activities and then finally Joe Cassidy became our advisor."

Despite this problem, the girls had a majority of the planning completed before the end of the first semester.

"The first letter [to parents] went out around October 15," Hedin said. "This letter included a pre-registration form that was due at the beginning of December, but required no monetary commitment."

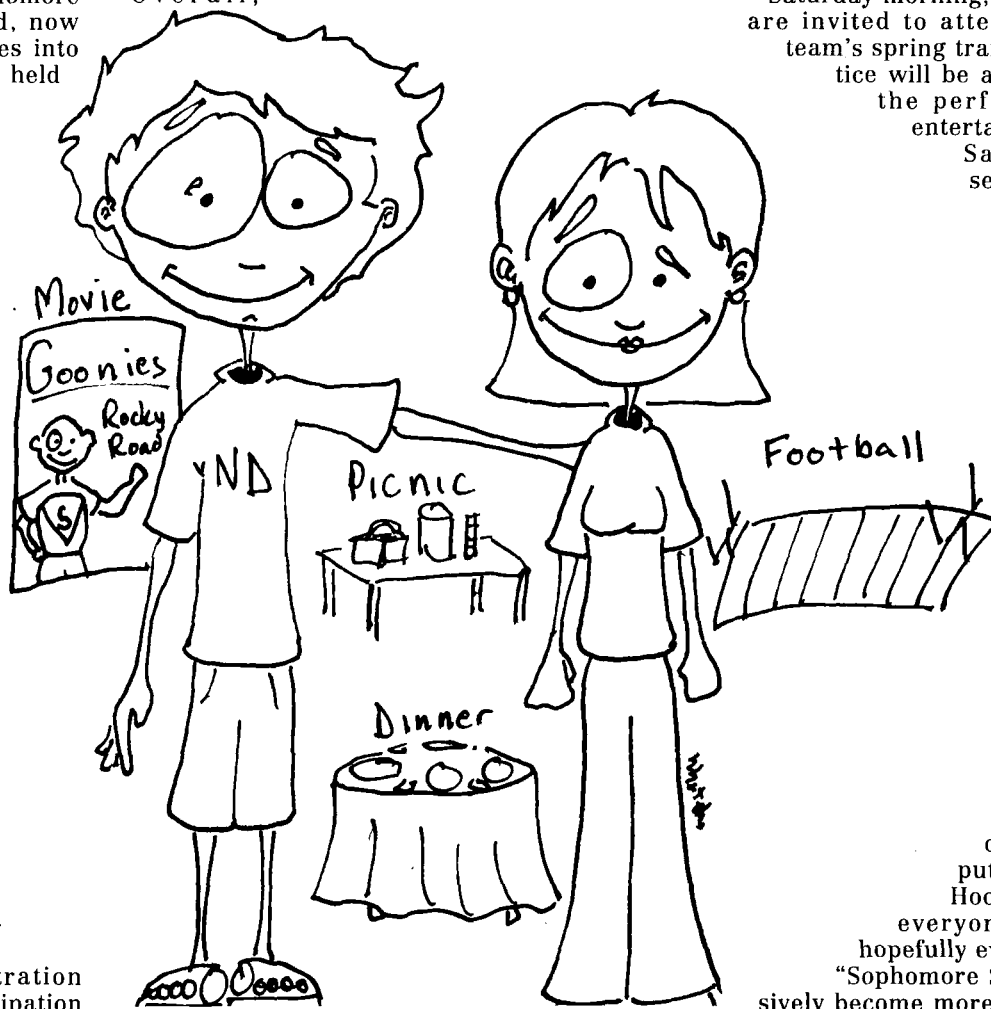
Hedin and Hoover used the pre-registration forms to get an idea of the amount of participation in the weekend. Then, in mid-January, they sent out the second letter to parents. This letter required \$65 to be paid for the first siblings, and \$45 for each additional sibling attending the weekend. The letter also included a permission form, waiver form and information about housing and

transportation.

"I remember spending about 18 hours putting together envelopes to be mailed," Hedin said.

In addition to the bulk mailing, the chairpersons had to contact student groups, formulate a T-shirt design, formulate a budget, organize food for the weekend and many other responsibilities.

Overall,



about 400 siblings are coming to campus this weekend, ages range from 11-15.

The weekend will begin Friday afternoon during registration. At this time, sophomores will fill out

the mandatory Student Responsibility Contract and all participants will receive their free t-shirt. Friday night all siblings will receive a voucher to eat in the dining halls, and following dinner, the movie "Goonies" will be held in the Jordan Auditorium of the College of Business Administration.

Saturday morning, sophomores and their siblings are invited to attend the Notre Dame football team's spring training practice. Following practice will be a picnic at the JACC, including the performances of many campus entertainment groups.

Saturday evening the annual semi-formal dinner will be held at the Joyce Center, with guest speaker Bob Davie. Following the dinner, a dance will be held at Alumni Senior Club.

Sunday's events will conclude the weekend; sophomores and their siblings are invited to eat breakfast in the dining halls followed by a mass held in the Stanford/Keenan Chapel.

In light of all the hard work involved with the planning and preparation for the weekend, Hedin and Hoover approach the event with excitement.

"I am very optimistic and excited for the weekend," Hedin said. "Because of all the time and energy we put in, everything is organized."

Hoover agreed, saying: "We want everyone to have a good time, and hopefully everything will go smoothly."

"Sophomore Siblings Weekend has progressively become more and more of a big deal, and I hope that it becomes something that people know about when applying to Notre Dame," Hoover added.

"I am very excited for our guest speaker and the campus entertainment groups. I hope that is a lot of fun for everyone involved," Hedin said.



Sophomore Siblings Weekend

Friday, April 3

- 3-7 pm Registration - Dooley Room of LaFortune
- 4:30-7 pm Dinner at NDH & SDH via vouchers
- 7:30 pm Movie: *Goonies* - Jordan Auditorium/COBA
- 8:00 pm *Collegiate Jazz Festival at Stepan
- 8 & 10:30 pm *SUB movie: *Tomorrow Never Dies*

Saturday, April 4

- 10:30 am Notre Dame Varsity football practice
- 12-2 pm Lunch at JACC with campus entertainment
- 1-4 pm *Collegiate Jazz Festival at Stepan
- 2-5 pm Free Time (*Bookstore Basketball games)
- 5:15 pm Semi-Formal Dinner with speaker Bob Davie
- 7:30 pm *Collegiate Jazz Festival resumes
- 8-11 pm Dance at Alumni-Senior Club

Sunday, April 5

- 8-10:30 am Breakfast at NDH & SDH via vouchers
- 10 am Mass - Morrissey Manor or Keenan/Stanford

*Indicates events not sponsored by Sophomore Siblings Committee

The Observer/Melissa Weber



Photo courtesy of Kristi Klitsch

Notre Dame students Karen Cowan and Mary Anne Garvie, sibling John Garvie and friend Derek Blitz (from left to right) dance at Alumni-Senior Club during last year's Sophomore Siblings Weekend.

Mariners' bullpen ruins four-homer opener

Associated Press

SEATTLE — Once again, Ken Griffey Jr. and the Seattle sluggers were undone by the Mariners' bullpen.

Griffey, Jay Buhner, Edgar Martinez and Russ Davis each homered Tuesday, but the Cleveland Indians rallied for four runs in the eighth inning against Seattle's shaky relievers to win 10-9 on opening night.

Seattle's bullpen, which blew 27 save chances last season, betrayed manager Lou Piniella. Bobby Ayala, loser Tony Fossas and Mike Timlin combined to allowed two hits and five walks in the eighth.

The Mariners took a 9-6 lead into the eighth. Ayala walked pinch-hitter Jim Thome and Kenny Lofton hit an RBI triple. After Omar Vizquel walked, Fossas came in and walked David Justice.

Timlin relieved, and a two-run double by Manny Ramirez tied it at 9. Pinch-hitter Brian Giles was intentionally walked to load the bases, but Timlin walked Travis Fryman on five pitches to force home the go-ahead run.

ROYALS 4 ORIOLES 1

The weather was unusually fine, and so was Tim Belcher.

Belcher, starting in place of the injured Kevin Appier, allowed three hits in seven scoreless innings Tuesday as the Kansas City Royals opened the season by beating Mike Mussina and the Baltimore Orioles 4-1.

Rookie Larry Sutton drove in

three runs and Jeff King went 2-for-2 and scored twice before leaving in the fourth inning with a sore back. It was the fifth straight time the Royals opened the season against Baltimore — and only the second time they won.

Baltimore lost despite 11 strikeouts in eight innings by Mussina, and the defeat ruined the debut of Orioles' manager Ray Miller, whose star-studded team is expected to make a third straight run at the playoffs. On this day, however, Baltimore's potent batting order was quiet against a 36-year-old pitcher who went 13-12 last year with a 5.02 ERA.

After Belcher left, consecutive doubles by Joe Carter and Chris Hoiles against Jose Rosado got Baltimore to 3-1 in the eighth. Scott Service then struck out pinch-hitter Harold Baines and Jeff Montgomery worked the ninth for the save.

Kansas City went ahead in the second when King singled, took third on Terry Pendleton's double and scored on Dean Palmer's groundout. It was Pendleton's first AL at-bat after a 13 years in the NL.

TIGERS 11 DEVIL RAYS 6

Playing like the expansion team they are, the Tampa Bay Devil Rays fell flat in their first game, losing 11-6 to the Detroit Tigers on Tuesday.

Joe Randa and Joe Oliver each drove in three runs and Luis Gonzalez hit a two-run homer as the Tigers ruined the day for a sellout crowd of 45,369 at Tropicana Field.

Wade Boggs' two-run homer

off winner Justin Thompson in the sixth inning was about all Devil Rays' fans had to cheer before an hour-long pregame celebration of baseball's arrival in Florida's west coast.

Left-hander Wilson Alvarez threw the first pitch in team history at 5:08 p.m. EST, more than 20 years after a committee was first formed to pursue major league baseball for the region.

Detroit began the second with five straight hits, loading the bases on singles by Tony Clark, Damion Easley and Gonzalez. Randa followed with a double and Oliver singled, which each driving in two runs.

Randa and Oliver drove in runs in the third to chase Alvarez, who gave up six runs and nine hits in 2 1-3 innings. Gonzalez hit the first home run at Tropicana Field during the Tigers' five-run fifth.

Randa, Gonzalez and Easley each had three of Detroit's 18 hits. Brian Hunter had a two-run double to back Thompson, who gave up eight hits in six innings.

The Devil Rays scored four times in the ninth. Quinton McCracken and Rich Butler had RBI singles, Boggs walked with the bases loaded and another run scored on pitcher Todd Jones' error.

WHITE SOX 9 RANGERS 2

If only Frank Thomas, Albert Belle and Robin Ventura can keep it up for the entire season.

In Jerry Manuel's first game as manager of the White Sox, Chicago's big three flashed the

offense the team needs to get back into the playoffs, driving in two runs each Tuesday in a 9-2, season-opening victory over the Texas Rangers.

Jaime Navarro allowed just five hits in six innings, and Mike Cameron saved a home run when he leaped in left-center to snare a ninth-inning drive by Fernando Tatis that was headed over the wall.

Before 45,909, the largest crowd for a Rangers opener, Belle began things in the fifth inning with a squib shot just over the glove of first baseman Will Clark, the first hit off loser John Burkett. Three pitches later, Ventura hit a high drive that just cleared the center-field fence.

Cameron hit a two-run single with two outs, Thomas followed with an RBI double and Belle had knocked out Burkett with his second single, driving in two more runs.

Thomas' second RBI came in the seventh with another double. Chicago scored again in the ninth as Charlie O'Brien singled home Magglio Ordonez. Both O'Brien and Ordonez had three hits each.

Despite being perfect the first four innings, Burkett's line was more reminiscent of the way he pitched last year (9-12, 4.56 ERA) than the way he looked this spring (4-1, 1.01).

Navarro, the winner, opened his second season with the White Sox with one of his best games since joining the club. He scattered his five hits over the first five innings, walked just one and struck out two.

Juan Gonzalez and Ivan Rodriguez had RBI singles in the eighth off Keith Foulke. With two outs and the bases

loaded, shortstop Mike Caruso made a nice diving stop of an up-the-middle grounder by Kevin Elster, flipping it to second for the forceout.

GIANTS 9 ASTROS 4

Jeff Kent went 5-for-7 with a three-run homer and keyed a five-run 13th inning with a run-scoring double, leading the San Francisco Giants to a 9-4 victory over Houston in the season-opener at the Astrodome. Alex Diaz snapped the 13th-inning tie with a run-scoring single and Stan Javier broke it open with a three-run double, as the Giants improved to 5-1 against Houston in season-openers.

Charlie Hayes led off the 13th with a walk off C.J. Nitkowski and went to third on a base hit by Rey Sanchez. Houston shortstop Tim Bogar then cut down Hayes at home as he tried to score on a grounder by Darryl Hamilton, but Bogar could not come up with Diaz' grounder up the middle. The ball hit Bogar's glove as he dove and it trickled away, allowing Sanchez to score and snap a 4-4 tie.

Nitkowski fanned Barry Bonds for the second out of the inning, but Jose Cabrera came on and the Giants poured it on. Kent greeted Cabrera with a ground-rule double, scoring Hamilton for a 6-4 lead. J.T. Snow was walked intentionally to load the bases and Javier cleared them with a double to right-center.

The Astros put their first two batters on in the bottom of the 13th against Jim Poole, but the lefty retired the next three hitters to end it.

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PERSONAL

look at all this junk food ...
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April 1 — Alumni-Senior Club (21 and over)
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So, it is again time for April's Fool Day huh?
Well, then here we go.....
If you were to cross Monica Lewinsky, Bill Clinton, and the Easter Bunny, what would you get?
.....Just a Bunny
(That and a night of steamy fun)

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The air is warm, the rain is falling, the grass turning greener, and the sound of baseball has returned. All is right with the world again.

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That takes care of THAT!

Hey, does anyone know if the Copy Shop is open late?

Mexico Mumbings:
• "If I had a pool I'd be under water right now."
• "Who's she? Can I keep her?"
• "If I stuff money down your pants, will you go away?"
• "I'm all greased up ... "And nowhere to go."
• "We need to get the cuenta and get the hell out of here."
• "Is anyone else revolted by 70-year-old men in Speedos?"
• "Gigi? Is that her stage name?"
• "It's like an island." "Sometimes it's stormy, sometimes it's not."
• "Ooh — She's riding that station."
• "This can't be possible, but the moon feels really hot on my arm."

Hey, Jack Kerouac.

Since beginningless time and into the never-ending future, men have loved women without telling them, and the Lord has loved them without telling, and the void is not the void because there's nothing to be empty of.

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On March 18, 1998, Father David Garrick resigned as a Notre Dame faculty member in protest of our administration's denial of equal rights for lesbian, gay, and bisexual people. In the spirit of hope and dignity, we actively voice our support for Father Garrick and for equal treatment of all our Notre Dame and Saint Mary's sisters and brothers.

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COLLEGE BASKETBALL

Wildcats and Utes grab lowest title game ratings

Associated Press

NEW YORK

The championship of one of the most exciting NCAA tournaments in history brought CBS the lowest prime-time title game rating ever.

Kentucky's victory against Utah on Monday night got a 17.8 rating/28 share, the lowest for the NCAA championship game since the 1972 UCLA-Florida State final, played in the afternoon, got a 16.0/35.

The rating is 6 percent below the 18.9 for Arizona's 1997 overtime win against Kentucky

and 22 percent below the 22.7 from the Michigan-Duke final in 1992. Since that game, the rating has slipped every year except 1997.

Since 1992, the ratings for the NBA Finals have jumped 18 percent since 1992, the Super Bowl is up 10 percent since that year and the World Series has slipped 17 percent.

The championship game did have a higher rating than last year's NBA Finals, which averaged a 16.8/20 for six games. The highest-rated game from the Bulls-Jazz series, the fifth game, got a 20.1/35.

The NCAA tournament as a whole, with 18 games decided by fewer than three points or in overtime, ended at 7.3/17, 2 percent higher than the 7.2/17

last year. That rating is tied with 1995 for the second lowest since CBS began broadcasting the entire tournament in 1991. Last year's tournament aver-

aged a 7.2/17.

Each ratings point represents 980,000 homes. The share is the percentage of televisions in actual use at the time.

Tourney bet estimates near Super Bowl level

Associated Press

LAS VEGAS

Odds makers say the amount of money bet on the entire NCAA basketball tournament may have equaled the sum wagered on the Super Bowl.

The NFL championship game between the Denver Broncos and Green Bay Packers drew more than \$78 million in legalized bets, the Nevada Gaming Control Board said.

Though the Gaming Control Board does not track betting on the NCAA tournament, experts estimate the handle on this year's 63-game showcase is expected to match numbers posted for the Super Bowl.

"Before the tournament, I said it would be between \$75 (million) and \$85 million, and I still feel that way, even though it's impossible to verify it," said Michael Roxborough of Las Vegas Sports Consultants Inc., which provides betting lines for 90 percent of Nevada sports books. "We've got a good feel for this, and we have no reason to feel otherwise."

Roxborough says the NCAA tournament has become hugely popular with a wide variety of bettors.

"The tournament crowd is

normally very young, a lot of people in the 21-25 age group that hotels normally can't attract for gambling," Roxborough said.

"But that group likes to bet college basketball, and the thing about the tournament is everyone has some affiliation with the college game. Either you went to a school involved in the tournament, or your kid goes to one, or you know somebody that goes to one, or you lived near one."

The Super Bowl, he said, usually attracts more big-money, experienced players.

The result is a far higher volume of tickets bet on the NCAA tournament than the Super Bowl, with a far lower average of money played per ticket.

At The Mirage, sports book manager Robert Walker said the largest bets for Final Four weekend were \$20,000-\$40,000.

"For us, it was everything we could hope for," Walker said. "The underdogs covered (on Saturday), which is normally good for sports books. There was a lot of excitement and a lot of drama. I don't know the specifics yet, but we did more business than any tournament in the past, and I don't remember the Final Four being that vocal."

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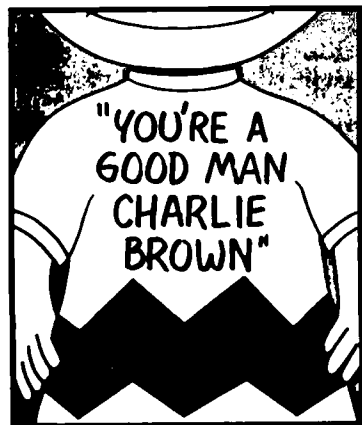
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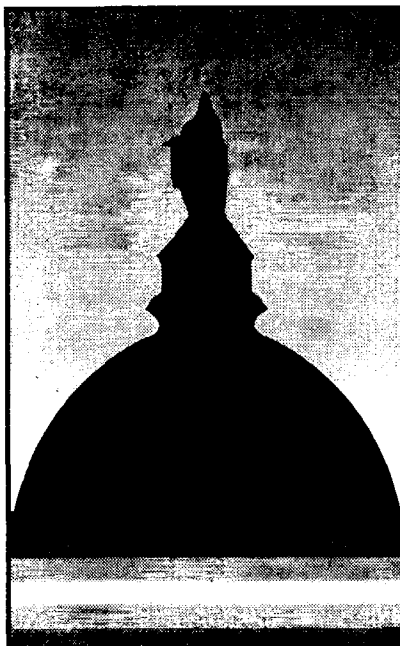


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RecSports "Champion Student Award" recipients are selected by the Office of Recreational Sports. Honorees are chosen for their involvement in RecSports, including excellence in sportsmanship, leadership and participation.



Gene Brtalik is a sophomore residing in Stanford Hall, where he serves as Athletic Commissioner. Hailing from Seaford, New York, Gene has become very involved in the RecSports program. He has captained the reigning innertube water polo champion team and is looking to own the crown until he leaves Notre Dame. Gene served as the Late Night Olympics representative from Stanford and has participated in soccer, basketball, floor hockey and bowling. You may also hear Gene as he serves as announcer for Men's and Women's Lacrosse games and an occasional baseball game.

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Mets need 14 innings to defeat Phillies, 1-0

Associated Press

FLUSHING, N.Y. Alberto Castillo's bases loaded, two-out, single in the bottom of the 14th scored Brian McRae to give the Mets a 1-0 victory over the Phillies in

the season-opener at Shea Stadium. Turk Wendell (1-0) pitched two innings of no-hit ball to earn the win, while Ricky Bottalico (0-1) suffered the loss.

Following a McRae walk in the 14th, the Mets had runners

on first and second with nobody out. Edgardo Alfonzo's sacrifice attempt backfired as Bottalico threw out the lead runner at third.

Up to the plate stepped Bernard Gilkey and the left-fielder smacked what appeared to be a game-winning single to left field.

However, McRae tripped rounding third, leaving the bases loaded.

Luis Lopez, who entered the game in the 10th

inning as a pinch runner, popped up a 3-2 fastball from Bottalico for the second out of the inning. Castillo was brought in to pinch-hit for Wendell by Mets manager Bobby Valentine and the 28-year-old delivered a line drive through the right side of the infield. It was the New York's 15th win in its last 16 home-openers.

Last year's big league strike-out leader, Curt Schilling, started and pitched strong baseball for the Phils. The righthander worked eight innings of two-hit ball with one walk and nine strikeouts before giving way to Jerry Spradlin.

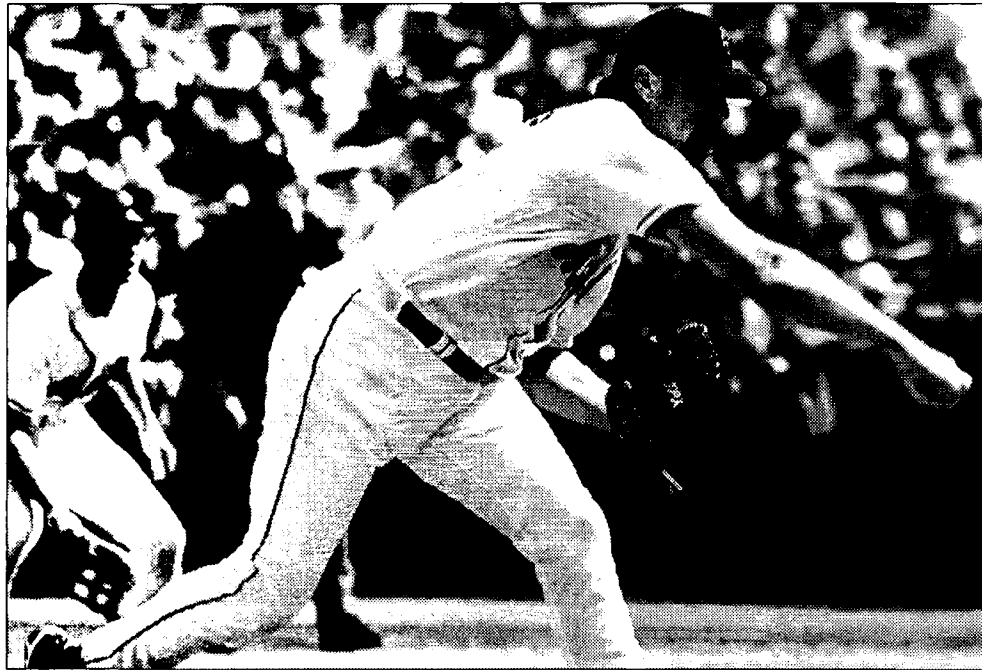
Bobby Jones of the Mets was Schilling's equal as he worked six innings before giving way to

Greg McMichael. Jones fanned one, walked two and allowed four hits.

Spradlin, lefty Billy Brewer, and veteran Mark Leiter combined to give Philadelphia three innings of quality relief before Bottalico took over in the 12th. The Phils closer went 2 2/3 innings, giving up four hits while walking one. He also struck out two.

McMichael, Dennis Cook, John Franco, Mel Rojas, and Wendell worked out of the pen for New York.

The 14-inning marathon broke the record for the longest opening-day scoreless game. In 1919, the Washington Senators defeated the Philadelphia Athletics, 1-0 in 13 innings.



New York Mets' opening day starter Bobby Jones scattered four hits and two walks in six scoreless innings Tuesday.

McGwire's slam leads Cards; Reese's four errors hurt Reds

Associated Press

ST. LOUIS Mark McGwire hit the first grand slam in St. Louis Cardinals opening day history to power the Cardinals past the Los Angeles Dodgers, 6-0. Todd Stottlemire pitched 7 1/3 scoreless innings for the Cardinals to pick up the victory.

Stottlemire (1-0) struck out five, allowing just three hits and two walks. Lance Painter, John Frascatore, and Braden Looper combined to finish the game. The shutout was the Cardinals first on opening day since 1980.

Ramon Martinez (0-1) worked his way through the Cardinal lineup for the first four innings without much trouble, but the Cardinals tacked on four runs in the fifth. Gary Gaetti led off the inning with a double to right field. Catcher Tom Lampkin followed with a single, advancing Gaetti to third.

Martinez nearly worked his way out of the trouble, striking out Stottlemire and Royce Clayton. However, Delino DeShields drew a walk to load the bases, and then McGwire hit a 1-0 pitch over the fence in left field for the 10th grand slam of his career. That was the end of the line for Martinez, who was replaced by Darren Hall.

The Dodgers never threatened over the next few innings, and St. Louis put the game away in the eighth inning. Gaetti and Willie McGee each drove in runs with singles to set the final score.

Looper, the Cardinals' closer of the future, struck out the side in the ninth. Looper was making his major league debut.

PADRES 10 REDS 2

Kevin Brown pitched 6 1/3 innings, allowing one run on five hits and striking out seven in his debut as a San Diego Padre, and leading the Padres to a season-opening 10-0 victory over the Cincinnati Reds at Riverfront Stadium. Brown is now 5-0 lifetime against the Reds.

The Padres scored three times in the top of the third inning off of Reds starter Mike Remlinger. Padres lead-off hitter Quilvio Veras reached on an error by Reds shortstop Pokey Reese, Reese's second of the game. Steve Finley followed with a double for the Padres, putting runners on second and third. Tony Gwynn followed with a ground ball to shortstop that Reese batted for his third error of the game, allowing Gwynn to reach base. Reese then failed to pick the ball up, allowing Veras to score and Finley to advance to third base.

Reese was charged with a double error on the play, giving him four errors in the game's first three innings. Ken Caminiti followed with a run-scoring single to make it 2-0. Gwynn scored on a wild pitch by Remlinger for the Padres' third run of the inning.

Meanwhile, Brown was holding the Reds at bay, allowing just three base runners in the first five innings. David Weathers relieved Remlinger in the sixth and was greeted by a Wally Joyner home run. Joyner's solo homer put the Padres ahead 4-0.

Ricardo Jordan took over for Weathers in the seventh, and San Diego took over the ballgame. Finley walked with one out. Tony Gwynn followed with his first home run of the season, giving San Diego a six-run lead.

However, the Padres were not finished. Caminiti singled. Jordan proceeded to walk the next three batters, forcing home Caminiti. Gabe White relieved Jordan and retired Chris Gomez, but Brown followed with a bases-clearing double.

The Reds finally got on the board in the bottom of the seventh, as second baseman Bret Boone singled home Reggie Sanders. The hit chased Brown from the game. Brian Boehringer took over and got out of the jam.

The Reds pushed another run across in the eighth, when Eduardo Perez singled in Jon Nunnally. Padre reliever Don Wengert retired Eddie Taubensee on a fly ball to right field to get out of a bases loaded jam.

Cubs bow to Series champs; Braves beat Brewers on error

Associated Press

MIAMI Gary Sheffield was 2-for-2 with a homer and three RBI and Charles Johnson added a three-run homer to help the Marlins over the Cubs, 11-6 in the season-opener at Pro Player Stadium. Livan Hernandez earned the win while Kevin Tapani suffered the loss.

In the offseason the Cubs were a major player and one of their acquisitions paid immediate dividends. Former Expo Henry Rodriguez came to the plate with two on and two outs in the top of the first. The Cubs leftfielder crushed a fastball from Hernandez over the wall in right-centerfield to score Mickey Morandini and Mark Grace to give the Cubs a 3-0 advantage.

The Marlins responded with six of their own in the bottom half of the frame. Leadoff batter Cliff Floyd roped a double to begin the inning. Edgar Renteria was walked and first baseman Ryan Jackson singled to score Floyd and cut the deficit to 3-1. Sheffield was next and he smoked a three-run home run to give the Marlins a 4-3 lead. Rookie Mark Kotsay singled and scored on Craig Counsell's triple. Counsell crossed the plate on Josh Booty's groundout to shortstop to give the Marlins a six-run first inning.

In the top of the third Sammy Sosa and Jeff Blauser singled. With two down, third baseman Kevin Orle smacked a double to plate two runs and cut the lead to 6-5.

Florida responded again with three in its half of the stanza. Sheffield was hit by a pitch and Kotsay followed with his second single of the afternoon. Johnson then delivered his first home run of the season off Tapani and the Chicago hurler was

sent to the showers.

Hernandez (1-0) pitched 5 1/3 innings, giving up five runs on seven hits. The '97 World Series MVP walked four and struck out two. Jesus Sanchez, Antonio Alfonseca, and Jay Powell combined to work the final 3 2/3 innings and preserve the win.

Tapani (0-1) gave up nine runs and seven hits in two innings pitched. He walked one and whiffed one. The righthander also hit a batter. Terry Mulholland, Amaury Telemaco, Ben Van Ryn, Marc Pisciotto, Bob Patterson, and Terry Adams all saw relief duty for the Cubs.

BRAVES 2 BREWERS 1

Catcher Mike Matheny's throwing error in the bottom of the ninth inning scored Gerald Williams from third and gave the Atlanta Braves a season-opening 2-1 victory over the Milwaukee Brewers.

With one out in the ninth, Williams, pinch-hitting for Michael Tucker, walked. Pinch-hitter Keith Lockhart, batting for pitcher Kerry Ligtenberg, drove a single to left-center off loser Bob Wickman (0-1). With runners on the corners and a 3-2 count, Andruw Jones struck out looking, but Matheny tried to pick Williams off third as Lockhart broke for second. Matheny's throw bounced in front of and past Jeff Cirillo, and Williams raced home with the winning run.

Ligtenberg (1-0) got the win, going 1 1/3 innings and surviving four walks. Braves starter Greg Maddux, 19-4 last year, scattered six hits in seven innings, allowing one run, walking three and striking out six.

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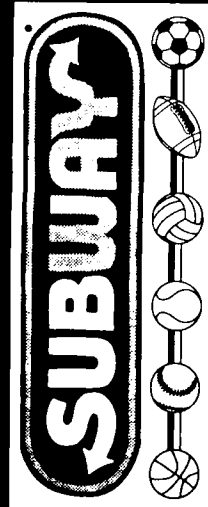
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■ NHL

Lindros nearly ready to return

Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA

Eric Lindros, out since March 7 with a concussion, will return to the Philadelphia Flyers lineup on April 13 against the Buffalo Sabres.

The Flyers captain suffered a concussion after a shoulder check by the Pittsburgh Penguins' Darius Kasparaitis. In neurological testing on March

23, he matched results from a healthy test in September, but team doctors said he still reported dizziness and headaches after solo workouts.

The team didn't immediately say when those symptoms ended.

"After reviewing the seriousness of concussions in the league, I feel that it's best to make sure that Eric has enough time for the concussion to heal properly," Bob Clarke, Flyers

general manager and president, said Tuesday.

Lindros exercised caution because his younger brother, Brett, of the New York Islanders, quit the game after a series of concussions.

News of Lindros' return came a day after New York Rangers center Pat LaFontaine said he would skip the rest of the season with a concussion he suffered March 16.

■ SPORTS BRIEFS

Golf Scramble — Stanford Hall will be sponsoring a nine-hole golf scramble on April 18th for teams of four. Fee is \$32 per group. For more information call Gene at 4-2049.

ND Tai Chi/Kung Fu Club — meets every Sunday at the Rockne Memorial, 10 a.m. to noon in room 219. The club teaches southern Shaolin internal martial arts, which include Tang-style Tai Chi Chuan and "Five families Five Animals" internal Kung Fu. Classes are non-competitive, and all are welcome to attend regardless of prior training. If the above time is inconvenient or if you want more information, please call Teo at 4-3013 or email cteodoro@nd.edu.

Drop-In Volleyball — RecSports will be sponsoring Drop-In Volleyball every Wednesday night for the rest of the semester. Play will be from 8 to 11 p.m. in the Rolfs Sports Recreation Center. Come by yourself or bring a friend. Open to all Notre Dame students, faculty and staff.

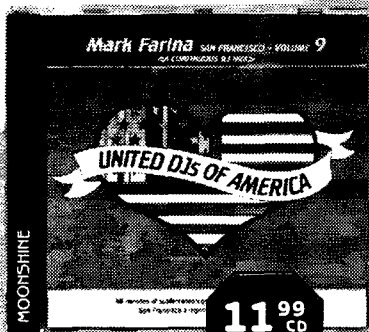
Modern Dance — RecSports will be sponsoring

a Modern Dance class that will meet Sundays from 3 to 4:30 p.m. and Wednesdays from 8 to 9 p.m. in Activity Room 2 of the Rolfs Sports Recreation Center. You must register in advance for the class and sign-ups began March 19 at RecSports. The fee is \$20 and no experience is necessary. Open to all Notre Dame students, faculty and staff.

Bookstore Basketball — Schedules and team packets are available at the LaFortune Information Desk.

Race Judicata — A 10K road race, 5K road race, and a one mile walk will take place Saturday April 4 at 11 a.m. beginning at the Law School. Registration will take place between April 1 and April 3 in the dining halls and at Rolfs Recreation Center or on the race day at the Law School. Proceeds will go to summer fellowships that will fund law students working for public interest groups. Cost is \$10 in advance and \$12 on race day for students. Cost for faculty and staff is \$20 in advance and \$25 on race day.

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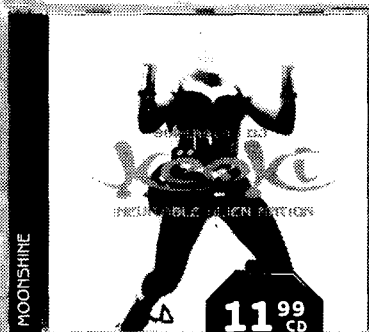
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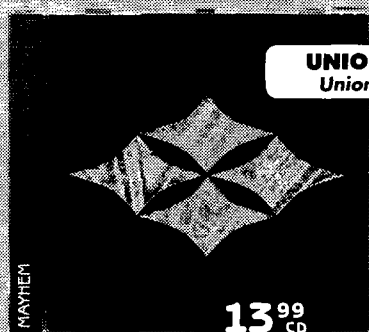
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■ MAJOR LEAGUE BASEBALL

New Phoenix ballpark equipped for 21st century

Associated Press

PHOENIX

Once upon a time, fans wore mitts at baseball games. As the Arizona Diamondbacks opened their new ballpark, some fans planned to wear swimsuits.

But the swimmers who planned to watch the game while cavorting in the pool, heated spa and swim-up bar beyond the right-centered field fence were wise if they adhered to tradition by bringing along baseball gloves.

The pool is just 415 feet from home plate, making it a prime target for sluggers such as Arizona's Matt Williams. Colorado's Larry Walker hit a ball into the water during batting practice Monday, in preparation for Tuesday night's opener against Arizona.

When any Diamondback hits a homer, water cannons alongside the pool will shoot a stream 35 feet into the air.

The aquatic playground, which holds 35 people and costs \$4,000 per game to rent, is just one of many features at the \$354 million Bank One Ballpark that may make traditionalists squirm.

Even though it's the only domed stadium with natural grass — special shade-tolerant DeAnza zoysia sod grown in Palm Desert, Calif. — and

there are 360 seats selling for \$1 apiece on game days, the park looks more like an airport hangar than a traditional baseball stadium.

With the retractable roof open, it has the feel of a warehouse combined with a flea market. Billboards cover nearly every inch of the stadium, and there are two Miller Lite beer gardens and three McDonald's restaurants.

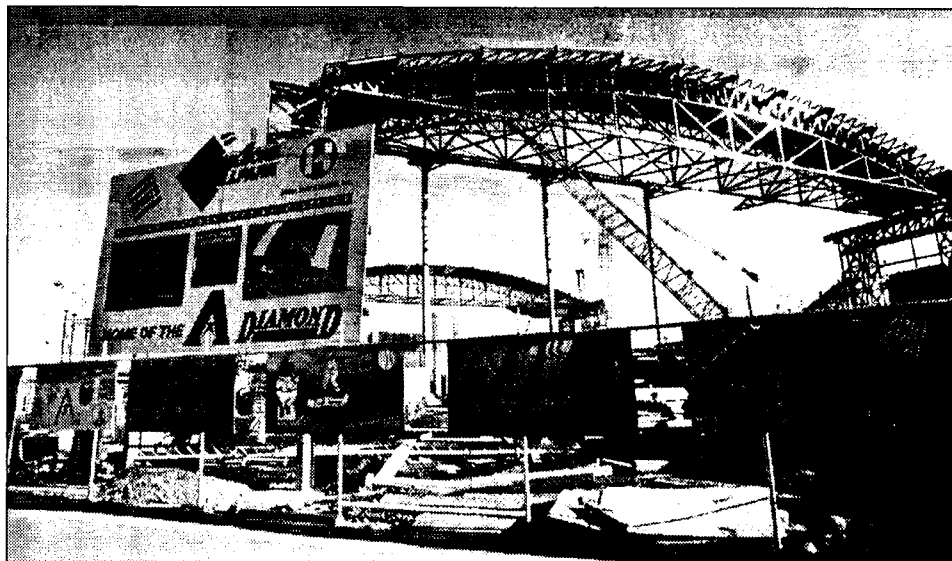
Sponsors have even usurped some ballpark traditions. While fans elsewhere line up "K" signs as their pitchers record strikeouts, that will be shown on the "Circle K Strikeout Meter" sponsored by a local convenience store.

But the 48,500-seat park, known affectionately among Arizonans as BOB, also offers fan-friendly features such as a picnic area seating 600 people and a giant play area for children.

There are nearly a quarter-mile of concession stands, offering everything from \$6 beers to fruit smoothies and specialty popcorn. And there are 340 restrooms for women, compared to only 276 for men.

The players won't be too uncomfortable, either.

The Diamondbacks' 20,000-square-foot locker room has 40 oak-paneled dressing cubicles, each with a built-in vanity mirror and combination safe.



Phoenix's Bank One Ballpark — also known as "BOB" — has a retractable roof and a swimming pool in right field.

The catchers' lockers are bigger, because of all their gear.

The Arizona players have a steam room, three Jacuzzis, a training pool and an exercise and weight room. An adjoining room holds two indoor batting cages.

One feature that traditionalists should love is a dirt path running

between the mound and home plate, a throwback to pre-World War II stadiums.

And there's a double warning track in the outfield, with a row of dirt and then more grass before the fences — a setup Diamondbacks officials say will help players better judge how close they are to the wall.

Golf

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State stood in third with a team score of 613.

Weeks' win marks the first win by an Irish golfer in a major tournament since the fall of 1991 when Chris Dayton won the Indiana Intercollegiate.

"Our goal coming into the tournament was to beat Ball State," stated Weeks. "This tournament was the first one [since the addition of Kent] that we definitely showed our potential, and it helped us in the achieving of our goal."

The win is also important in the team's hopes to gain an invitation to the NCAA tournament. Among District IV teams, only the top six get invited to be a part of the championship. Before last weekend's action the Irish were ranked 14th in the district but look to move up several spots with their win, especially because of their defeat of Ball State which was ranked sixth at the time of the tournament.

Vernon's 75.50 season average currently has him ranked 32nd in the District and opens the possibility to play in the championship as well.

"This is the strongest and best balanced team I have coached in my 10 years here," said Thomas.

The next three weeks will be the deciding factor in determining whether or not the Irish can move up those needed places and be ranked amongst the top six. The Johnny Owens Invitational, Marshall

Butler Invitational Golf Tournament Results

FINAL TEAM STANDINGS (36 holes):

1. Notre Dame 292-292/584
2. Morehead State 306-305/611
3. Ball State 301-312/613
4. Oakland University 307-327/620
5. Robert Morris 308-319/622

TOP INDIVIDUALS (of 90):

1. Bryan Weeks, ND, 72-71/143
2. Willie Kent, ND, 74-73/147
3. Jeff Connell, ND, 71-77/148
- Matt Creech, CSU, 72-76/148
- Dave Harris, OAK, 74-74/148
6. Todd Vernon, ND, 78-71/149

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Invitational, and Ohio State Intercollegiate will all feature many of the top-ranked teams in District IV. Wins or high finishes in all three could have Notre Dame searching their mailbox for their NCAA invitation.

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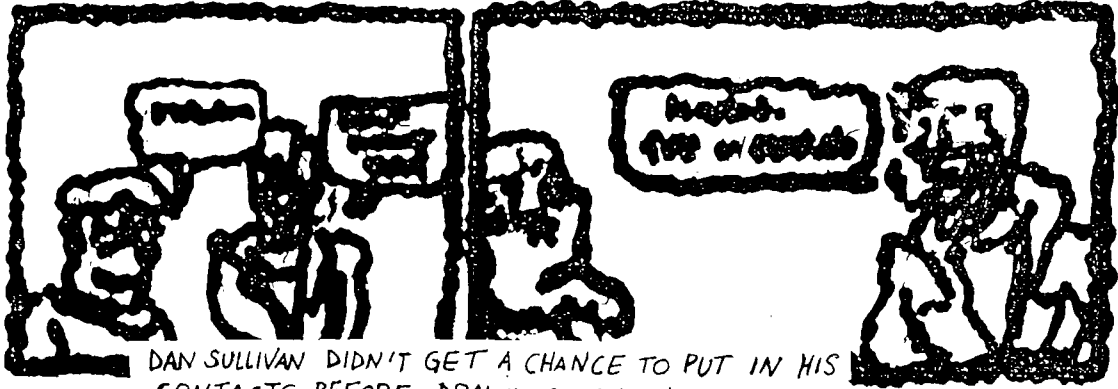


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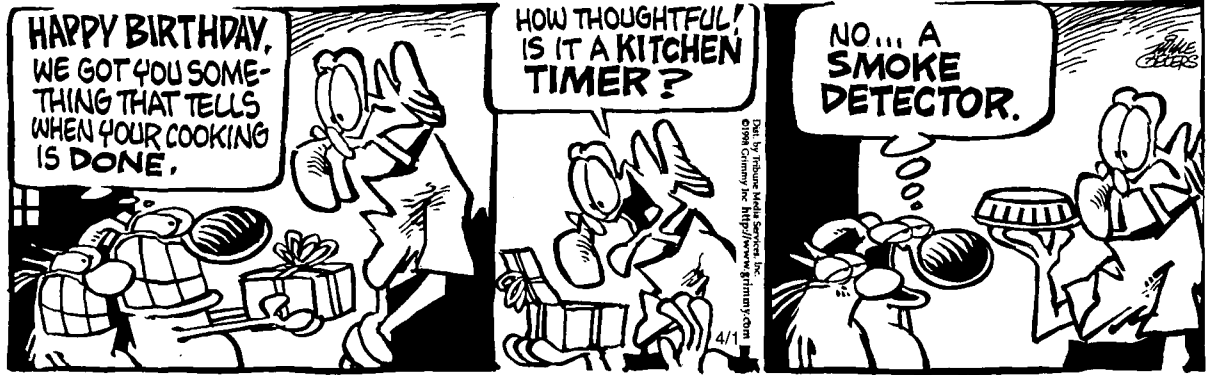
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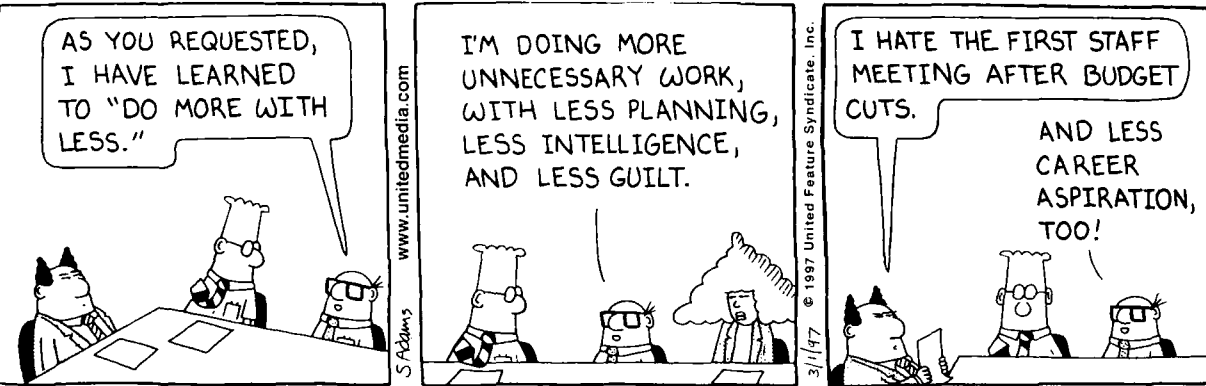
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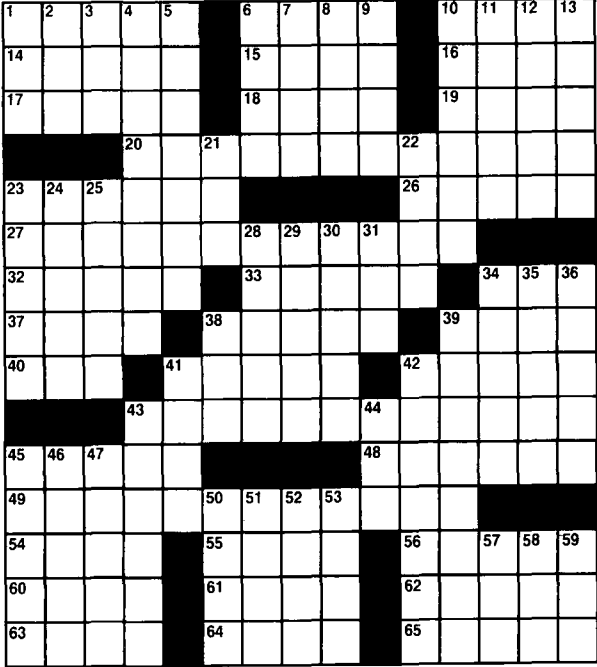
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- 63 Sign gas
- 64 "— Dreams" (1994 documentary film)
- 65 Nairobi's land

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- 5 Excessively sweet
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- 9 Not pro
- 10 Intellectually gifted
- 11 State flower of New Hampshire
- 12 "Darn —!"
- 13 Old hat
- 21 Joey — & the Starliners (60's group)
- 22 Chicago team
- 23 Cavalry sword
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- 25 Eagle's nest
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- 29 Gin's partner



Puzzle by Pauline V. Wilson

- 30 China's Zhou
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- 47 Bucking bronco event
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Gemini: The Gemini Moon has your admirers lining up at the door. If you want to attract positive attention, now is the time to stand up and be recognized. As beautiful as you may be, people love you for your mind today.

Cancer: Your head is much more than a hat rack today. Your brain feels like an overloaded network of supercomputers. To minimize frustration, write your thoughts instead of speaking them.

Leo: You can argue a point from all sides, but you cannot settle on one right answer. Others are likely to seek your services as a negotiator. You are especially adaptable when faced with a flood of new data.

Virgo: You are much better at listening than at speaking. Wait until you have the full story before offering your analysis. Your brain power is guaranteed to amaze and bewilder someone meeting you for

the first time.

Libra: Deep thinking pays off in big ways. If you answer only one question today, it will certainly be the most important. People in relationships discover something new and wonderful about each other.

Scorpio: Your emotions calm down enough to give you a clear view of the dollars and cents involved. Shrug it off if someone suggests that you are an idiot. Name calling will never touch who you really are.

Sagittarius: Your mission is to somehow get a smile out of everyone you meet. Humor is the preferred means of communication. People always remember the really good jokes.

Capricorn: Someone is determined to talk your ear off today. Escape without guilt by mentioning your long list of prior commitments. Clear your mind of unwanted distractions by doing something that matters.

Aquarius: Talk transforms itself into action before you are quite ready to deal with the change. Creativity and flirtation are your preferred media today. Aimless winds could give birth to a sudden tornado.

Pisces: Just because you disagree with someone's conclusion doesn't make her experience useless to you. Everyone has something to teach if you take a moment to listen. All interaction is based on the family model.

OF INTEREST

New York City Teaching Program: Today and tomorrow Sr. Deanna Sabetta will be interviewing students interested in teaching after graduation. The interviewing will take place at the Center for Social Concerns. Those interested should stop by the CSC to sign up for a time.

Assessing the Quality of Democracy: Preliminary Results seminar, hosted by Miguel Gutierrez Saxe and Jorge Vargas Culler, will take place today at 12:30 p.m. in C-103 Hesburgh Center for International Studies.

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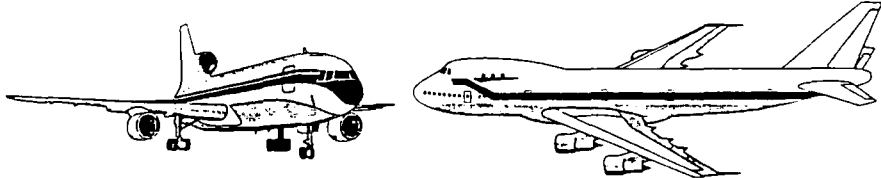
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Irish take second straight Butler Invitational

By GENE BRTALIK
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame men's golf team has quickly become the hottest team this spring. Two weeks ago it finished 5th at the Ocala Intercollegiate, and this past weekend it took first place for the second year in a row at the Butler Invitational.

Not only did the Irish win, they also crushed the competition. The team shot two equal rounds of 292 for a total of 584 for the 36-hole tournament. The team score is the best team effort for the Irish in 20 years and fourth best in team history.

As individuals, the Irish controlled the leader board as well. Of the top six spots, Notre Dame held four of them, with senior captain Bryan Weeks capturing medalist honors with a total score of 143. He was followed by teammates Willie Kent (second place with a 147), Jeff Connell (third place with a 148), and Todd Vernon (sixth place with a 149).

"It was a tough course to play on, especially with the winds," said head coach George Thomas. "To shoot a 584 is a very good score, and would be a good number against any school."

The Irish played on a more than 7,000-yard course, and had to deal with prevailing winds of up to 40 miles per hour. The Irish came out right away on Sunday and began hitting fairways and making the needed

putts. Connell led the team and the tournament on day one with his even par 71. His teammates contributed to his outstanding play with none of the counted scores being lower than 75. The team held a nine-stroke lead over district rival Ball State as day one came to a close.

As the team stood on the first tee Monday, they were poised to continue the success that they had enjoyed in their past three rounds.

Connell still led the tournament as he made the turn on the back nine, but ran into some problems and bogeyed five of the last nine holes. While Connell was having his problems dealing with the winds, Weeks, Kent and Vernon all picked up the slack and shot three of the best scores for the round.

Vernon who shot a 78 on the first day, rebounded and matched Weeks' 71. Weeks round of 71 came with him carding three birdies and three bogeys, including a birdie on the par four 10th hole in which he chipped in a shot from the fairway bunker.

Meanwhile, Kent, a junior transfer from St. Louis, continued to play outstanding golf for Notre Dame, shooting a 73, his fourth straight round of 74 or under. As the final putt dropped into cup on the 18th hole, Notre Dame stood victorious with a 27-shot win over its closest competition Morehead State, and Ball

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Notre Dame Sports Information
Senior captain Bryan Weeks led the field of 90 golfers with rounds of 72 and 71 at the Butler Invitational last weekend. The Irish won the tournament with a 584 team score.

■ FOOTBALL

Dunbar charged

Associated Press

A woman who gave 12 Notre Dame football players gifts was charged in St. Joseph County court on Tuesday with two class C



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felonies for allegedly embezzling more than \$250,000 from her employer. Kimberly Ann Dunbar, 28, who has a child with former Irish free safety Jarvis Edison, gave jewelry, clothing and trips to 12 former and current players from 1993-98, a University investigation found.

She posted a \$1,500 bond on Tuesday after pleading innocent during her initial court hearing. A date has not been set for her next hearing.

St. Joseph County Prosecutor Michael P. Barnes said Dunbar faces two felony theft charges for allegedly embezzling more than \$250,000 from Dominiack Mechanical, a South Bend company where she used to work. He says one count covers 1994-95 and another is for 1996-97.

Barnes said the investigation continues and was unsure if Dunbar would face additional charges, but his probe has found nothing illegal about the gifts she gave to players.

Athletic director Mike Wadsworth informed the NCAA after learning of the gifts Feb. 23. The University's investigation concluded the players violated no NCAA rules when they accepted gifts from Dunbar. Notre Dame submitted a written report to the NCAA, which has not yet made a decision regarding the gifts, spokesman John Heisler said.

"At this point, it is in their hands," he said.

The baseball team's home game against Illinois - Chicago and the softball team's game at Western Michigan were cancelled yesterday because of rain.

■ OPENING DAY

Firsts of the new season

Associated Press

The 1998 Major League Baseball season kicked off at 1:40 p.m. Tuesday when the New York Mets took the field to face the Philadelphia Phillies.

Here is a list of firsts from some of the 10 games played around the country yesterday.

National Anthem — Buster Poindexter, a.k.a. rocker David Johansen of New York Dolls' fame.

Pitch — Strike from the New York Mets' Bobby Jones to Philadelphia's Doug Glanville at 1:45 p.m. EST.

Hit — Philadelphia's Mark Lewis in the second inning, a single to left field off Jones.

Home run — San Diego's Wally Joyner off Cincinnati's David Weathers in the sixth inning.

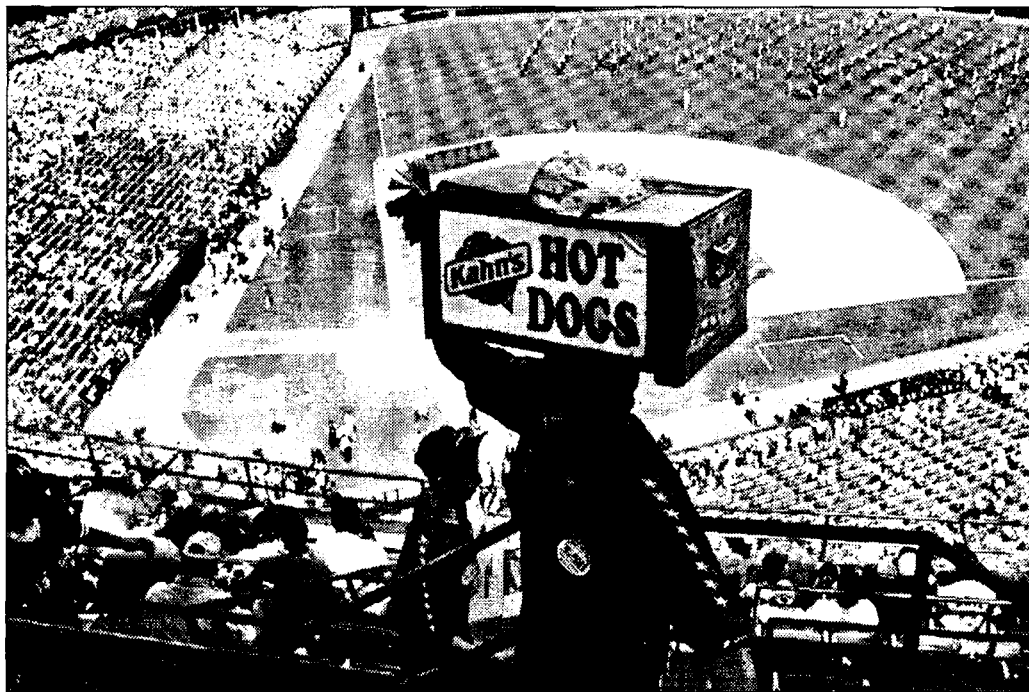
Grand slam — St. Louis' Mark McGwire off Los Angeles' Ramon Martinez.

Run — San Diego's Quilvio Veras scored on an error by Cincinnati shortstop Pokey Reese.

Run batted in — San Diego's Tony Gwynn with an RBI groundout off Cincinnati's Mike Remlinger in the third

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A hot dog vendor climbs the steps of Shea Stadium's upper deck in New York Tuesday. The Mets' Bobby Jones threw the first pitch of the season to the Phillies' Doug Glanville at 1:40 p.m.

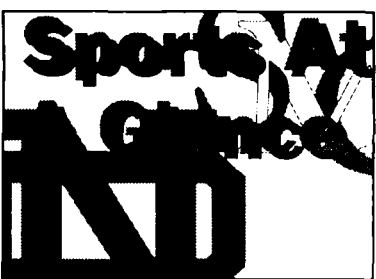
inning.

Double — San Diego's Steve Finley off Remlinger in the third inning.

Out — Glanville grounded to shortstop Rey Ordóñez.

Strikeout — Philadelphia's Curt Schilling struck out New York's Edgardo Alfonzo in the first inning.

Steal — Texas' Tom Goodwin stole second in the first inning.



Western Michigan
Today, 5 p.m.

Valparaiso (DH)
Thursday, 4:30 p.m.

Ohio State
Thursday, 3 p.m.

at Ohio State
Saturday, 1 p.m.



Men's Golf
at Kentucky Intercollegiate
Friday and Saturday

Women's Golf
at Indiana Invitational
Saturday and Sunday

at William and Mary
Saturday, 1 p.m.



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