O’Hara responds to Ad Hoc in open letter

GLND/SMC denied, ‘University group’ established

By GWENDOLYN NORGLE
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Establishing “Notre Dame Gay and Lesbian Students” as a University-sponsored organization, distinct from a recognized “student group,” Vice President Patricia O’Hara responded to the 12 recommendations made by the Ad Hoc Committee on Gay and Lesbian Student Needs in her Open Letter printed in yesterday’s issue of The Observer.

Her response was made irrotation in the same issue’s final report which was the culmination of a process that began on March 6, 1995, when O’Hara wrote an open letter to the University community explaining the rationale behind the decision of Student Affairs to deny official University recognition of Gays and Lesbians under the Student Affairs’ rules and procedures.

Student Affairs denied recognition of GLND/SMC because it found “the group’s discussion in its application materials regarding the range of ways in which gays and lesbians might live their lives was inconsistent with the Church teaching, as were expressions of dissent from Church teaching made by some of GLND/SMC’s leaders in correspondence and correspondence with our office over the years,” she wrote.

In the same letter, O’Hara established Ad Hoc Committee to advise her on how Student Affairs would do a better job of meeting the needs of the University’s gay and lesbian students.

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In yesterday’s open letter, O’Hara prefaced her response by naming the “dual goals” of the Office of Student Affairs: building an inclusive community in which our gay and lesbian students feel proud and “remaining faithful to the teachings of the Catholic Church.”

By placing Notre Dame Gay and Lesbian Students under the direct sponsorship of the University, O’Hara classified the group as a University group.

In doing so, she distinguished it from a student club or organization, whose purpose, in order to be recognized, must be “consistent with the mission of the University and the moral teachings of the Catholic Church,” according to her open letter released in March 1995.

O’Hara accompanied an explanation with each of her acceptances of the committee’s 12 recommendations. And in responding to Recommendation 5, O’Hara listed the characteristics of the new University group:

• the group is facilitated by one or two members of the faculty or administration
• the group stands in special relationship to the Office of Student Affairs
• the group shall assist gay

Senior Comprehensive distinguishes SMC grads

By LAURA SMITH
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Many things set Saint Mary’s College graduates apart from graduates of other colleges. The most distinctive distinction of Saint Mary’s graduates is that each one has successfully completed a Senior Comprehensive within her major discipline.

The Senior Comprehensive requirement varies from one discipline to another. But often it consists of a test, a study, or a paper and presentation, all Senior Comprehensives are hard work, rewarding, according to students and faculty members.

According to Fred Kroener, director of the English Department at Saint Mary’s, the Senior Comprehensive in most majors consists of an exam which the Comprehensive was first instituted. But now, the exam is the exception, rather than the rule.

“In the English Department, we found that the exam was not very effective,” said Billy. “Students were cramming and there was very little lasting value.”

Now, English majors take a Senior Seminar course. English Literature majors develop a reading list and one student teaches a book on the list. English Writing majors work all semester on an extended piece of writing, a series of short stories or poems, a play, or a novel.

“This system is much more effective,” said Billy. “The Comprehensive really causes students to display their full capabilities. The semester-long experience is well-rounded and multidisciplinary.”

While most majors have changed their Senior Comprehensive, some still consist of exams. The Business department’s Senior Comprehensive consists of a two-part, five hour exam. Part one tests general business knowledge. Part two covers the student’s specific concentration.

“The test is very stressful,” said Kelly Kilmer, a senior marketing major. “You have to pass both parts or you have to repeat the parts until you pass. We took the exam the first week of School this semester, so I spent my Christmas break studying.”

In spite of the stress, Kilmer believes her Senior Comprehensive was valuable. “I learned a lot. I’m glad I had to do it. Everything I’ve learned in four years culminates in the Comprehensive.”

Nursing majors also take an exam for their Senior Comprehensive. The 375 question exam is a simulated Nursing Board exam. Senior Karen Cook took the exam last weekend. “It’s very stressful taking my Senior Comprehensive so close to exam time. But I didn’t think graduation would depend on this one test. I would
Baseball: A family tradition

There's probably no need for this column heralding the start of the baseball season, but for me it means more than the thrill of the grass and the annual discussions about the Cubs' pitching staff (twist 'til next year). Baseball season is a special time for me and one of the most important people in my life, my dad.

My father knows a lot about sports. Try playing sports Trivial Pursuit with him - one man and one you don't get your turn back. But baseball has always been special.

Don't get me wrong, my father and I don't have the perfect relationship. He would say, 'I don't know what I can do except drive, and he hopes I don't date before I'm forty-too, I'm on my way.'

But my dad felt it was important enough to share baseball, one of his great loves, with me. Baseball, where we really connect, and I feel blessed that we have this link.

There are reasons a baseball cliche can keep score as well as any one. During the season, he quizzes me on batting leaders and random trivia. We have的主题es and obscure players. We chide about the Big Cat, the Big Hurt and of course, ‘Big智慧城市’ love. Mike McClendon because he hit a pinch-hit home run in his first Cubs as-but-in 1989, and we remember the Fireman Hafner was the ace of the Giants’ staff.

I know a seasonable baseball cliche, except for the ones Keith Olbermann makes up as he goes along. Why he boring and say homer, when he doubles, steal base, dایl, dایl, eight, a four-ply sweat, or get currant clot, to name a few. When a guy hits a shot, its "free zone." Pitchers have "good gas," "yakkers," and when they're going for a "K," they throw "high cheese." Mike Piazza is a steady backstop, Kenny Lofton has a good hose, and Matt Williams is a mammoth.

Sometimes we were lucky and it was warm at Candlestick, but more often than not we found ourselves in the middle of the season. But we never left. You never leave a ball-game early. You never know what might happen.

I'm not going to draw some cheesy parallels and say that through teaching me about baseball, one of his great loves, with me. Baseball, where we really connect, and I feel blessed that we have this link.

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World at a Glance

Freemem religious beliefs may raise risk of violent end

The Freemens' religious beliefs, which go beyond more than their anti-government political views, may frustrate federal efforts to get them to leave their barricaded ranch.

The Freemens' rejection of government, and its monetary system ultimately led to the charges on which two of their leaders were arrested March 25, leading to the standoff at the group's 460-acre ranch.

Among other things, the two were charged with bad check schemes, and conspiring to kidnap and murder a federal agent involved in the foreclosure against the ranch.

But after a week of being confined to the snow-covered ranch, watched by federal agents who have a direct telephone line to the ranch compound, the Freemens have been showing signs of leaning heavily on the racist Christian identity teachings that form the basis of their politics.

"It's very frightening," said Eric Ward, associate director of the Northwest Coalition Against Malicious Harassment. The Seattle-based human rights group is well-known in the region for keeping track of neo-Nazis, white supremacists and other fringe groups.

Clinttwn throws last one

Pat Buchanan and more than a few fast-bow birds were in the stands Tuesday as President Clinton threw a soft-pitch to open Baltimore Orioles' 1996 baseball season a day late. Clinton, wearing khakis, an orange-and-black (O's) cap and matching cap, took the mound at Camden Yards after being up to a roughly even number of boos and cheers. The boos resounded louder. Smiling, the president tossed a harmless, high lob to catcher Chris Hoiles and, still smiling, strode from the mound to greet Peter Angelos, the Orioles' general manager, and Maryland Gov. Parris Glendening. The governor also was honored. Presidential spokesman Mike McCurry chatted up the long-standing tradition at Camden Yards, downtown Baltimore's 3-year-old ballpark. About the only person to receive universal cheers prior to the game with Kansas City was Orioles star Cal Ripken.

Report: Teen pregnancy on rise in 80's

A new study confirms previous findings that teen-age pregnancy and abortion rates rose markedly in the 1980's. Later statistics from 40 states suggest that those rates declined slightly during the early 1990's, but figures through 1990 are the only definitive national data. The pregnancy rate among the under-15 group was 6.3 pregnancies per thousand girls in 1980, rising slightly to 6.9 by 1985 and to 7.1 by 1990, the federal report said. "In the '80's, there continued to be more than 100,000 teenagers who became pregnant each year," Spitz said.

European Pepsi cans get new look

Next to those bright red cans, Pepsi just wasn't getting the attention it wanted. The company is introducing a vivid blue can in Europe and other parts of the world that scraps the familiar red, white and blue logo. Instead, Pepsi will add a color the company thinks will attract more cola-swilling teen-agers. Pepsi, perhaps preparing for another promotional blitz, pointedly did not release any plans for the can in the United States or Canada. But the company did say it would eventually use "good color." Pepsi's director of marketing, said. "It's not a color that has singled them out and that white people from northern Europe

The AccuWeather forecast for noon, Wednesday, April 3.
Blandford: O'Hara gives inadequate solutions

By JAMIE HEISLER
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The decade-long struggle for University recognition of GLND/SMC was prolonged yes-
terday when Professor Patricia O'Hara, vice president for stu-
dent affairs, issued a response rejecting GLND/SMC's request to be formally constituted as the University group contemplated in Recommendation 5 of the Ad Hoc Committee's Final Report.

Citing the report, O'Hara calls for a new University group to be established which follows the guidelines suggested by the ad hoc committee. While the provisions of the new group follow the outline of the ad hoc report, the intent of the committee is completely overlooked, according to John Blandford, president of GLND/SMC.

"I found the letter to be exceedingly cynical in its response to the spirit of the ad hoc report. At best the response stuck to the letter of the report but even at that, the point and what the committee intended were completely ignored," said Blandford.

In addition, the University group which O'Hara calls for is in place of a student group in inadequately meeting the needs of the gay and lesbian population of the Notre Dame campus, according to Blandford.

"Not only does this [new group] not incorporate all of the necessary components of a student group, it's also inadequate as a support group," he said. "We established which support group you can trust without even allowing those people the choice of an advisor?"

The selection of an advisor by Student Affairs, with limited input by gay and lesbian students, was one of the restrictions placed on the new University group by O'Hara in her letter of response. This clause is one which has drawn much reaction from members of the gay and lesbian community who have noted that the restriction not only denies the group self-determination but also requires students to "out" themselves to Student Affairs if they wish to have any input in the selection of an advisor.

A student group such as GLND/SMC, Blandford argues, would offer more to gay and lesbian students than the support available in the University...

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Ad Hoc Committee

Ad Hoc holds mixed reactions

By HEATHER COCKS
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One month ago, the Ad Hoc Committee on Gay and Lesbian Student Needs submitted their report to Vice-President of Student Affairs Patricia O'Hara, marking the culmination of a year of careful deliberation and discussion.

O'Hara's response doesn't allow gay and lesbian students as suspects, persons to be watched at every turn and never trusted.

- John Blandford

"The response treats gay and lesbian students as suspects," said O'Hara in her letter of response. "Her response to Recommendation 5, however, I find problematic."

The focus of most member dissent, Recommendation 5 calls for the creation of a group affiliated with the University, and including "one or two members of the faculty or administration." O'Hara accepted the recommendation on several conditions, one of which was the group, to be called Notre Dame Gay and Lesbian Students, would elect no officers or leaders, nor would they sponsor any events beyond their regular group meetings.

"This group's primary emphasis should be to educate," stated Silva. "As I interpret it, the group can't bring in anything as far as lecturers or films...basically, all it feels like they can do is sit in a room together periodically and drink Diet Coke."

Graduate student and committee member Sharon Miller voiced her disappointment in what she deemed a "narrow" interpretation of the recommendation. This was her opportunity to reach out to gay and lesbian students, respecting them as adults on this campus.

"There is not enough opportunity to reach out to gay and lesbian students, respecting them as adults on this campus," said O'Hara in her letter of response.

"They are to be treated like they are adults on campus."

According to Ann Firth, assistant to the vice-president of Student Affairs, her fellow committee members should instead feel optimistic about O'Hara's letter. "O'Hara has laid out something that is very workable," she said, adding that she was pleased with it in its entirety.

In her letter, O'Hara appointed Firth to the Student Affairs Committee. The job entailed frequent contact with the appointed faculty advisers, as well as acting as the liaison on the ad hoc committee. O'Hara termed the "ongoing review and evaluation of the group as the process unfolds."

Firth expressed her willingness to remain close to the situation...

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Student Governing Bodies

Campus leaders split in opinion of response

Patrick sees restrictions as denial of rights

By JAMIE HEISLER
Associate News Editor

Reaction from members of the Campus Life Council has been mixed concerning the denial of recognition of GLND/SMC as stated in V i c e President S t u d e n t A f f a i r s P a t r i c i a O'Hara's rejection of the Final Report of the Ad Hoc Committee on Gay and Lesbian Student Needs.

A recent letter, submitted by the CLC, requested that GLND/SMC be recognized as the University group to be constituted as outlined in Recommendation 5 of the ad hoc report. In her response, O'Hara stated that GLND/SMC would not be the group constituted.

Jonathan Patrick, as the 1995-96 student body presi-
dent, was in charge of conducting the CLC meetings throughout the past year and served on the ad hoc committee appointed by O'Hara, as well.

"The response was a major disappointment," he said. "Every single representative body on campus as well as the ad hoc committee gave her a more thoughtful decision and compromised position. I hope Professor O'Hara is thinking about how this will affect the gay and lesbian students on campus. This has the potential to divide the community and deny them basic human rights."

Ava Preacher, assistant dean of the Arts and Letters Depart-
ment and member of the CLC, was similarly disappointed with O'Hara's rejection of GLND/SMC as the University group.

"The response doesn't allow any self-determination," she said. "The administration is basically saying 'We'll tell you where to meet, when to meet and how to meet. I have a little bit of control over a totally controlled atmosphere.'"

While current Student Body President Meghan Conley was not available for interview, he said in a written statement, "We applaud the work of the ad hoc committee, and we are grateful that the recommendations have been acted upon in a fair and...
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which has turned their situation around," Ilves said. "The lesson from Estonia is that good policies, even if they are unpopular, will be effective in improving a society," he added.

The tension between the two countries, according to Ilves, is a result of these improvements, because "it is threatening to Russia to see that they are following a course of political reform which is not working."

With increasing tension and threats of re-occupation from Russia, security is a prime concern for Estonia, Ilves said. One possible path to security may come if NATO expands into the Baltic states. This possibility, however, seems unlikely due to Russia's violent opposition to it and its threats of occupying any of the Baltic states included in the expansion, he said.

Another alternative is Estonia's inclusion in expansion by the European Union. If Estonia were to participate in this expansion, though, it would have to accept some of the European Union's policies and regulations which it does not agree with. According to Ilves, though, this compromise will be "the lesser of two evils and is better than putting ourselves at risk to Russian threat."

Currently, the Estonian government is involved with organizing and participating in peacekeeping organizations and other security structures, according to Ilves. However, the political future for Estonia relies on the help from internationally powerful organizations such as NATO and the European Union in order to remain independent, he said.

"We in Estonia, while enjoying our economic success and the fact that we are moving toward a middle-class existence in Europe, are still very concerned with and nervous about what may happen with Russia," Ilves said.

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by saying, "I am excited to be a part of what comes next. In being true to my job I believe I can be true to the intentions of the Ad Hoc report."

Silva noted with concern the heavy responsibility placed on the shoulders of the faculty advisors. "No one with classes to teach and papers to grade could possibly attend each and every meeting. In addition to the numerous consultations with Ann Firth that will be required," he said.

Added Miller, "I despair at the thought of designating only two people for the job."

In the March 1 edition of The Observer, GLND/SMC co-chair John Blandford was quoted as saying that "in the [Ad Hoc Committee] letter, there are plenty of loopholes to be found." Silva and Miller were in concurrence with the idea that in some areas, the wording may have led to an interpretation inconsistent with the committee's intentions. Such a problem could be found in their attempt to differentiate their proposed group from the previously rejected, entirely student-run GLND/SMC. Silva noted, "If there were any loopholes, it seems they were found and turned into restrictions. Student Affairs ends up with almost total control."

He added that, although Notre Dame Gay and Lesbian Students will be sponsored by the University, the members themselves should be permitted a greater level of participation. "The group can't run itself without student officers or organization," he said. "We've really lost all control over group activity, which I think will be ultimately less beneficial to the students."

"No events and no officers. I really feel that this is all over," lamented Miller. Firth disagreed. "I hope people will give it a chance. That's all anyone can ask, really."

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ment of GLND/SMC's "collective participation" as an organization in the University group. O'Hara denied GLND/SMC's request and repeated that Notre Dame Gay and Lesbian Students will be University-sponsored and "different in significant ways" from a student organization.

In the conclusion of her open letter, O'Hara declared, "Like the committee, I think that the dialogue surrounding these issues has moved the University beyond where we were as a community a year ago."

Director of Notre Dame Public Relations Dennis Moore commented on the "length, detail and care" O'Hara included in her letter, saying that she "wants the statement to speak for her." When asked if the University has ever had in its history an organization like O'Hara's article, he responded, "I believe that it is the first of its kind."

Moore also provided a written response prepared by O'Hara, who was unable to be reached for comment:

"Although not everyone in the campus community may agree with all that I have written, I believe that the recommendations that I have accepted provide a foundation upon which we can build."

"I look forward to moving ahead and directing our own collective energies on the task of implementing the recommendations," he said.

University President Father Edward Malloy and Executive Vice President Father William Beauchamp were out of town and unable to be reached for comment. Counselor to the President and Director of Campus Ministry Father Richard Warner was also unavailable for comment.

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AT&T breakup teaches corporate lesson

By SARAH CORKREAN
News Writer

The evolution of corporate businesses will continue to astound the business world in near future, according to Ron Huseman, who spoke Tuesday at the Saint Mary's Management Club.

A current branch manager at Lucent Technologies, a spin-off company of the former AT&T Corporation, Huseman, an employee at AT&T for 30 years, spoke to an audience of Saint Mary's business majors concerning the biggest corporate breakup of AT&T in history.

Covering the history of AT&T, beginning in 1876, Huseman discussed the corporation's practice of a complete government regulated monopoly in the telephone industry.

In 1978, the Carter Administration passed a communication bill deregulating monopolies in an attempt to foster competition in the business world.

"The Carter deregulation," said Huseman, "was the beginning of the spin-offs and mergers in the corporate world whose small company spin-offs we are familiar with today."

AT&T's breakup produced "seven sister" privately owned companies throughout the U.S. that specialize in serving different parts of the country's telephone services.

What is left of AT&T today specializes in various departments ranging from manufacturing communication software to cellular services, according to Huseman.

"Listening directly to an experienced professional in the business sector who has witnessed a large corporate breakup is the best teacher for students," said Kristen Burszczewski, a junior business major.

"A perfect example of the continuing evolution in today's world is just this week two spin-off "sister companies" of AT&T announced a $10 billion merger," said Huseman. "Just phone competition in the business world for large corporations like AT&T."

GSU honors Bruinwell, Murphy

By MATTHEW LOUGHRAN
News Writer

The Graduate Student Council honored two students, established new committee chairpersons and passed a new budget in its first meeting under a new administration last night.

The awards for Outstanding Teaching by Graduate Students were given to Gordon Bruinwell, a teaching assistant in biology, and Catherine Murphy, an independent instructor in theology.

The awards are given annually to two graduate student-teachers who give outstanding teaching performance.

The GSC also appointed new committee chairpersons. Ed Wingerbeh was nominated to take over the Travel Grant committee. Beth Caniglis, the outgoing Vice President, was appointed chair of the Intellectual Life Committee. Estelle McNair was appointed to Women's Resource, Suzanne Goshaw to Quality of Life and Daniel Montiel to the Orientation Committee.

The final item was the new administration's budget. After long debate, the council finally approved a preliminary budget on a vote of seven to six.

The primary points of controversy involved the distribution of funds to the Travel Grant and Intellectual Life Committees. While these items were not entirely resolved, the council fashioned a "working" budget which they plan to update at subsequent meetings.

Panel debates local, national welfare

By LESLIE FIELD
News Writer

Local and national welfare issues were under debate Monday night in a panel discussion that took place in the Center for Social Concerns.

Rob Ercoline, of Little Flower Catholic Church, Felicia Leon of the South Bend Center for the Homeless and Wayne Goodling, Assistant Director of St. Joe County's Division of Family and Human Services spoke with a group of students from the Washington D.C. Welfare Seminar. The students extensively studied the topic, "Welfare: Public or Private Responsibility."

Each panelist addressed students' questions on local and national welfare programs. All on the panel felt that more needed to be done to improve the system.

It was agreed that reforms are not easy, as can be seen through the Welfare Reform Bill, HR4, under debate in Congress now. With the bill, funding would be turned over to the states in the form of block grants. While Leon agrees with state-funded welfare, Ercoline felt that a balance between the federal and local governments was necessary.

"Local communities are where answers are found, however we must have some national visions," said Ercoline.

The efforts made by these groups and individuals show the enormous need for assistance and reform in many areas, panelists concluded.

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encouraged by Professor O'Hara's acceptance of the recommendations made in the report. We have been and continue to be advocates about the future of the gay and lesbian community at Notre Dame.

"Although we are somewhat concerned about the actual mechanics of such a group, we are confident the new group outlined by Professor O'Hara will be successful through the mutual cooperation of Student Affairs and members of our Notre Dame Gay and Lesbian community," Miller continued. "Although there are some difficult times of transition ahead, Student Government is optimistic about the future of the gay and lesbian community at Notre Dame."
Oppression characterizes agonizing service project

Upon graduation I decided to spend a year in a job where I could give back to my community before going to graduate school. In my idealism, I perceived it as an eighties version of a “Peace-Corp” type of service. I was now supposed to help the naive over the hellish experiences that awaited me. Although I learned much about people and culture, I experienced tremendous reward from caring for children. I grew to love deeply, and I also saw that if given the chance again, foreknowledge of the consequences would prevent me from becoming as deeply involved.

The “orphange,” or children’s home, cared for about fifty children. As many had been abused or neglected by their parents. I worked with twenty boys, ages thirteen to seventeen, in a small building. Sister Rosella, an older Irish nun, worked as my partner and she had a reputation for being quite intimidating. In my interview, the Director even told me that she “liked to do things her own way.” Without question, I soon saw that disillusions blowing as I blithely walked into it. The nunemphatically filled me with the daily things I could do to fight the daily oppression, which was the absence of redemption. To the children, I was told that my presence added the foundation of hope.

When I realized this, I understood what King meant when he proclaimed his openness to the question of what made my life so difficult and the things moments needed later. Rosella supervised the houseparents, so her authority overwhelmed mine. I soon learned that they felt more intimidated by her than I did. I continued reporting the severe incidents, and they began sharing with me their frustration about Rosella. The Director even told me that sometimes she wondered if the children might not be better off in their own homes. Her kids had grown up in coldness, aloofness, confusion, and most of them liked to stay that way. She was in a military institution, but later more to a concentration camp. Besides living under constant fear of punishment, diabolical mentality, the children per­formed all housework. Though a belief in hard work, often I felt sad watching children work from 5 to 6:30 AM. The vacuum cleaner virtually always muted the child. Rosella balked com­mades and screamed until she per­ceived the chores as perfectly completed (not even). She learned that these three-year olds just physically couldn’t make a bed, and this led to their daily frustration. The second was, the year painstakingly ticked away, I re­alized I faced a very foreign mentality.

Behind this mentality did lie an explanation. Rosella had been orphaned at five and raised in an orphanage. She shared with me how physically abuse had been commonplace. I realized this had been the only family life she had known, and she merely attempted to recreate that world. Yet the reader thinks he and she shared a related sequence, on the contrary, we had a very friendly one. I learned from King’s book that heroes do it again. As he shared his griefs and chatted for a long time. Part of what made my life so difficult grew out of the needlessness of the way I was treated and the excellence I displayed after the children left for school. I also felt a great amount of compassion for the large early life she had lived.

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**The Easter Egg**

By LESLIE FIELD
Saint Mary's Accent Editor

Nestled in the green grass of Eau Claire, delicious chocolates. They run from miniatures to purple peeps, sneaking them into Easter Sunday. They swap hiding places once Brunch. In the dryer. Under the ceiling fan. They just hope that the Easter bunny who thinks that the Easter Bunny would give Jenny Craig a coriander clearly the choice for the more Easter enthusiast.

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**Egg dyeing: a real chore**

By STEPHANIE THOMAS and JULIANA VODICKA
Easter Correspondents

ike all college students the week before Easter, where were we? Meijer, shopping for the perfect Easter egg coloring kit. Bombarded with the arduous task of choosing the right kit, we decided to start with the good 'ole American stand-by, "PAAS." We were amazed at how much egg technology had changed over the years. Good-bye little pellets of color; hello pre-packaged plastic dye containers. Just add water! Picking up that magic clear crayon, we dove into memories of earlier years when PAAS was the only way to decorate eggs. With bright colors, we finished the task happily and energetically. Moving on, we regained consciousness and began "Sparkle Magic." First, we had to dye the eggs, then we dipped them in sticky solution and finally transferred them to the 'glitter bag.' After seconds of shaking the egg in the bag, both mass quantities of colorful sparks going, our final products turned pysched to move on to our next. Fortunately for us, we succumbed to the annoyance egg decorating system, mechanism can scarcely be done. As egg engineers, we placed an egg with watercolors while trying to find the next kit we proceeded to a new kit. Advice? Don't take the lab experience of the college biology half of our clothes though. By the time and even the glitter could not cover me. Covered in dye, frustrated, and with the unanimous decision that PAAS eggs. It's simple, fun, and easy in your Easter basket.

So here's the Easter egg decorating supply goes smoothly and starts your...
The Easter Bunny syndrome

BY CATHERINE DEELEY
Assistant Accent Editor

Chocolate soaked even the sweetest tooth. Jell-Os gathered in enough widely varying flavors to give a dentist nightmares. There was marshmallow and caramel and every conceivable shade of pastel. Waiting patiently for childhood consumption every Easter morning. I can envision it now...the race down the stairs, the satisfaction in claiming the "supreme" candy quarry and cruelly advertising it to my sister, deliberately oblivious to the fact that the two baskets perched on the kitchen table were absolutely identical. It was Easter, and it was almost perfect.

But only almost, because each picturesques Easter basket was sorely lacking my ultimate requirement: something cute, cuddly, and living.

I was by no means the only child to hopefully request a rabbit every Easter; the vast majority of you Domers might very well relate. I remain convinced, however, that I was the most die hard.

Carefully, I would research the price, location, and specifics of my desired long-eared gift, weeks before the holiday arrived. I read loudly and strategically from "Peter Rabbit" and chanted showily to my own stuffed replicas, with shuddering sighs supposedly directed at them, but always, "coincidentally," within earshot of my parents: "Oh, I wish you were a REAL bunny."

They never listened to me. And yet, I refused to give up the fight. Every Cadbury egg commercial featuring the hopelessly adorable rabbit—the one which inspired my sister's confused conviction for years that rabbits really did cluck like chickens—only added more flame to my fire. Chocolate and brightly colored eggs were more fleeting indulgences; bunnies were, fortunately, forever.

That we had, at that time, two perfectly respectable cats was irrelevant to me. Of course, they were endeavoring and amusing—a part of the family—but they couldт make the Easter vacancy left by being rabbit-less. I wanted something soft and sumptuous, white, and intriguingly ever-twitching nose...and I wanted it for Easter.

My parents turned deaf ears to my potent continual choruses of "Why can't I have one?" "Because," was their perennial, momentarily parent-like retort. Determined to win my war. I resorted to making up stories (though the impulse never did die—hence, I began telling everyone that I had a "brand new rabbit"—who lived, I added rather ingenuously, "in my closet..."

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Easter basket.

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MIAMI

Dennis Rodman had 13 rebounds, 10 assists and no head-butts in a generally well-behaved return from a six-game suspension as the Chicago Bulls beat the Miami Heat 110-92.

Michael Jordan and Scottie Pippen each scored 29 points, the Bulls, who averaged a shocking 113-104 loss at Miami Arena in February, had no heat dressed just eight players.

The NBA released a preview of the first round of the playoffs this month. The teams meet again in Chicago this Wednesday.

Rodman, suspended for headbutting a referee March 16, returned sporting a new red hair.

He was held out of the lineup for the last six games in Jackson and entered the game to cheers and jeers with 4:02 on the clock of the second period.

Rodman piled up his first five points, the Bulls pushed to a 106-88 lead with 7:45 left to go in the game, and a fourth-quarter finish.

The Bulls won for the 15th time in their past 16 games, the Chicago Bulls team to win 70 games in a regular season.

Alonzo Mourning had 24 points on 10-for-15 shooting but for the Heat, who are battling Charlotte for the final playoff spot in the Eastern Conference.

Jordan hit his final four shots of the night and helped to lead Chicago to a 52-42 halftime lead. The Heat scored a season-low 31 points in the second half and scored one more point than the third-, fourth-, and fifth-highest.

Rodman declined to talk with reporters before the game. As he said, "Nothing to report besides headaches, a television crew from 'Dateline NBC' video-taped him for 20 minutes.

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Cone flirts with no-hitter, lifts Yankees to win

By CHUCK MELVIN
Associated Press

CLEVELAND
David Cone never really felt he was flirting with a no-hitter.
"I was flitting with disaster," Cone said Tuesday after he limited Cleveland to two hits in seven scoreless innings as the New York Yankees beat the defending American League champions.

Cone held the Indians without a hit until Julio Franco led off the sixth with a double, but he fought with his control all afternoon. He walked three and worked out of trouble repeatedly from behind in the count against the team that led the majors in runs, home runs and batting average a year ago.

"This is not a formula I want to use too often," said Cone, who was unscored on to hold an 8-lead against Cleveland last June when he was with Toronto.
"This lineup really puts stress on a pitcher. I was a little wild, but no matter what I did, I didn't want to give in and put one down the middle."

Julio's a good hitter. That hit broke up the no-hitter, but that was not the most fashionable no-hitter to that point, with all those walks and everything."

Derek Jeter and Bernie Williams homered for the Yankees, winners of five straight season openers and 10 of their last 11. The game was delayed one day by snow.

The Indians finished with four hits. It was their second straight week shoving in games that counted. They were held to one hit by Atlanta's Tom Glavine in the decisive Game 6 of the World Series last season.

"I don't think Cone struggled," Oma Vizquel said. "He was being smart and careful. He'd get to 2-0, 3-1, and you'd wait for the fastball, and he might throw a slider to keep you off balance. I think you're going to see that a lot against us. Pitchers know with our lineup, we can get four or five runs right away."

Jeter, playing in his 16th big league game, hit his first career home run and also saved a run with an over-the-shoulder catch of Vizquel's pop fly behind shorstop in the seventh.

Dennis Martinez took the loss in his ninth consecutive opening day start — six with Montreal, three with Cleveland. He allowed two runs and five hits in seven innings.

Cone's performance for a time mirrored what Seattle's Randy Johnson did to the Indians in the first game ever at Jacobs Field, two years ago. Johnson took a no-hitter into the eighth inning of that game before Sandy Alomar broke it up. Cleveland eventually won in extra innings.

Orioles 4 Royals 2

President Clinton and Mike Mussina took care of the pitching, and Cal Ripken did the majority of the hitting as the Baltimore Orioles opened the season by beating the Kansas City Royals 4-2 Tuesday.

Ripken drove in three runs, and Mussina allowed two runs and five hits over seven innings in beating Kevin Appier 4-2.

Appier, who pitched 2-3 no-hit innings against the Orioles on opening day last season, gave up a double to the second batter he faced, Roberto Alomar. Rafael Palmeiro then walked before Ripken bloopered a two-out, two-run single that dropped in front of center fielder Johnny Damon.

A double-play grounder got Kansas City a run in the second, ending a string of 46 consecutive scoreless innings by Baltimore pitchers, including 27 by Mussina.

The Royals pulled even in the third when Mike MacFarlane doubled and scored on a groundout 1-3 rip Roling. A double by Kyle Bonilla and a two-out single by Ripken put the Orioles ahead in the bottom of the inning.

Appier threw 107 pitches in five innings, allowing three runs and six hits. He walked one and struck out seven.

Reds 4 Expo 1

Chris Sabo had three RBIs in his Riverfront Stadium homecoming, leading the Cincinnati Reds to a 4-1 victory Tuesday over the Montreal Expos in a game postponed a day by the death of umpire John McSherry.

The flag was at half-staff, and the umpiring crew got a standing ovation when it came onto the field.

Several banners honored McSherry, who collapsed in the first inning Monday and died at a hospital.

The crowd was about half the size of Monday's 53,136 for the makeup, played on what was supposed to be an off-day. Players were still grieving when they took the field for batting practice.

Fans went easy on the umpiring crew, which included Rich Lumish as McSherry's replacement. Several times the crowd started to boo calls, then hushed.

Winner Pete Schourek, who threw seven pitches in Monday's opener before McSherry collapsed, started the makeup and gave up one run over five innings. Tim Pugh allowed one hit over three innings, and Marcus Moore pitched the ninth for his first major-league save.

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**College Basketball**

**By MIKE EMBRY**

**Associated Press**

NEW YORK

Rick Pitino stepped into a difficult situation when he became Kentucky's basketball coach in 1989.

The NCAA had just placed the school on a two-year probation for post-season play for recruiting and academic violations. Kentucky had finished the 1988-89 season with a 13-19 record, the first losing season in the school's storied history since 1927.

If the future was bleak, he also had no way to go but up.

Pitino inherited only eight scholarship players and none taller than 6-foot-7. And blue-chip high school players weren't exactly knocking down the door to play for the Wildcats, as they had in the years leading to the probation.

Seven years later, Pitino returned Kentucky to the top of college basketball when it defeated Syracuse 76-67 for the national title in 1998.


Kentucky didn't win another championship until beating Duke in 1998.

Pitino then signed Jamal Mashburn, a remarkable 6-8 forward from New York, to his first recruiting class.

"We got Jamal Mashburn to come when we were on probation, and he cut that building process in half," Pitino said.

"And then a lot of great players followed because of Jamal!"

In Mashburn's freshman year, the Wildcats finished 22-6 and ranked ninth in the nation. Despite the probation, they had the best record in the Southeastern Conference.

"It's a tremendous marriage for seven years," Pitino said on the eve of the championship game. "It's been exciting for me being part of that. Sometimes I think it's not real, sometimes I think it's a make-believe world, but it's also very exciting."

Kentucky faced a similar situation in the 1950s after winning national titles in 1948, 1949 and 1951 under Adolph Rupp.

The program was suspended for the 1952-53 season by the NCAA following the point-shaving scandals.

Five years later, Rupp and the Wildcats claimed another national title by defeating Seattle.

"I think you get back to the top 10 and hope for the best," he said about returning Kentucky to respectability.

"I thought it would take five years, for the first recruiting class to get to the junior year."

Despite the depleted lineup, Pitino's first Kentucky team finished a surprising 14-14 with an up-tempo style that led the nation in 3-point shooting.

Then Pitino's program really took off.

Kentucky went 29-7 in 1992, losing 104-103 to Duke, the eventual NCAA champion, in the East Regional final that some have labeled as "the greatest NCAA tournament game ever."

The following year, Kentucky reached the Final Four, losing 81-78 in overtime to Michigan in the semifinals while compiling a 30-4 record.

With Mashburn taking his game to the NBA, Kentucky slipped to 27-7 and lost to Marquette in the second round of the 1994 Southeast Regional.

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placing as high as fourth. Brice Dille finished in 24th place, coming up with much needed wins for the Irish cause.

"It was a good team performance overall," raved Auriol. "They fended well with a lot of heart. We were third last year, second this year, who knows maybe next year- first place."

A first place finish next year is not out of the question. Of the eight members that attended NCAAs last weekend, only de Bruin, will not return. The expectations are starting already.

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"That guy was baffling us out there," said Irish head coach Paul Mainieri of the crafty Holland, who entered the game with a swollen 10.80 ERA. "He was really keeping us off balance."

"He threw his pitches very well, mixed it up well-he was just pitching smart, plain and simple," said left fielder Bowen Richards, who put the Irish up for good with a double in the pivotal eighth inning. "We were really anxious, which helped keep him in the game, but you can't take too much away from him."

The Irish's anxiety began to pay off following Holland's departure. Third baseman J.J. Brock ralled the Irish with a sacrifice fly to left field to tie the game at 2-2. Then came a seemingly endless eighth inning which saw the Irish throw a man out at home to preserve the lead before launching an attack which would ultimately put the game out of reach.

The bottom half of the inning opened up with a leadoff walk to shortstop Paul Turco, prompting Schmitz to make his second pitching change in as many innings. But the move backfired on the Falcons once again, as Richards followed a Balk Brooks sacrifice with a double past third base to give the Irish their first lead of the game. Scott Sollmann, who was 2-3 with two runs, three stolen bases and all kinds of mental abuse on Falcon pitching on the afternoon, followed with a run scoring single up the middle, setting the stage for yet another futile pitching change.

This time it was Bob Reichow who bore the brunt of the damage, as the senior who entered the game with an unblemished ERA on the season would surrender a walk to Mike Amrhein, a stolen base to Sollmann and a two-run single to catcher Bob Lisanti before escaping the costly eighth inning.

"It's phenomenal what he does out there," said Mainieri of Sollmann, who, in addition to escaping the costly eighth inning, also allowed just two runs to score over five innings. "It's a lot of trouble. We're not getting a lot of hitting right now, so if our pitchers don't shut them down like they've been shutting them down, we could be in a lot more trouble. Pitching is the name of the game; there's no question about it."

Softball
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Kara McMahon began the Irish effort with a single in the first game's opening inning, followed by hits from Jennifer Guampoloo and Meghan Murray for a 2-0 lead. Two additional runs were added in the second, with an RBI single from Dawn Cunningham. Kelly Row bothed off the sixth with a double, and was later driven home off a single from Amy Labor for a 5-0 victory.

"Our bats have been explicit lately," Murray explained. "We had a good weekend against Rutgers, which carried over to Florida. We've been going out and having a lot of fun, which is different from when we first started the season."

Kara McMahon helped spark an Irish rally early in the second game of a two game sweep of Butler.

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Sports

By DESIREE LEAK
Assistant Sports Editor

At Manchester College in North Manchester, IN, the sun was not the only thing shining last weekend.

The Saint Mary’s track team displayed a successful start as they collected six first place, four second place, and four third place finishes at their second outdoor meet of the season.

“It was good for us to find that we were very competitive against the teams that were there,” Belles head coach Larry Szczecinski said. “The competition inspired us to step up a notch and compete at a higher level. It was exciting to see us excel in our events.”

NCAA indoor qualifier, freshman Stacy Davis, earned first place in both the 200M and 400M races. Davis, along with freshman Sarah Gallagher, senior Jill Junick, and sophomore Kristin Donahue ran the 4x100M relay.

The 4x100 relay brought the rest of the team to its feet, cheering the neck and neck anchor race that ended in a first place as Donahue edged past her competitor at the finish line.

“I kept thinking about the three other runners on my relay, so I gave it my best shot,” Donahue said.

Her best shot proved her medal-worthy. Donahue also placed first in the 100M dash. Freshman Holly Platt received first place honors in the 400M hurdles. Platt placed third in the 100M hurdles and also ran the 4x400M relay.

The 4x400M relay, including Platt, senior Michelle Wenner, sophomore Alisha Barbee and freshman Carrie Kate Briscol, finished second.

“This meet is a great start for the rest of the season,” Platt said.

Briscol placed third in the 400M dash, while Barbee took fourth in the long jump.

Wenner blazed past the competition with a first place finish in the 1500M and a second-place finish in the 800M. Fellow distance runner Keary Sullivan displayed her best race of the season with a third place finish in the 3000M.

In the first 10K of her life, freshman Carrie Ferkenhoff ran 39:20.00. Ferkenhoff’s time was not only good enough to secure a first place among the women runners, but she finished before all but two men running the race.

“My first 10K was really enjoyable. I hope to run it at the next meet,” Ferkenhoff said.

SMC also fared well in field events. Junior Paula Kivinen secured second place in the high jump by tying her personal best height of 5’2”. Senior Julie Goverlee placed third in the shot put and fifth in the discus.

While both campuses look forward to traveling home to Dayton, some chocolate bunnies, the Belles look to continue their winning ways next week as they visit DePaul Saturday.

Baseball

By JOE KAY
Associated Press

CINCINNATI — No one paid attention to the rock music in the clubhouse. There was no kidding around during batting practice. Cameras were trained on the game-faced umpires.

A day after umpire John McSherry collapsed and died, everyone still had a hard time thinking about baseball.

The Montreal Expos and Cincinnati Reds played a make-up game Tuesday for the season opener that was called off a day earlier. McSherry collapsed behind home plate in the first inning Monday and later died of heart failure at a hospital.

The Hamilton County coroner's office ruled Tuesday that McSherry, 51, died of severe head injury, as a result of a brain hemorrhage from a blow to the head.

They were clearly on something else before the first pitch. The mood was reminiscent of the Cleveland Indians' first spring training games after pitcher Steve Olin and Tim Crews died in a boating accident in 1993.

"It's still just a real somber feeling," manager Ray Knight said, in a voice barely above a whisper.

Rock music blared in the clubhouse, but no one joked around.

"We're not discussing it at all," Reds outfielder Eric Davis said. "You see people reading the newspapers, whispering stuff."
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**FENCING**

Notre Dame captures second at NCAA's

*Irish finish strong despite only eight competitors*

By WILLY BAUER

Sports Writer

Tuesday morning when coach Yves Auriol was asked how his team did at the NCAs, he answered, "Second place." The most common response was, "OK." As in, "That's all?"

The expectations of Notre Dame fencing were very good considering we only had eight competing," said Auriol. "We did what we had to do. We needed everyone's contribution and to put it. It is still a team competition. As a coach you look at the team points. With the guys, they want the individual medals."

Both women's teams played huge roles in the Irish's second place finish. After the men's competition was over, Notre Dame was in 12th place. With high individual placing in both weapons, the Irish pulled up ten points ahead of St. John's, who qualified nine fencers. Penn State dominated the fencing event and won the national title with 1500 points.

"Penn State was too good," praised Auriol. "Especially when you consider we couldn't have caught them. We have to be solid in every weapon to be where they are." Sara Walsh finished in second place in women's foil. Walsh was defeated in the championship match by Olga Kalinovskaya, the defending champion. It was the third meeting between the women, with the previous two matches going in Walsh's favor.

The third time was the charm for Kalinovskaya, whose experience came through against the freshman. Walsh almost did not reach the final match. She was down at one point 12-6 and then 14-11, only to come back and beat Patricia Szelle from Ohio State, 15-14.

Classmate Myriah Brown ended the tournament in sixth place. Both women received All-American accolades for their season and NCAA performances in their first seasons at Notre Dame.

Senior Claudette de Bruijn finished in third place in women's epee for the second consecutive year. De Bruijn had a dominating match for the bronze medal, winning 15-6 over Siska Pire of Ohio State to conclude her fencing career at Notre Dame. Sophomore Anne Hoos finished in 15th place in her first NCAA tournament. Hoos finished the season one victory shy of All-American honors.

"It was a strong finish for the women," said Auriol about the women's team performance. "We were very close with St. John's, and Claudette, Anne, Myriah and Sara did the job."

The sabre team was again a strength for the Irish. Freshman Luke LaValle ended his first season with a respectable fourth place finish. De Bruijn stated his epee and foil faced tougher times against the competition. "Jeremy Siek struggled" through the tournament and ended up in ninth place. Siek beat two of the top fencers at the tournament but lost two matches afterwards to less heralded opponents, which cost him a third place finish.

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For awhile yesterday, it looked as if the Notre Dame baseball team's six game winning streak would come to an end at the hands of a determined Bowling Green squad.

"For the first time, the Irish proved to benefit from the addition, trapping over Butler in two games, 5-0, 5-0. Senior pitcher Terri Kobata continued to play a crucial role in the Irish victory, striking out 10 of the 17 Bulldogs she faced. Kobata is now 12-1 for the season, with an ERA of 4.9. "I haven't been throwing (the way I did Tuesday) until last weekend," Kobata said. "My rhythm was a little off until about a week ago, so it feels good to finally do it. I'm gaining confidence and feeling like everything's coming together."

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