ND students 'speak out' about policy toward Iraq

By MATTHEW LOUGHRAN
Associate News Editor

More than 50 students, faculty and community members heaved the 42-degree temperature last night to voice their discontent with U.S. policy toward Iraq in a "speak out" held on the Fieldhouse Mall.

"The United States moves unilaterally," argued Betsy Erbaugh, a graduate student in peace studies. "The U.S. has made it clear that it will go on with whatever it wants to do regardless of what the U.N., the international community or American people think."

She further commented that the U.N.-imposed sanctions are "harmful to a majority of the Iraqi people. To illustrate her point she cited a statistic that attributed 200,000 deaths to the actual Persian Gulf conflict.

However, she claimed that one million people have died as a direct result of the sanctions.

The rally, which was registered in the name of graduate student Aaron Kreider, proceded informally with seconds of silence between speeches and no list of speakers.

Anne Monaghan, also a peace studies graduate student, related the situation in Iraq to that in her home of Northern Ireland.

"The United States policy is discriminatory," she said. "I know, because in Ireland, the policy is completely biased towards the Catholic Nationalists."

"The Protestants tend to feel like they are being discriminated against. I think that it is promising and great that the U.S. seems to have reached a deal in Iraq, but the U.S. has to respect that."

T.J. Vanderbeek, a freshman, spoke as the only voice of dissent in the rally. Vanderbeek, whose father is in the Army, was asked to come to the microphone as a different point of view.

"This is an ongoing situation," he said. "It would have been something if Saddam Hussein had never used biological weapons before, but he has. I have a friend in Israel, who I just talked with last week," he added. "She told me that she is getting fitted for a gas mask.

Speaker believes in cure for homosexuality

By ALEX ORR

The pathology of homosexuality is treatable through Christian love and community.

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ND architecture team to attend world engineering conference

Fifth-year students gain national recognition for 'kinetic skyscraper'

By MARY ZAKAS

A Notre Dame architectural team has been invited to a world conference in Kyoto, Japan, to share its original design for creating "super-tall" buildings.

Fifth year architecture students Shelley Hoenle, Geoffrey Locksmith, Christopher Podstawski and Jennifer Rice have been working on a "kinetic skyscraper" design with associate professor I-Kwang Chang and professor Bob Amico since last fall.

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Many have heard the old adage: "Those who can, do; and those who can't, teach." NoElse, Dean, however, doesn't even have an education department itself, so it seems a commentary on the market for $25,000-per-year job teaching that yields a $20,000-per-year income. You may feel they are not teaching, as they must spend all their college education taking classes. Those classes are not the case.

What we also recognized that all classes taken in college are education classes? That each teacher, in effect, either teaches the same class or teaches an entirely different class. You're a tip if your professor is so interesting that you're reading my column during class, that will fall under the category of "teaching how not to teach." It seems to me that many, if not all, of the teachers in college, one, would have both the knowledge of history or math to teach those subjects, and a feel for what works in teaching it. It also seems to me that the classes essentially are in a letter grade system in order to be summed into a summer. Maybe a psychology course pertaining to the age group you intend to teach. An ethics course, I suppose. And maybe a few of what are now generally called education. They could see one, for four or five of these new education classes and probably prepare to four or five of a subject, and a sense of polished one's teaching skills.

With the well-documented breakdown of the American family unit, one is left to wonder what our youth is like for role models. Sport? No, they're entertainers, not role models. Politics? Yeah, right. Interns? Then where?

The answer may be the classroom. Imagine, if tomorrow's success will be a classroom. Instead of going to school for five or six classes with 10 other teachers, one could go to school for class with three or four of these teachers and class with four or five of these new education classes. Outside the classroom, where today's society tells us we need the teachers, they would focus on making more than make up for what they may lack in the classroom. They would provide new identity that is not as arduous to apprise, approachable, more prone to teach, more willing to bend around and talk with students.

This is not to say that older teachers can't connect with students, so put down your angry quilt and hear me out. No matter how you can be one of the old teachers would be needed to connect, with students, and thus, mentor and helping.

Students would do this, too. This is a change to "give back" like our society says one should, an opportunity to "find oneself" and have a sense of fulfillment before the demands of family start pushing down and, contrary to popular belief about the values of their jobs, it would actually make one more mature, and, logically, one more adjusted to the 30-40-3-1.

Institutions must adapt to the changing needs of society. Many would agree that our society has changed since the 1950's, but our educational system has not. The restoration of the old adage is a nice cause, but instead of lamenting the fact that those days are over, it seems to me we should do something about dealing with the change. The educational institution is one that could help solve many of the problems that plague today's youth. And Bill Clinton could not need to be a role model.

Walesa calls for values in world affairs

Without a basis in shared values and a foundation in personal conviction, international law has no standing. Lech Walesa, 1983 Nobel Peace Prize winner and six-time independent presidential candidate in Poland, told a crowd in excess of 1,000 in A.U.'s Bender Arena Thursday. His Kennedy Political Union-sponsored speech was also a part of "Project Europe," a homecoming week event hosted by the student government. It was an excellent opportunity to learn what makes a great person and what doesn't.

The Associated Student Government announced Monday the immediate derecognition of 31 student organizations, and many student group leaders said the move came as a complete surprise. An additional 11 student groups were immediately suspended from consideration for recognition, the student activities funding board. Many group leaders said they plan to appeal the change in status at Wednesday's A.U.S.G. meeting. For a group's original status to be restored, a majority of the senate must vote to overturn the executive committee's decision. The committee looked at groups' membership, financial conduct, quality of programming and how similar they are to other groups during the student group review, said executive vice president Andrew Mohraz. The committee made recommendations to the senate, one of which scored below a predetermined cut-off mark. "We've had groups that weren't maintaining standards, and other groups that should be recognized by another department," said Mohraz.

UC may alter admissions to up diversity

In an attempt to increase the pool of UC applicants, the UC Board of Regents discussed qualifying the top 4 percent of students from every California high school for admission to the UC system. An estimated 3,000 additional students would be added to the applicant pool, while the amount of students admitted would not increase, said Teri Lightfoot, professor in the UC Office of the President. Because of the Lightfoot estimates that the top 4 percent of all applicants could be affected by this plan. UC regents speculated that the top 4 percent of all high school's students would help increase the diversity of UC applicants. "One would hope it would broaden the number of schools from which we are drawing and add a different perspective to the student body," said regent Judith Levin. "It also might encourage schools to make more students eligible.

Salie, though she would not cite the exact rule Colte-Opitz broke. 18. "I'm not sure if her Green-Gate Opinion read to The Herald — her lawyer asked the. if it was released — was told by Solie that she was fired for the comments that appeared in The Herald. Solie said she was told they were disre- spectful and violated the pages' code of conduct.

"I'm very upset about this," said Colte-Opitz. "I was afraid that there was more politics in the last day that she was there."

Solie had close ties to Jensen. The student directly appointed her as the Capitol's first woman sergeant-at-arms on Jan. 1 and has worked at the job for five weeks.

Jensen's office said the relationship had no impact on the decision to fire Colte-Opitz.

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

By ANNE SCHNEEMAN
News Writer

Since the inception of their religion, Christians have been taught that in the beginning was the Word. But ever since, they have argued about the meaning of the Word. Currently, they are debating the significance in terms of women being ordained as priests. In 1996, 65 percent of Roman Catholics supported the ordination of women. Yet, Pope John Paul II has made clear that the Church has a different position.

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"One can also appreciate that the presence of a certain diversity of roles is no way prejudicial to women, provided that this discrimination is not the result of an arbitrary imposition but is rather an expression of what is specific to being male and female..." - Pope John Paul II

Therefore, the debate about the ordination of women is not a new issue. It has been around since the beginning of Christianity and has been debated by various Christian leaders and theologians.

Sister Madeleva's life proof of devotion

By LISA MAXBAUER
News Writer

Out of Cambert, Wis., emerged one of the 20th century's most influential poets, proclaimed the woman of the decade. Sister Madeleva Wolff never anticipated the reputation she has received.

Upon arrival at Saint Mary's, Mary Eveline Wolff was known as a rebellious student who held parties in her room,ahkaned in class and sought to challenge the confines of authority. When the college confronted her regarding her wild nature, this free spirit claimed, "Some of the rules, I think, are rather foolish." Twenty-five years later, this woman returned to Saint Mary's campus, both as a nun and the president of the college.

It was precisely this enthusiastic independence of Wolff that allowed her to make a revolutionary impact on the world. In 1925, she became Sister Madeleva. The woman who once feared the Church's teachings could only be studied by women and lay people. It was only a set curriculum for men and women.

This restriction became Sister Madeleva's concern around the world. Gail Porter Mandell, professor of humanities studies at Saint Mary's and recent author of the book, "Sister Madeleva: A Biography," believes this woman was motivated because she was the worst taught, even though it was the corner stone of Catholic education.

"Sister Madeleva believed religion should be better integrated into the minds of educated individuals." - Gail Porter Mandell

The essence of our college is not its buildings, its endowment or even its faculty; the essence is the teaching of truth." - SISTER MADELEVA WOLFF

Sister Madeleva was successful in bringing the liberal arts into the college curriculum. In 1952, she received a doctorate degree from Berkeley in 1918 and was able to receive this well-respected honor from Berkeley's institution.

Sister Madeleva became the third president of Saint Mary's in 1934. She brought with her the qualifications of "my ability to dream and my capacity to work." Sister Madeleva is remembered for numerous achievements, but one particularly remains influential on an international level. At the time, there was no place in the world where theology could be studied by women and lay people. It was only a set curriculum for men and women.

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But last June, the Catholic Theological Society issued a different reaction. The statement said, "There are serious doubts regarding the nature of the author of this teaching." The criticism was not directed at the Pope, but at Cardinal Joseph Ratzinger, head of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith. Ratzinger relies on scripture and church tradition in asserting that the exclusion of women is infallible.

Theologians are skeptical of the Church's current stance on ordination. They argue that it is a tradition that rests on the cultural belief about women's inferiority. Since the Pope has yet to declare it an infallible teaching, it must be considered a teaching that becomes truly binding to all Catholics.

The Church's position on ordination is one of the most controversial issues in the Catholic Church. It has been a topic of debate for centuries, and the current position of the Church is not widely accepted by many Catholics.

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Sister Madeleva, who chose her name by combining the three names of Mary, Mary Magdalen and Eve, furthered her education with a master's degree from Notre Dame in 1918 and a doctorate degree from Berkeley in 1925. She studied in the priesthood.

The curriculum was understood to be the same for men and women, but the validation of their work was different. The first phase of feminist theology was founded on the work of women. The second phase has been most important because it turned into secular, evangelical, African, Asian and Native American feminism.

The different subgroups of the developing theology are not easily categorized. They have joined forces as a whole women's movement has significantly diversified. Now, feminist theology has turned into secular, evangelical, African, Asian and Native American feminism.

One clear change that feminist theology has brought is the inclusion of gender sensitive language. "It's amazing how threatening female language can be to people. They aren't used to hearing God referred to in any way but 'He.' It may be difficult for students to think of women in leadership positions when they can only use masculine images and language for God," said professor Joseph Incandela, a theology professor at Saint Mary's.

But feminist theology's most important role so far may be calling attention to the invaluable roles women have played throughout history. In the discovery of these essential roles, feminist theology has served as an important agent against the abuse and oppression that women have suffered.

Theological sisters faced a new era have begun to focus on the destruction of natural resources, pollution, militarism and poverty. These issues will continue to be the focus of feminist theologians well into the 21st century.
Father Michael Baxter urged students to carry on the mission of peace beyond the scope of the protest, saying that even though a peace agreement has been signed, the situation with Iraq is not over.

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"Basically, it is good that there is an agreement," he concluded. "But if Saddam continues to break the agreement, we should bomb him or punish him in some way."

Father Mike Baxter, assistant professor of theology, stressed the fundamental need for peace within the global situation, regardless of how the Iraq situation ends.

"We need to continue to make witness for peace after this is all done. We need to be assured of the ultimate happiness and relief of the world," Baxter said.

The rally lasted more than one hour, and organizers posted signs on the War Memorial Fountain that read "Support the UN agreement," and "No U.S. Showdown with Iraq." Every speaker expressed the desire to create awareness of the situation in Iraq and each echoed the idea that the U.N. peace deal does not spell the end of the crisis in Iraq.

Near the end of the "speak out," Lee Gaster, from the Interfaith Committee on Peace in the Middle East, announced a march on Rep. Tim Roemer's office in downtown South Bend.

The Chinese Golden Dragon Acrobats to perform in Stepan

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Tickets are $5 for general admission and $3 for Notre Dame, Saint Mary's and Holy Cross College students. They can be purchased in advance at the LaFortune student center information desk and at the door.

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U.S. soldiers remain skeptical

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The USS George Washington T-shirts showing Saddam Hussein caught in a rifle's cross-hairs are selling briskly aboard the USS George Washington, where an agreement to end the Iraq confrontation was met with relief by the troops also skeptical.

“Nobody’s packing their bags,” said Rear Adm. Michael Mullen, commander of the U.S. battle group in the Persian Gulf.

Warplanes carrying air-to-air missiles roared into the sky on Tuesday, headed for the southern no-fly zone over Iraq.

Officers said there was little change in their flight plans despite the new U.N.-mediated accord meant to avert a U.S.-led attack on Iraq.

“We will not change our operating schedule,” said Capt. Lindell Rutherford, the aircraft carrier’s commander. He said the ship still sends some 40 to 50 flights a day over the no-fly zone.

“The possibility of military action may be slightly less than it was a few days ago,” Rutherford said, adding that “the next few days will be important.”

U.S. forces in the Gulf, which include two aircraft carrier battle groups totaling 100 attack aircraft, are expected to remain in the southern no-fly zone.

Since it arrived in November in the George Washington has been sending warplanes over southern Iraq to patrol the no-fly zone established by the United States and its allies in November over the Gulf War — and to prepare for possible bombing raids.

“There’s been a collective sigh of relief,” said Carroll, of Virginia Beach, Va. “I don’t think anyone really wanted to go to war.”

Below deck in the ship’s store, Petty Officer Third Class Willie Brimage folded a stack of T-shirts bearing the Iraqi leader’s head, fixed in the sights of a rifle.

Brimage, who manages the independently run store but would work in damage control if fighting began, said he has been selling at least 100 T-shirts a day — sometimes 200 — since the store started carrying them about a week ago.

The ship carries some 5,500 service members, and many have been buying stacks of the shirts to send to friends and relatives.

On the hangar deck, sailors policed the radar dome of an F-18 fighter. Another group of service members touched up the dull gray paint of an aircraft.

“T’m happy that no one had to die innocently,” said Lt. Joe Guarino, a son of Leavenworth, Kan., an F-18 fighter pilot with the Marauders squadron.

Many pilots said they were skeptical that an agreement would hold and pointed to the almost yearly confrontations between the United States and Iraq.

Tobacco companies re-examine nicotine

ASSOCIATED PRESS

WASHINGTON Tobacco company executives faced dwindling prospects for a national tobacco settlement and new attacks on their credibility Tuesday as they weighed in on the question of whether nicotine is addictive.

“I wouldn’t personally, in a serious debate about smoking, label tobacco as addictive,” said Nick Brookes, chairman and CEO of Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corp.

“Whatever the use of that word, means, is that people can’t quit. I would disavow it more of a habit than I would label it as addictive,” said Vincent Gerder Jr. of U.S. Tobacco Inc.

“I’ve always thought, and I was a smoker, that smoking is habit-forming,” said Steven Goldstone, chairman and CEO of RJ Reynolds Inc.

Their testimony before the Senate Commerce Committee — which differed somewhat from their January testimony before a House committee — “disappointed” chairman John McClellan, D-Ariz., who wrote a bill that would ban a much of the June inspection, said the tobacco industry wanted Congress to stay through Tuesday’s hearing.

Democrats on the panel challenged the industry’s veracity on numerous issues, such as why a catalog from Goldstone’s company continues selling products with the Joe Camel likeness after the firm pledged to halt that advertising campaign. Critics say it appeals to children.

Goldstone said that catalog will be out of date this summer and that Joe Camel will not appear on company products thereafter.

The executive, qualified answers to the addiction question undermined the industry’s credibility, several lawmakers said.

“I’ve been disappointed,” McClellan told reporters after the hearing. “There’s a lot of symbolism in that question. It’s symbolic of the skepsis that exists about their sincerity.”

Mississippi Attorney General Michael Moore, who headed the states negotiations, with the industry, said the executives’ “dancing around” the question “wasn’t very smart.

“There’s a simple answer: Yes; nicotine is addictive, Moore said after the hearing.

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always done what it needs to survive, and it will survive" said Josephine Inzanneldi, a theology professor at Saint Mary's.

While Eastern churches may have ordained women in early centuries, it has been the unbroken tradition of the Roman Catholic Church to ordain only men into the priesthood. John Paul II has maintained that the Church has no authority to ordain women to the priesthood.

Sister Regina Coll, a theology professor at Notre Dame and member of the committee on Notre Dame's position on the ordination of women, says many of her students don't even understand why it is a question. "The Pope would like the case to be closed, but I think there is more dialogue now than ever. This is an issue of discipline, not an issue of doctrine," said Coll.

Roman Catholic spokesmen have made it clear that if other denominations ordain women, it would have negative consequences on a future union with the Catholic Church. There are 44 denominations

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was internationally known as a medieval scholar and a friend to all. When she announced her retirement as president of Saint Mary's in 1961, letters and telegrams from around the world poured in to say farewell.

Sister Madeleva's visual memory lives on around in the U.S. that do ordain women, ranging from the Methodist church in 1892 to the Episcopal church in 1979. Many congregations adopted the ordination of women because they merged with a church that already had ordination in place.

Since 1970, women in the U.S. have become clergy in increasing numbers. At that time, three percent of clergy were female, but by 1990 the numbers were up to 10 percent. Today, more than 50 percent of theological schools are filled with women. The question of ordination does not necessarily reflect the leadership roles of women in their church or parish. In the Catholic Church, many women have moved into positions of "pastoring" within the parish in administrative and counseling roles.

Even in religions that allow female ordination, however, women do not receive equal treatment. Early female Congregationalist clergy, who were ordained in 1853, were limited, and when they did have parishes, the congregations were small and low paying.

These days, "the Word" on the ordination of women is that the debate is anything but over.

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between the condition of homosexuality and the art itself. In 1986, recalled Harvey, it came from the Vatican that "the homosexual condition is not in itself sinful, but is an objective disorder." The treatment of this disorder is where Father Harvey and his group Courage come in.

Begun in 1978 as a five day intensive retreat for homosexual priests, the organization now spans the earth, from the Philippines to Ireland to the United States to Canada. It provides a support system, not just for troubled clerics, but homosexuals from all walks of life, who want some way to curb their affiliation and order their lives.

If you realize that you have a support system, the better chance there is to overcome the condition and live a chaste life," remarked Harvey. This system has structured itself over the years by influences from both within and without, including a modeling after the Alcoholics Anonymous' 12 steps program, a five goal strategy developed by the 10 initial members.

And has it worked? The answer depends on the patient, says Harvey. "It works for those who work with the goals and steps. Those who stay on the system, the better chance they have of surviving." Additionally, Courage has set up a program for parents and loved ones of homosexuals whose lifestyles have led them away from the Catholic Church. "Almost 40 percent of the calls we get are from parents who are heartbroken because a son or daughter has rejected Catholic teaching, and the parents want to know what they can do," detailed Harvey.

Typically, he said, the response of Courage is simply to "keep in touch, but don't push to hard, in order to avoid resentment."

"I have never met anybody yet who chose to be a homosexual," said Harvey. "I have the greatest respect for those people, and their dignity as children of God."

Father Harvey has published two books on the subject of Catholic action among homosexuals. "The Homosexual Person" and "The Truth about Homosexuals," in addition to over 40 articles on the subject.
**Tornado rescue turns to cleanup, rebuilding**

**Storm is state's deadliest ever as toll hits 39**

By KAREN TESTA
Associated Press

KISSIMMEE, Fla. — Rescuers with dogs searched the piney woods near a torna-
do-devastated campground Tuesday for possible victims of a swarm of tornadoes that struck central Florida.

The death toll was 39. Three people were missing late Tuesday, one from the Ponderosa Park Campground. Three others listed as missing from the campground were found alive at a hospital. As hope of finding more survivors faded, searchers began yanking to the two dogs, "Go find Fred!" — the signal for the black Labrador and Weimaraner to find bodies hid-
den in the underbrush sur-
rrounding the campground.

"Search!" — the command to find survivors — could no longer be heard.

"There's nothing in there," said Lt. Mark Bogush of the Tampa Fire-Rescue Canine Unit. "They don't want to shut that door of hope, but this is basically a cleanup."

Rescuers picked through the mass of twisted metal, shat-
tered glass and splintered lumber the day after six to 10 EF-
0-driven twisters tore through central Florida from the Gulf of Mexico, destroying more than 900 homes and busi-
esses.

Monday's tornadoes, packing 260 mph winds, were the state's deadliest on record, killing more than Hurricanes Andrew in 1992, which left 32 people dead in Florida, Louisiana and the Bahamas.

The weather service issued warnings 20 to 30 minutes before the tornadoes hit, but it did little good. "When people are sleeping, there's no way of getting the message out," said Terry Faber, University of Miami meteorology researcher.

Divers combing the creek behind a home in Sanford found the body of 21-year-old Penny Leine Hall. Also killed when the twisters hit their house were her parents, Debra and Edward Hall, and her fiancé, 23-year-old Kevin Taylor.

Only her 5-year-old daughter, Ashley, sur-
vived. She was hospi-
talized with seri-
ous injuries.

Elsewhere in Sanford, 40 miles north of Orlando, the p u r i f i e d stench of a rotting pig car-
er was along a driv-
eway hung heav-
ily in the air over a 10-
acre farm. Chickens, pigs, a horse and a cow were killed in a bro-
ken leg wandered about in a daze.

Freddie Padgett of the town of Geneva near Daytona Beach recounted wearing a life jacket to bed — his habit whenever storms approach. His recre-

ational vehicle was demolished and he was hurled into Lake Harney by the winds, staying afloat by clinging for hours to a small boat.

The number of people left homeless and damage esti-
mates were being tallied Tuesday. State insurance com-
misssioner Bill Nelson said, how-
ever, that property damage was not on a scale with Hurricane Andrew, which destroyed or damaged 35,000 homes and caused $25 billion in losses.

Shelters were set up to house thousands, but many found solace with relatives, neighbors or in hotels.

Donations began pouring in as relief organizations estimat-
ed that more than $300,000 will be needed to shelter, feed and clothe displaced families. President Clinton declared the region a disaster, clearing the way for federal aid, and the Red Cross provided meals. Clinton also promised to survey the destruction Wednesday.

Cinde Van Herbals was among the volunteers helping to distribute supplies.

"We are giving them what they will need today and tomor-
row," she said. "They were afraid if they took too much there wouldn't be anything for somebody else."

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Dissident-turned-president promises reforms

By PAUL SHIN
Associated Press

SEOUL
Former dissident Kim Dae-jung was sworn in as South Korea’s president Wednesday, pledging democratic and economic reforms and a new relationship with communist North Korea.

The inauguration marked the first transfer of power to an opposition party in South Korea’s turbulent 50-year history as an independent nation.

"Today is a proud day when a democratic transition of power is taking place on this soil for the first time," Kim said before 45,000 invited guests and common folk at a plaza in front of the National Assembly.

Since its founding in 1948, South Korea has been governed by the same conservative political groups. And through most of those years, Kim, 74, was persecuted as a dangerous dissident—an apostle of democracy in a land of military dictators.

Among the invited guests were Kim’s three immediate predecessors—Kim Young-sam, Chun Doo-hwan and Roh Tae-woo. Chun and Roh, ex-army generals, seized power in a 1979 coup, arrested Kim Dae-jung on sedition charges and committed him to death.

Kim was spared after intervention by the United States, but spent 15 years in prison, exile and house arrest and survived what he believes were three assassination attempts by the military leaders who watched as he took the oath of office.

In his acceptance speech, Kim renewed his promise that his “government of the people” will not seek political revenge.

 Declaring that reviving the economy is his biggest task, the new president said a lack of democracy resulted in collusion between politics and business in South Korea, contributing to the country’s current crisis.

"I firmly believe that we can overcome today’s crisis by practicing democracy and a market economy" simultaneously, he said.

Saying his new government will try to thaw long-frozen relations with rival North Korea, the new president proposed that the two Koreas exchange special envoys to discuss rapprochement.

Kim also renewed his earlier proposal for a summit with North Korean leader Kim Jong II.

In an apparent response to Kim’s earlier offer, North Korea said last week that it is willing to talk with the new South Korean government—something it has refused to do for years.

Kim set forth three principles—no North Korean armed provocations, no South Korean attempts to absorb North Korea and expanded inter-Korea exchanges—as a basis of peaceful coexistence.

Whether you’re heading for Daytona, Panama City or mom’s home cooking during Spring Break, it may be a good idea to head to L.S. Ayres first.

We have a great new selection of swimwear—and you can use the coupon below to save 15% on any Electric Beach suit by Jantzen—America’s favorite swimsuit maker.

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As a senior at Notre Dame, I have finally decided to the limit. I refuse to be treated like a second-class student and be judged on my race, gender or sexuality, but because I am a varsity athlete.

After overhearing the casual conversions of two classmates today, the stereotypes I have felt all along were reinforced. As a softball player, I am an athlete. And as an athlete, I must be treated differently.

"Instead of being proud to represent Notre Dame with my talents, I am often made to feel ashamed to admit the class? What if I were a..."
Margaret Shaheen

Recently in Colorado, a little 10-year-old girl grabbed her mother’s lunch box by mistake and took it to school. Colorado has a law that forbids students from bringing knives of any size to school. You can bring a pair of scissors, but not a knife. During lunch, the little girl opened her lunch box, and to her horror, found a paring knife inside. She later told her teacher what she had done. The teacher studied the knife, measured it, determined it was one-inch long and concluded it was smaller than a machete. Then the teacher dragged the cut knife to the principal. The principal measured the knife, concluded it was smaller than a machete by a good three feet — and straight away expelled the little 10-year-old. The little girl’s mother called the newspapers, who promptly made fun of the teacher, the principal, and the school board for hiring such ignorant people.

Anyway, the little girl is now back in school. The Colorado legislature is passing a law that says teachers must use commonsense. Even my father knows that and he can’t find the right trial head.

Even I do stupid things. Not too long ago I was in the North Dining Hall putting my tray away when I got the uncontrollable urge — I mean, it had been the ice cream — to ride the luge. I flipped the tray over my head, smashed my foot into it, caromed off a table, and slid feet first, but in the tray — huge style — across the floor. All to the chorus of “Oh God, that 50-cent dining hall faithful!

I don’t need a thronging crowd to make a fool of myself. Right after I got back to school, I went to the gas station to fill up my Honda. For reasons I don’t understand, I was having a bit of a problem getting the gas cap off — actually it was more than a bit of a problem. I couldn’t get the darn thing off. The more I tried, the worse it got. This was okay, but, unfortunately, I was not alone. There was a guy in a Ford with a pick-up truck who said, “You say in Montana watching me. Finally, he couldn’t stand it any longer. He poked his head out the window and yelled, “Hey, honey, turn the cap the other way!” Then he looked at my license plate, furrowed his brow, stroked his mustache, shook his head and spat, undoubtedly wondering how in God’s name I made it from Colorado to Indiana. I’m sure he was also wondering who the hell decided to let women on the road anyway. I understand the Indiana legislature is considering that question now.

I avoid abuse, however. My friends do dumb things too. When I was in high school, I understood I needed to get a ride with my best friend’s brother. Jon. One day the car was really jammed by the time I got to his house, and I was ready to head for the trunk. My friend Sam, afraid that there was not enough room for Sam and her backpack, Jon turned off the car and said, “You keys, handed them to Sam and said, “Put it in the trunk.” Sam hesitated, then headed for the trunk. You guessed it. She put the keys in the trunk.

So, when people ask “how dumb can you get?” I’ve learned that the answer is — a heck of a lot dumber than you’d think.

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Environmentalism Is Hardly a Liberal Notion

Sean O’Connor

Wednesday, February 25, 1998

Environmentalism can be made to seem “conservative.” It would have a much broader appeal. Presently, environmentalism is a liberal viewpoint. Environmental radicals grab more than their share of media coverage. This lends a slightly radical, or at least liberal, air to the whole environmental movement. In people with more conserva-
tively oriented social and political values, environmentalism is equated with liberalism.

Otherwise reasonable people display a paranoid mistrust of environ-
mentalism, lumping it in with deficit-spending, exorbitant wel-
fare, and the rest of the package.

This is to the great detriment of the environmental movement. It is hardly liberal. It is, in fact, quite conservative, in a truer sense of the word. Conservative people are wary of change, tending to adhere to traditional values. Wholesale habitat destruction is change. The burgeoning suburban sprawl is not really traditional. People who are truly conservative should be exceedingly cautious of these things.

Fundamentally, it does not make sense to keep gob-
bling up finite land and resources with an insatiable voracity. Any moron can see that things will run out, probably sooner than later. But even before things run out, other subtle changes in climate, etc., will probably nail us. While the point can be argued as to how much of various things we have and how long they will last, it’s better to err on the side of caution. This is a very conser-
vative approach. Why throw away our eggs in one basket, so to speak, hoping for wondrous technological advances that will allow an exponentially growing population to continue forever on already depleted resources? That is very liberal.

There is nothing wrong with occasionally going to outrageous, radical ends to prove the point, constantly doing so does not drive that point home to the majority of Americans, who are traditional in their social values.

Chaining yourself to trees mainly appeals to young romantics. Environmental radicalism is a lot more attrac-
tive in a college sort of setting, much the same as a naked sit-in or a big pot-smoking festival. Take a bunch of 50-
something high school kids, tell them that sitting in the park naked smoking pot is going to save the world, and they will show up. They do not trust it because it is liberal. A few might do it, but the others will just arrest them. And then the world will end because the people in charge refused to be rational. It is, in other words, that smoking pot naked was passed down from their grandfa-
thers, would bring economic stability, and is in the Bible, and they might do it. Not saying that these things about smoking pot naked are true (although it would probably stop if everybody agreed on the point) but the majority of Americans do not want to push the envelope of liberal norms.

Maybe the radical message will sink into the younger generations (younger than us). But there is a danger it could be a faddish conviction. It’s easy to edge around preaching things that seem outrageous or forbidden or dangerous. When people are not used to diving down career paths, they will not be afraid to try something. But be it the least they’re going to come to the 50’s. But when they have to work for a living, most people are not as liberal as they claim. You wear a green shirt around here and you practically get gunned down from COBA (unless they mistake it for money-green).

Look at the generation that came of age in the 50’s. They are hardly as radical in their approach to life as we are. A more mellowing will occur in our own generation. If our commitment to sound environmental practices is founded on our commitment to challenging the societal status quo — or being radical — and this does chal-
genue fudes — as it seems to with age in many people — then the conviction to the environment will likewise fade.

Instead, environmentalists should invoke tradition, morality, and common sense to get their message across to the largest group. Tell people that wise use of resources is the long-standing practice of the good person. It is, in fact, sinful to squander land away when the signs of abuse are quite apparent.

Call upon Christian conservatives to heed the message of stewardship contained in Genesis, and then illustrate the glaring contradiction between stewardship and rape.

Religion could be a powerful medium to convey an envi-
ronmental message.

Suggest the economic benefits of maintaining forests and rural landscapes for the benefit of wise, just, and steady stores that are going to be stripped away in the first tornado, if they don’t close first for lack of consumers in their bizarre niche. Point to the odd tendency of people to move out of beautiful old sections of the city into the suburbs because they want to be more in the country; they then sweep unseemly, oversized houses that are aesthetically inferior to the older buildings and have no land around them any-
more, and just as much traffic. Then, when things start to strip away a belt of trees from the edge of a stream to create more cropland, only to have that area of land


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Letter to the Editor

Bengal Bouts: The Strong Fight for the Weak


Women and men, two super heavyweights. Football players, Ken McMahon and Steve Browner, came out in Hawaiian swim trunks because our normal blue or gold trunks barely covered one leg. They went at it for three rounds, knocking each other down all night. I don’t even remember who won. Just before that, Ross’ brother, Jim Browner, had fought linebackers Doug Rucker in one of the more exciting matches in the history of the Bengal Bouts! These two fights left the crowd of 10,000 people on their feet yelling and screaming.

Most importantly, I watched those young men with their deep skill and stamina fight their hearts out . . . leaving nothing in the ring. These men had gone on to careers in medicine or law or public service, etc.

Outside of the ring, we heard and felt the influence of the Holy Cross Order on those Bengal Bouts. Father Joe, Tom Brennan and Father “Tuffy” Ryan – Father Heschburg and Father Joyce – Father Ed Goedert and Father Jim Haines – and Father Maloney, Father Bill Scheel and many others.

As one of the primary supporters of the Holy Cross Mission in Bangladesh, we had heard from those and other visiting priests and brothers about the impact of the Bengal Bout’s contribution each year.

But, to hear is to forget. To see is to remember. To do is to know.

Now it was time “TO SEE.”

1997: Notre Dame College, Dhaka, Bangladesh

Journal Notes. A 42-hour trip. An all night train from Nizhni Novgorod to Moscow. Flew to London in the morning . . . to Dhaka. Picked up at the airport by Brother Rodney, one of the finest priests. Father “Tuffy” Ryan . . . Father Heschburg and Father Joyce . . . Father Ed Goedert and Father Jim Haines . . . and Father Maloney, Father Bill Scheel and many others.

Arrived at the oasis of the walled complex of Notre Dame College . . . and immediately felt the impact of the Holy Cross priests and brothers. Took a tour with Father Joe, the president of Notre Dame College, and felt his passion and commitment (reflected by everyone else) for the secondary school, the college, the seminary, the orphanage, the medical center and the trade school.

The mix of two cultures was obvious: two cows wandering on the ‘main quad’ . . . next to a basketball court and a three-wall handball court . . . to the other side of the complex, “main quad?” It remains” of an old and existing building.

Sunday dinner was one of the highlights of my life. Thirteen Holy Cross priests and brothers sat and discussed Notre Dame, boxing, and their work in Bangladesh with me. Some were native priests educated and ordained at Notre Dame College . . . many were Americans who had dedicated the majority of their life to helping the poor on the other side of the world.

Father Joe Levaine, the Newport, Rhode Island transplant, who ran the local parish, and helped out at one of Mother Teresa’s orphanges. Served in Father Brian’s room (who happened to be in the middle part of their two-months-every-three-years rotation) Concrete floor . . . shower head in the ceiling of the bathroom . . . bookcases . . . reading chair . . . a desk . . . a mosquito net and a fan . . . a husk mattress. Woke at 5:30 a.m. A Malei was being blasted from the local mosque. The speakers seemed to be aimed directly at my room.

Went to 3:30 a.m. mass with Brother Rodney. Father Steven and 50 first-year students. Another powerful movement coming out as the students sang and prayed.

Visited the trade school and met with Brother Tom . . . lunched with Father Benjamin, the provincial at the Monroe House . . . and visited St. Gregory’s Church, St. Francis Xavier, and School, and Mother Teresa’s Orphanage with Father Joe and Father Hes.

(I was actually meeting those “children” our mothers told us about when we didn’t eat all of our food.)

Walking through the bazaar area within the slums was an incredible attack on the senses: the smell of the food, the incense, the lack of any sewer facilities . . . the sight of the stalls and the street urchins . . . the sound of the people, laughter and the wailing from the mosques . . . and the feel of both poverty and hope.

Thirty-six hours with the finest men on the face of the earth, and at 37,000 feet on my way back to Delhi, a verse from the Bengal poet, Rabindranath Tagore, came to mind: “This song that I came to sing in the fields . . . for five days, I have spent my days in stringing and unstringing my instrument . . . your wish, your heart, your wishing in my heart.”

I know one thing. Not one of these priests or brothers has left their song “unsung” . . . and there is no “agony of wishing in their hearts.” They are doing exactly what they want to do . . . and what they were meant to do. They are bringing meaning to the lives of those less fortunate.


It was time “TO DO.”

The NEED: These dedicated priests and brothers of the Holy Cross Missions in Bangladesh use the current annual contribution from the Bengal Bouts to help run the Mission.

Now there is an additional need for new buildings.

The GOAL: The boxing club’s goal this year is to generate $40,000 (from ticket sales, ads, and palcecards/sponsors). (1996 was a record year with a check for $23,000!)

What is the impact the proceeds from the Bouts have on the Mission? In Bangladesh cur­ rently: 1. $200,000! What is the impact the proceeds from the Bouts have on the Mission? In Bangladesh cur­ rently:

WHAT YOU CAN DO TO HELP: Notre Dame is truly a “caring place;” and here’s another chance for you to give and to make an impact.

1. Participate! Stop by the boxing room and learn more about the men’s and women’s pro­ gram.

2. Buy a ticket to the Bouts (February 23, 26 and 27) for $15, $20, or $25! Help raise funds for these talented champions.

3. Help sell tickets.

4. Take out an ad for your dorm, your club, your summer employer, or your dad’s company.

5. Give money. Make an investment/contribu­ tion to the Bengal Bouts. (reflected by everyone else) . . . and person, and see what the program is all about.

One of Notre Dame’s most revered teachers, Father Maloney (1900-1984), is often quoted saying, “. . . blood on the bricks.”

Now, the occasional “blood on the canvas helps the ‘strong bodies’ of today become the ‘weak’ tomorrow.”

Collectively, this year’s group of boxers have done over one million push-ups (in 40 days), two million sit-ups; and three million jumping jacks (in 40 days) to prepare themselves for the Bouts . . . and help the Missions. Come out and do your part.

Jeremy Welsh

During this upcoming weekend, 23 architecture firms from around the country will be arriving at Notre Dame to give presentations of their work to interview both graduating seniors as well as underclass­ men looking for internships. Last year, nine firms came. This career symposium has been organized solely by stu­ dents, most specifically Notre Dame’s chapter of the American Institute of Architecture Students, in order to help place Notre Dame graduates at firms throughout the nation.

Although a majority of the firms employ Notre Dame graduates, that is not the only reason why they are paying the University a visit.

Notre Dame graduates are being sought out by firms for their ability and knowledge — skills in drafting, perspective and watercolor render­ ing, sketching, and knowledge of proportion, sustainability and construction, and the importance of precedent.

Although the firms that are coming this upcoming weekend are all from the United States, Notre Dame graduates have been employed by firms in England and France and have found work in a number in London. Graduates have also been employed by the prestigious Prince of Wales Institute in England as instructors.

In our own country, alumni are employed coast to coast, from San Francisco to New York City. Two graduates even have been involved with the designing and construc­ tion of the new bookstores and visitors’ center with The SU/LAM Collaborative, a firm from Connecticut.

Much of the success of recent graduates can be attrib­ uted to the quality of education that is being taught at the University. This education, as you may know, is centered around traditional architecture, specifically Western clas­ sicism. Notre Dame first began to focus on this architec­ ture nine years ago, when Professor Thomas Gordon Smith became chairman. The 1997-98 school year is the last year for Chairman Smith’s term. I trust that the University will realize the importance of the education we are receiving here in Bond Hall and will strive to choose a new chairman to carry on this tradition.

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Welcome To The Lenten Season

By NORA MEANY
Saint Mary's Accent Editor

I noticed an interesting shift in the campus populations between Notre Dame and Saint Mary’s in the past week. Massive caravans of students headed out of town for a weekend of crowded parking lots and room-sharing debauchery in New Orleans. In the absence of Bridget’s, it is easy to see why such a release is needed. However, one must question the motivation for such a mass exodus from the grey of South Bend, to the grey and beastly South Carolina. Never was time upon us.

And now, as many green-faced students head back home, the aftermath must be dealt with as well. The party is over. Fat Tuesday has passed. The Saints are not the Catholics of the entitled then concide with the ghosts of their faith in this, the holiest time

It’s Lent. Can you smell the repentance in the air? 

It’s easy to find the telltale signs of the Easter season on the campus, if you know where and when to look. On Friday, you will notice the absence of your usual Friday lunch. Ash Wednesday takes it that, replaced by fish and every cheese-based item imaginable. The bar mitzvah in the salar bar, I’m told don’t not even escape the eager eye of the hungry pleasers paid to protest and hide when they see Valerie because our souls. For one day a week, the shadow of the fast falls upon both cam­

Not to confuse you, but this is another day of fasting on campus. So if you are in the dining hall, you may want to take a quick peek around to prepare for what is in store for the next few days of lent. As Wednesday is a cycle of once a week until Holy Thursday, so I won’t crow your head with premature information.

By ARWE Dickey
Wednesday Night Television Correspondent

D avid’s song is played on the radio. Noah and Davids are coming on and Noah gets mad when Davids makes a joke that he doesn’t want to listen. Davids calls Dina, who will go to the Dark and see Valerie is not feeling well. He takes her to the hospital and sees that she is given an accepted substance for the 100 days (chocolate, pizza, cigarettes, alcohol) are reasonable enough to further a conversation with.

"What are you giving up for Lent?" is to an extent a catchphrase, to cut the endless questions of said individual by how they respond, but their social, hygienic and economic habits as well. For example, if person one answers the questions by telling you that they are giving up an accepted substance for the 40 days (chocolate, pizza, cigarettes, alcohol) are reason-

Charlie asks Kirstie to take Claudia and Owen if he dies because Julia and Bailey are too young to be ultimately in charge. Julia and Bailey get upset at this. Kirstie talks to Paul about taking the kids but he says he doesn’t want children of his own and won’t agree to caring for Claudia and Owen. The Salinger home is a total wreck. The secretary from Claudia’s school left messages about Claudia missing school the last week of school. Charlie can’t because Julia works too many jobs. He takes Claudia and Owen with him, Bailey, Julia and Kirstie go to Child Protective Services where they are told that it needs to be determined if Claudia and Owen are getting proper care and they visit town with Kirstie. Charlie is very upset and wants to go to Child Protective Services but he is still in the hospital and running a fever. Charlie yells at Julia and Bailey and says that they can’t even handle the kids for two weeks.

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BLOOMINGTON, Ind. — At least Bob Knight didn’t have to stick around to see the finish.

Kevin Turner, Jarrod Gee and Matt Heldman each scored 16 points Tuesday night as No. 22 Illinois beat Indiana 82-72, giving the Hoosiers a second straight double-digit loss for the first time in eight years.

Knight was ejected in the second half after picking up his second and third technical fouls of the game and later called the officiating “the greatest travesty” he had ever seen as a coach. Illinois (21-8, 13-3 Big Ten) can tie Michigan State for the conference regular-season championship if Purdue beats Indiana (18-9, 9-6), whose greatest Hoosiers a second straight season, trailed 8-3 with four turnovers in the first four minutes. The Illini caught the Spartans on the same possession after a flagrant foul.

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Team off to a slow start

By JASON DEANGELIS and
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Sports Writers

The Notre Dame softball team is entering a season on a rough note this past weekend losing four of five games in the Gladstones Tournament in Tampa, Fla. On Friday night, the Irish fell to the host Bulls of South Florida, 3-1. The 10th-ranked Bulls paved their way to victory with a three-run, third-file inning that knocked starting Irish pitcher Angela Bessolo out of the contest. The Irish attempted a late comeback, scoring a run in the ninth, but in the end fell short.

However, the night was not a complete loss as the squad posted a 7-2 upset victory over ninth-ranked Florida State. The Irish capitalized on two JASON Bascom errors in the contest. —•

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Pitcher Angela Bessolo took the loss on the mound, and is expected to have the record and she went down with 9:48 left in the victory over Notre Dame.

She was honored in a senior ceremony before the game and the win clinched the Big East regular-season title for the Huskies.

Sales is expected to have surgery on her right foot sometime next week. Team doctors said normal recovery is from four to six months.

As a freshman, Sales played on the team that finished 33-5 and won the national championship with a 70-64 win over Tennessee.

In every year since, the Huskies have been in the top five regular-season champs and played in the NCAA tournament, reaching the Final Four again her sophomore year and losing last year in the regional finals.

Sales becomes UConn's all-time leading scorer

Associated Press

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Nykesha Sales limped into Connecticut's record book.

The senior forward for the 24th-ranked Huskies saw her career Saturday when she surpassed her Achilles' tendon against Notre Dame.

But on Tuesday night, she was allowed to score against Villanova and those two points moved her past Kerry Bascom into first place on the school's career scoring list.

In a deal pre-arranged by the coaches, Sales, who was wearing a brace from her foot to just under her knee, was able to score off the game's opening tap when Villanova lined all five of its players in its offensive end of the floor.

After Sales scored the 2,177th and 2,178th points of her career, she was met by her teammates at midcourt, while receiving a standing ovation from the crowd.

Connecticut called a timeout to get Sales out of the game and when the timeout ended, the Irish were given the ball to drive in some runs for the loss in the bottom frame.

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Dan Toolan is a senior English major from River Forest, Illinois and currently resides off-campus. Dan has been involved in a number of RecSports activities during his time here at Notre Dame. He has been a four year captain of the Men's Water Polo club and led his team to a 14-1 record in the Midwest Division this past fall. He was also recognized for his individual accomplishments by being named to the Midwest Division first team all-conference unit. Dan has run the Inntertube Water Polo tournament for Late Night Olympics and has officiated Co-Rec Inntertube Water Polo for the last three years. Currently, Dan is training for his first year of competition for the Notre Dame Bengal Bouts.

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The Golden State Warriors became the first Western Conference team to win at Madison Square Garden this season, stunning the New York Knicks 87-82 Tuesday night. It was just the fourth road win and 12th victory overall for the Warriors, who got a good bounce for a key offensive rebound with 15 seconds left after receiving an amazing shot from Muggsy Bogues with 90 seconds left. Bogues, with the shot clock running out, hit a lunging, off-balance left-handed hook shot from 14 feet away to give Golden State a 83-78 lead.

After the Knicks pulled within three, Donyell Marshall missed a 22-footer as the shot clock wound down. But the ball bounced into the corner and was retrieved by Clarence Weatherspoon, setting up two free throws by Bogues that clinched it with 12.7 seconds left.

Marshall had 19 points and 12 rebounds to lead the Warriors, who entered the game 0-8 on the road against Eastern Conference teams. Allan Houston scored 25 for New York, which had won all seven of its previous home games against teams from the West.

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lie more in practice everyday and Wednesday I’m going to see some minutes to just more or less to get my feet wet,” Friel said.
Friel’s absence has been sustained due to complications with the thigh injury that caused swelling to spread to his knee.
Notre Dame has been desperately lacking an offensive spark the last several weeks as Naismith Award finalist Pat Garrity has been forced to carry the load.
“Jiopefully Garrity has some kind of spark on offense,” Friel said.
“Hopefully we’ve been able to get over the edge offensively. We know we have to win these last couple of games.
A factor that could be in their favor is that these two games are more important to the Irish than they are to Georgetown or Providence. But the outcome of these games, and the season will rest on the shoulders of Garrity’s supporting cast of Antoni Wyche, Phil Hickey, and Martin Lagedus.
“Offensively everyone seems to have been hesitant and that has been a problem this whole month,” Friel said. “We need to have some guys stepping up otherwise games will be ending up like we have been; los-
ing a lot of close games and that just doesn’t get it done. I think we all know that and we’re just looking for that guy to step up on a consistent basis and hopefully get us over the top so we can get these wins.”
Last season the Blue and Gold found themselves in a similar predicament as they earned a NIT bid with a 14-13 record after the Big East Tournament. But the squad will have to play like it did in January when the Irish knocked off three NCAA Tournament teams.
“Hopefully we can get that chemistry going like we had in January and move it into the Big East Tournament,” Friel said.
“We feel like anything can happen, we’ve already proven that. We won in probably the toughest environment in the conference and at the tourna-
ment it’s going to be no different from that and we feel we’re capable of pulling off anything.”

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A year ago, both Ryan Rans and Lucas Molina ended up on the losing end of their championship fights. Rans fell to three-time champion John Christoforetti in the 165-pound division, while Molina was knocked off by two-time winner Tommy Will. This year, the two hope to avenge last year’s defeats.

After finishing runner-up to Will a year ago, Molina (front) appears to be on a crash course to face Will again in the finals.

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"I feel some pressure to win this year, but over the years I feel that I have matured a lot as far as my outlook," Molina commented. "I would love to win, but if I don’t, looking back at the experience, the camaraderie, and just knowing that I was part of the tradition will definitely be enough for me."

Rans brings his own unique talents and personality to the club. He serves as Bengal Bout president, and his fellow boxers recognize his importance.

"Ryan brings leadership and a whole lot of organization to the club," Molina said. "He does a lot of the paperwork, and without him, the advertisement and ticket sales would not have been nearly as successful."

Rans, like Molina, was introduced to boxing before he arrived at Notre Dame. Living in nearby Granger, he got to see the fights and all that surrounds the Bouts.

"I lived nearby during high school, and was able to see the fights then," Rans commented. "As soon as I got here and got involved with the program, I loved it. I was unable to compete freshman year, but I have competed every year since."

During his freshman year, he ruptured his spleen and the surgery kept him out of the tournament. Sophomore year he lost to past champion Chris Sikora and last year he was defeated by the legendary John Christoforetti in the finals.

Rans recognizes Christoforetti along with other boxers he has met through the club as his inspiration.

"Christoforetti and Jeff Goddard have really helped me over the past few years," Rans said. "They are the kind of guys you meet and think ‘wow’. They are both amazing individuals and tremendous boxers."

Rans realizes that he has shortcomings as a fighter, but his hard work and dedication more than make up for these shortcomings. He, like Molina, shows up two hours before each practice to get in shape and fine tune his technique.

These skills will be put to the test this year. In his next fight, he faces Rob Alter. It will be a tough fight, but Rans hopes to return to the finals.

Rans and Molina truly epitomize the spirit behind Bengal Bouts. One could even argue that with the dedication they put forth every day, they fit the mold for a modern-day Jedi knight.

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**BENGAL BOUTS**

By BETSY BAKER  
Assistant Sports Editor

The number of fighters is getting smaller while the intensity is growing as the semifinals of the 68th annual Bengal Bouts are set to take place tonight on Monday night, but that change appears inevitable as the action intensifies tonight.

In the 125-pound class, sophomore Patrick O'Shaughnessy is looking to upset top-seeded Matt Peacock in one of the semifinals, as Brian Riggs will battle David Frick in the other. O'Shaughnessy was the only fighting action in the 125-pound class on Monday, as he defeated Nicolas Schnabel with a unanimous decision. O'Shaughnessy has his work cut out for him against the left-handed Peacock, but he hopes his height advantage will provide a more balanced fight. "He's a lefthander, so it's going to be something I haven't faced, and I have the longer reach," O'Shaughnessy said. "I'm going to have to look out for him getting close to my body and throwing a lot of punches inside."

The first-year fighter also knows the challenge he has going up against the more experienced Peacock, but maintains a good attitude about stepping into the ring in the semis. "To me, it's a victory to just get in the ring," O'Shaughnessy explained. "I'm happy with my performance on Monday, so I'm just hoping to get in and have another good fight."

In the 130-pound division, No. 1 seed David "the prancing pixie" Seerweld is taking a bit more of a flippant approach against his opponent, freshman Matt Altman. The 5'11" 130-pounder, whose name indicates Seerweld commented of his strategy, will be on for prancing and sprinkling pixie dust all over the ring. I'm going to enter the ring with a smile on my face and music in my heart."

While Seerweld's approach remains unique as always for a fighter, a better fighting strategy could give him the extra edge needed to make it to the finals. "The wimper my nickname will help tonight, so I figure I'm a shoe-in," Seerweld said.

Still, Altman looked tenacious in his first fight against Daniel Ghiglios on Monday, using a relentless jaw to gain him a split decision. In the other 130-pound semifinal, Martin Garry will look to upset the No. 2 seed Jeremy Leathaboy. The 135-pound semifinal will determine whether or not the crowd will get to see one of the most highly-anticipated fights of the quarterfinals - Tommy Will against Lucas Molina or whether underdog Cameron Rueda and Matthew McBurney can put a wrench in that plan.

Rueda will face reigning champion Tommy Will, while McBurney will go against Lucas Molina. Both Rueda and McBurney have been highly touted by their returning finalist opponents, but don't expect Will or Molina to take for granted the potential match ahead of them. The one advantage that Rueda and McBurney boast in a match under their belts, as both have multiple quarterfinals on unanimous decision.

The 140-pound division will be represented by a member of each class as each member brings an element of either height, youth, strength, speed or experience to his fight. The first semifinal in the class will be youth versus experience with a little strength and speed from both sides as freshman Mike Valle takes on senior captain Sean Sharpe. Valle defeated junior Sean Perkins in one of the bloodiest fights of the quarterfinals as the two went at each other's jaws for three straight rounds. Valle can count on the fact that the experienced Sharpe will keep himself better protected against the ambitious rookie, presenting the possibility of a more defensive effort.

"Basically, I was pretty sore today," Valle said Tuesday after his quarterfinal victory. "I'm going to have to take care of business tonight. "Sharpe's a little taller than me, so his reach is good, and I'm going to have to stick to basics and stay in control.

Valle is happy to be fighting in the semifinals, especially against a seasoned fighter like Sharpe, but isn't taking anything for granted."I was just glad to get through the first fight, but at the same time it's still semantics, and I don't want to waste the opportunity."

"I don't want to look back and regret not doing something, or wishing I had done something differently."

In the other 140-pound semi, junior Tom Cronley will take on sophomore Mike McGuire.

**125 to 140-Pound weight classes**

**Intensities builds for tonight's semifinals**

By MIKE DAY  
Sports Editor

"The fun is over. Now it's time to get down to business," said Capt. Sean Sharpe in the quarterfinals, everyone is just trying to get used to fighting before an audience, and sometimes you have to try to work the kicks out. In the semifinals, you have to come out and stay focused. There's a big difference in intensity level."

The 145-pound class will pit top-seed J.R. Melvin against No. 5 Dave Bann, while No. 3 Dennis Joyce will take on No. 2 seed Dave Murphy. In the highly competitive division, it's anybody's guess as to who will advance to Friday's finals. "I think everyone left has a good chance of moving on to the finals," said Murphy. "I just have to go out and fight my kind of fight. That involves taking advantage of my height and jab. If I do that, I should have a good shot at making the finals." Although top seeds Fred Kelly and Stefan Molina appear to be on a collision course to meet in Friday's finals, they will first face his non-outrageous opponent, second-seed Jeevan Subbiah. "It's a good fight, and it's a battle for the No. 4 seed," Kelly said.

In the 155-pound division, No. 1 seed Mike O'Shaughnessy will go against No. 4 seed Camilo Rueda. "I was pretty sore last year, I mean I can't afford to turn anything for granted," said Kelly.

"I've been going through the first fight, but at the same time it's still semantics, and I don't want to waste the opportunity."

"I don't want to look back and regret not doing something, or wishing I had done something differently."

"The two of us are Friends and training partners, so it's kind of an interesting situation," said Cardona. "It will be kind of different going up against a guy I know so well and am friends with."

But we understand that it's nothing personal and it's all in the spirit of Bengal Bouts."
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**160 to 170-Pound Weight Classes**

Remaining boxers work on making adjustments

By KATHERLENE LOPEZ
Assistant Sports Editor

Adaptation could be the crucial element in the semi-finals of Bengal Bouts. The ability of boxers to change their game plan is necessary in order to combat their next opponents and secure a spot in the finals.

Junior John DeSplinter will face a controlled and dominant fighter in sophomore Tom Biolchini.

"I have to throw better jabs against Tom (Biolchini)," DeSplinter said. "He is a better fighter and he is good. He knows what he is doing because he's got two older brothers who have taught him. I have to fight my own fight and not worry what he is going to do. I have to just try and do it on my own.

This fight could prove to be one of the best in the semi-finals. DeSplinter and Biolchini match up well, with neither having the clear cut height or reach advantage. If anything, the advantage should lean somewhat toward Biolchini who looked more dominant in his opening fight.

"I need to stay a little more controlled," Biolchini remarked about his goals for the semifinals. "Next time, I need to throw more combinations." 

The other fight in the 160-pound class will pit top-seeded and defending champion Chip Farrell against sophomore Timothy DeFors. Farrell characterizes himself as a jab fighter and will rely heavily on his fundamentals and techniques to prepare for the finals.

"If you don't have the fundamentals and techniques to prepare for your opponent, you're not going to do too well," Farrell said.

"I have to just try and do it on my own." 

Junior Brian Gaffney's, senior Norm Bezonska's fight was called early in the first. His short fight might leave him a little unprepared for his semifinal bout.

"It is kind of bad that I am not getting my full thing in because I can't test my endurance," Bezonska commented. "I am not sure how this problem is going to be but I guess we will see on Wednesday.

Bezonska will face Travis Alexander in one of the semi-final bouts of the 170-pound weight class.

"I saw Alexander, he had the upset over Leis," Bezonska said. "It looks like Alexander is kind of a brawler so I am going to have to focus on a guy like that.

He (Bezonska) is a good fighter and he has experience," Alexander said. "He is aggressive so I have to be as aggressive as he is.

The first-year fighter says that his semifinal appearance is somewhat surprising. "It is a good feeling but I have improved a lot since I started but I still have lots to learn," he said.

"I basically have to go out there and do the same thing," Farrell said. "If he doesn't just that it will be tough for Demors to stop Farrell in his pursuit of his second consecutive title.

In the other 180-pound semifinal, Joey Leniski faced Tommy Prince who has earned the right to take on sixth-seed Richard Molloy in the finals.

"I feel really nervous," the Mike Romanchek on the ropes. The fight will show who those expended all their energy to get to the semi and those who reserved enough to take them to the title.

**175 to Heavyweight Classes**

Favorites face tougher path to finals

By ALLISON KRILLA

With the initial nervousness gone, boxers in tonight's semi-final bouts face tough roads to the championships.

Joining the quarterfinal victors in the ring tonight are the bout's most talented fighters, many of whom received first-round byes as the top seeds in their respective weight classes.

In the heavyweight division, three boxers will make their 1998 Bengal Bouts debut tonight. With the lack of heavyweight fighters, Dave Monahan, Mike Romero and Peter Ryan take to the ring after quarterfinal defeats.

All eyes will be on Ryan, a freshman who received the No. 2 seed in the weight class. "I am a little bit nervous," Ryan said. "And I feel really lucky to have gotten the No. 2 seed with a good fighter, like Romero in the class.

I fought the novice (tournament) and did well, but I've only sparred three times," commented Ryan.

In the 185-pound class, top seeds Dave Butz and Andy Hebert prepare for the hard-hitting Matt Lubbers, whose 16 second TKO was the fastest fight of the quarterfinals, and Tim Neagle, who overcame Matthew Pfeffer. "I feel great this year," said Butz. "Last year I pretty much just showed up. I didn't really do any of the workouts either. Everybody has a chance to win, but I feel that I'm in a good position because I've been training hard."

Look for a more controlled fight from Butz tonight, in contrast to the brawler who appeared one year ago. Perhaps the highlight of the heavier weight classes will be the Mike Romanchek vs. Kyle Smith bout at 180 pounds.

Romanchek lost a tough fight from Butz tonight, in the other 180-pound semifinal. Joey Leniski needs the crowd on his side to withstand an onslaught from Dave Prince, whose technique and stamina can wreak havoc in an intense fight.

Brian Gaffney is the favorite in the 175-pound weight class, but his quickness will be tested against Keith Paredo, who pummeled Jeffery Welsh's performance. The senior will now face another freshman, Josh Thompson.

Energy will be the key for the fighters with the new format. Tonight's fight will show those who expended all their energy to get to the semi and those who reserved enough to take them to the title.
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charity stripe in the second
half, and completed their last
11 attempts.

"I thought that was the
biggest win of the season for
us," McGraw remarked. "It
was a game we absolutely had
to have, and it was a challenge
for us to step up."

Notre Dame was led by
Hiley, who finished with her
ninth double-double of the
season and 22 points. Two
other players, McMillen and
Ivey, also scored in double fig­
ures with 16 and 15 points
respectively.

"Ruth had an outstanding
performance," McGraw said about
Riley's performance. "Coming
in as a freshman in the biggest
game of the year, and she just
played extremely well. You
just can't ask more from a
freshman than that."

On the other end of the
court, with the loss, Rutgers' 10-game winning streak comes
to a halt along with their regu­
lar season. However, despite
the loss, which places them at
14-3 in conference play and
18-8 overall, the Knights still
clinch the Big East 7 division
title, giving them the No. 2
seed and a first-round bye in
the conference tournament,
set to be played this weekend.

They were led by freshman
guard Natasha
Pointer,
tallied 21 points and played in
all 40 minutes of the game.
She was supported by sopho­
mores guard Shawnetta
Stewart, who came just short
of a double-double with 17
points and 9 rebounds.

With the win, Notre Dame
improves to 18-8 on the sea­
son and 12-6 in conference
play. With the end of the reg­
ular season, the stage is set for
this weekend's Big East tour­
nament, which will be hosted
by Rutgers in the Brown
Athletic Center. However, for
now, McGraw will relish the
final victory on the Joyce
Center court.

"I wanted this one bad, espe­
cially after how we played
them at Rutgers earlier. They
were talking a lot of smack,
and we came out there and
held our own. There was no
way they were going to beat us
here tonight. No way."

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**Women’s Basketball**

**Must win situation for Irish**

**ND battles Hoyas with NIT bid on the line**

By JOE CAVATO
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The game started out sluggish, with both teams using their defenses to battle it out for the lead. At first, it was the visitors who were taking advantage of their opponents’ mistakes, forcing 14 ND turnovers in the first half. However, in most other categories, the Irish held their own. With relatively few chances to go to the free throw line, and tenacious perimeter defense blocking the Irish at every opportunity, it was up to center Ruth Riley to carry the brunt of the team’s offensive power. The freshman lived up to her billing, scoring nine straight points for the Irish to give them an early five point lead. However, the Irish headed into the locker room with a 22-24 deficit.

“We were just trying to figure out what it was we were doing wrong defensively and fix it,” senior guard Mollie Peirick said. “We had to make better shots in the locker room.” Also, we were just trying to come out fired up in the second half, and just take it away from them.

In the second half, the Irish came out strong, scoring the first nine points of the half. The Knights, after being held to a three-minute drought, managed to tie the game and threatened to overtake the Irish at every opportunity.

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