Passing the buck

Affording college tuition may be important to Notre Dame and Saint Mary’s students, but the issue is also important in the 2000 presidential campaign

By COLLEEN MCCARTHY
Associate News Editor

The high price tags that go along with a college education are a concern for many American families. It’s only natural then that the issue of how to pay for higher education and to make it more affordable has become an issue in the presidential election.

Republic jan
candidate George W. Bush and Democratic candidate Al Gore are going against their Party’s traditional stance on the issue with Bush focusing his proposals for college tuition aid at the poor and Gore targeting the middle class. Regardless of who the candidates are casing their plans to, the question that remains is will those who need aid most benefit from these plans.

Gore’s plan would allow people paying for college to deduct $10,000 a year in tuition from their taxable income or take a $2,800 tax credit.

The plan would primarily help middle class families earning between $40,000 to $120,000. Families earning...

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BOT reviews alcohol policy

By MEG DADAY
News Writer

While some students may have been planning a weekend of alcohol con-
sumption, the Board of Trustees met with student representatives on Thursday to discuss the University's alcohol policy.

Students Jay Smith, Susan Roberts and Mike Hein met with two commit-
tees of the Board of Trustees and 12 members of student government to discuss alcohol use at Notre Dame.

"After talking with the administra-
tion, we decided it would be advanta-
guous to talk about alcohol, which was what the trustees wanted," said Smith, student government chief of staff.

Although other issues were dis-
cussed, the main focus of the report was alcohol.

“Our main objective was putting a student perspective on the alcohol pol-
cy and alcohol use since we knew they would be talking about it in the morn-
ing," Roberts said.

“We did our homework,” said Smith, describing how the student committee prepared for the presentation. They

met with various offices and admin-
istrators, including Father Mark Pouman, the Office of Student Activities, the Office of Residence Life, the Office of Drug and Alcohol Awareness.

“We wanted to get a feeling for what administrators’ perspectives are on student drinking and compare them with our own thoughts,” Smith said. The Board of Trustees committee sponsored student focus groups to determine students’ impressions of the alcohol policy, Roberts added.

“We asked students whether it’s fair or not and any ways they might want it to be changed. We also asked them to outline the policy,” said Roberts. She said the informal meetings were “discussion based” and they tried to vary the types of students they interviewed.

“We met with freshmen and talked about their experiences with alcohol thus far and (residential assistants) about inconsistencies between dorms,” she said.

When the presentation was deliv-
ered, the group said the preparation was worthwhile.

“My impression was that they react-

Board gives students a voice

By AMY GREENE
News Writer

Saint Mary’s student gov-
ernment has expanded this year with the addition of the Student Diversity Board.

The board was initiated in the last year when students voiced concerns that certain students are being underrep-
resented, such as ethnic minority students, women with different religious back-
grounds and sexual orienta-
tion and handicapped stu-
dents. The result was a 23-
member board under the guidance of president Akmaral Omarova.

The board includes a wide spectrum of representatives including LaFuerza, Peacemakers, Campus Ministry, Environmental Coalition and Disability Awareness.

“It’s important to under-
stand we’re all different and have different cultures within...

Akmaral Omarova
diversity board president

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INSIDE COLUMN

Rainbows for all God’s children

Do you reach out to those who are in need of support? Do you rally to show support for those whom you could not and should not be acknowledged?

Chances are many of you would — and therefore, you also consider yourselves to be good Christians.

Now, ask yourself this: would you attend a march in support of a homosexual friend? Would you rally for the rights of a bisexual coworker?

Would you take the time to minister to someone who was seriously questioning his or her own sexuality, you will be able to wear a rainbow ribbon or would you be too afraid — thinking that someone might associate you with the cause?

Now ask yourself the original question again. In your daily living, are you sharing a message of Christian love?

Too often, I witness fear overpower a person’s reaction. Fear so powerful it can silence even the most outspoken individuals — even when they are around people whom they feel comfortable with.

There are also those who are homophobic and believe homosexuality will never have an impact on their personal lives. Also, there are people who state that the Catholic Church, as stated that homosexuality is wrong. To those few, you are hiding. But what are you afraid of?

I hardly think Jesus would rip off a ribbon representing support of another human, or point fingers and laugh at someone whose view was different than his own. God loves everyone — black, white or rainbow. I don’t think Jesus would ever remember about us as others poked fun.

Chances are you sit by someone in class who is struggling with their sexuality. Chances are you live in the same hall as someone who is gay. Chances are one of your friends is too. Ask yourself: would you treat that person any differently if they were to reveal their orientation with you?

Careful listening and helping people who are facing decisions regarding their sexuality, you will be able to understand the hope and power of understanding and compassion. You can admire the courage of many brave individuals as they deal with something very difficult to overcome.

Happy National Coming Out Day. To those finding the courage to speak for the first time, I wish you the best; you will be in my prayers. For those other friends in support — I will pray for you as well.

And, to those who wear a cross around your neck — will you back that up with a Rainbow?

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

IN MICHIGAN

Michigan State students protest Columbus Day

"genocide and acculturation" of millions of Native Americans.

Those who attended the gathering at the rock listened to various speakers throughout the night. Stoney Polman, a psychiatric and brain injury specialist for the Resource Center for Persons with Disabilities, described her experience of being a Native American in the military.

Polman also addressed Native American students by stressing the importance of looking at history critically and using information to benefit future generations.

We were supposed to fade away, but thanks to you, we’re still here," she said. "You have a responsibility to education. Never let education take away from you. You’re here to gain, not to give up.

OUTSIDE THE DOME

comp Stock Exchange.

The University of Texas Men’s enrollment drops nationwide

AUSTIN

In the last two decades, women have gradually wrestled away a societal privilege once held solely by their male counterparts: college classroom space. A recent annual meeting of the National Association for College Admission Counseling, academic officials analyzed a nationwide trend resulting in more women attending U.S. universities than men.

Although women’s college enrollment is on the rise, officials attribute the dramatic trend to a drop in men’s enrollment. Nationally, less than 45 percent of undergraduates are men, with one of the most significant gaps in enrollment resulting. Nationally, less than 45 percent of undergraduates are men, down from about 57 percent in 1970. In 1997, the last year for which data is available, about 20 percent more women earned bachelor’s degrees than men, according to a report by the Center for the Study of Opportunity in Higher Education. Utah is the only state with more men than women attending college. "I’m really troubled by this," said Thomas Mortenson, in a statement. He added that the trend is partly due to male disengagement from family life, making male students less concerned with earning enough money to support a family.
Campaign surpasses expectations

By NATASHA GRANT
News Writer

The Generations campaign at Notre Dame has set a record-breaking pace since its start six years ago in 1994. Daniel Reagan, Executive Officer of Development along with William Sexton, Vice President of University Relations, are in charge of the campaign and dismiss rumors about billions of extra dollars being raised.

The campaign began internally but was not made public until three years later in September 1997 and is set to run until December 2000. The campaign has a set of targets which were based upon the campaign's success, there is no extra money. "It is a tremendous success not only in terms of the money figure but also the specific goal that the campaign has been able to realize," said University President Father Edward Malloy who organized the campaign.

"When people give money, they specify where they want their money to be used. The highest priority has been financial aid for undergraduate students, graduate students, and funds for endowed professors," Malloy said. Reagan said that although organizers have made great improvements where this is concerned, they are still unsatisfied.

"Most recently financial aid improved the point where all demonstrated need of students is being met," Reagan said. "What we want to eliminate now would be the need for loans, so that is our next goal in terms of financial aid fund raising."

This far, members of the Notre Dame community, directly and indirectly, have played a key role in the campaign's success. "Our alumni, Notre Dame parents, our Notre Dame friends answer the call each and every time the University embarks on a capital campaign," Reagan said.

Reagan also attributed the success to "clarity of vision" saying, "This loyalty would be much harder to keep if there were not a clear vision and a true desire to continuously improve the University," he said.

Reagan said he never doubted they could reach the original goal, but they just wanted to strive for more and now that they had achieved it, they must go forward. "There's no question that the fund raising at Notre Dame cannot stand still. It must continue to improve for the sake of the University's progress," he said.

"Notre Dame has enjoyed a tremendous show of loyalty over the years from its alumni," Reagan added. "There is certainly a growing percentage in number of alumni who are supporting the University through estate and planned gifts as well."

Judicial council given more cases, responsibility

By MYRA McGRIFF
News Writer

At the beginning of fall semester, Saint Mary's disciplinary committee allowed the student-run judicial board to hear more violation cases.

The new procedure sends students who have violated fire safety, noise or violation rules to the judicial board. Six students and two co-chairs sit on the committee, deciding the sanction of students found in violation.

The meetings between the committee and students are designed to let the students present their case and for the board to vote on a sanction. What each student must do is decided by the judicial board.

"We are really focused on educational sanctions. We as students know what will make us learn. The most popular sanctions are papers based on research," said Shelly Ameruzik, co-chair of the judicial board.

The new procedure was set up to free hall directors from hearings and paper work.

"I am able to handle more in hall situations that residents are having and work better with my resident assistants," said Sara Scalzo, hall director for Lemans Hall.

In connection with Saint Mary's new no smoking policy, most of the cases going before the judicial board are fire safety violations.

"We are in the process of getting a board up and running. Although the judicial board is composed of all students, some students may choose to appeal to have their case heard by a hall director. Residents feel that it won't be as private going before the judicial board, but it will. Everything is confidential," said Scalzo.

Some students agree with the new set up of the judicial board and see no problem presenting their case in front of a student comprised board.

"There are violations that are not complicated and that everybody is aware of," said Alson Leatherman, Saint Mary's sophomore.

Other students feel that as a small college we should look out for one another. "By establishing a productive student composed judicial board, they feel part of that objective is accomplished. "Because we live in a community we should be there to give guidance to others in our own community," said Julia Malczynski, Saint Mary's junior.

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ing over that amount would not be eligible for his pro-

grams.

Unlike Bush who wants to focus on low income fami-

lies, Gore, with his college savings accounts, targets

lower income families, would fund up to the maximum

$3,100 for the first year of college, instead of cutting in-

come tax breaks. Gore's plan figures in increasing the number of Pell

grants but doesn't figure the money to cover the grants into the budget.

Patrick Pierce, associate professor of political science at Saint Mary's, attributes

Gore's proposal to the movement Universal Tax Cuts, said Pierce.

"The program is the first of its kind," said Mary Pat Nolan, Saint Mary's admissions direc-

tor and member of the national committee. "Saint Mary's will have their own virtual

booth with multi-media chat rooms that allow students to

chat with financial aid advis-

ors, administrators, Saint Mary's students, on Oct. 19 and April

18, 2001, Saint Mary's will

appear at 10 online fairs. In

order for students to partici-

pate, they must register at

www.OnlineCollegeFair.com

and log in at the scheduled
time in order to enter the fair.

"I think that the most won-

derful aspect of this program is that students anywhere can

log in," said Nolan. "It's a way for them to get comfortable in

their own space. Students experience a better level when using a computer for

communication."

Some of the online fairs will be marketed to minority stu-

dents, students with special

needs and business and sci-

ence students.

"There is something for everyone," said Nolan.

Nolan says she hopes that the online college fairs will reach out to students no mat-
	er their location and provide Saint Mary's with greater flexi-

bility in communicating with prospective students.

"It is a wonderful opportuni-

ty for us to be exposed to stu-

dents everywhere. It doesn't

matter where we are. It expands opportunities for Saint Mary's as well as stu-

dents," said Nolan.

The electronic fairs will not replace actual visits with stu-

dents at college fairs or during campus visits according to Nolan.

"They don't want to lose the personal outreach. The elec-

tronic fairs will bring more interest to Saint Mary's camp-

us. This opportunity goes beyond anything we've done before," she said.

Saint Mary's aims to recruit online

By KATIE MILLER

This fall, Saint Mary's will join 180 colleges and universities across the nation in hosting the first Online College Fair program, which is sponsored by the National Association for College Admission Counseling.

The online college fairs implement a new technique in recruiting. Prospective students will be able to access the fairs by computer and interact with representatives from colleges and universities.

"This is the first of its kind," said Mary Pat Nolan, Saint Mary's admissions director and member of the national committee. "It will give students the opportunity to meet with admissions representatives from colleges and universities that they are interested in."

The students first proposed that there be funding for college or job educational savings accounts that would let students save $2,500 per year for college or job training. Bush's plan also includes allowing families to save $5,000 per year in tax-advantaged accounts for educational purposes.

Bush's plan, which focuses on funding Pell grants and giving merit based scholarships to students, is allowing Bush to distinguish himself from Gore.

"In contrast to Gore, Bush wants to distinguish college aid from income tax cuts," said Savage. "He doesn't want to mix higher education or any other benefits with tax cuts.

He goes back to his campaign message that 'this is your money and government shouldn't tell you what to do with it.'"

Bush's proposal is not going against political party type as much as Gore, said Pierce.

"Bush's proposal is staying with the plan a little but not nearly as much as Gore," said Pierce. "It does see both reflecting the mood of the ideological center of their party's but for higher educa-

tion it is a more denunciator of confusion. But it's not nearly as marked for Bush as Gore on this issue."

"Pell grants have come to have fairly widespread sup-

port among Republicans so Bush's plan to direct more funding for Pell grants is not out of character," said Pierce. "This is using the support of college aid to court middle class swing voters, higher education in itself is not a key issue in the campaign, said Savage.

"In the past, higher education is only a key issue as related to presidential campaign," said Savage. "In the 1960 election, John F. Kennedy wanted to emphasize higher education in itself. At this point, the focus is on increased opportunities for students in general. It's not key as a symbol for elementary and secondary education."

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**WORLD NEWS BRIEFS**

**Death taints Sri Lanka vote:** As Sri Lankans waited for the results of an election that could stop the 17-year civil war, they also grieved Tuesday for Sirimavo Bandaranaike, the matriarch of the nation's politics. Thousands grieved for Bandaranaike, 84, who died after casting her vote. Shellings by Tamil Tiger rebels, election-eve killings and the death of Bandaranaike, the world's first female prime minister and the mother of the current president cast a pall over the parliamentary elections.

U.N. says Israeli soldiers are safe: The United Nations is negotiating for the release of three Israeli soldiers captured by Lebanese guerrillas over the weekend. U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan said Tuesday, adding that he believed they were healthy.

**National News Briefs**

House names Guam time zone: The country's ninth time zone, sitting amid Guam and the Northern Mariana Islands, would be called Chamorro Standard Time under a bill passed by the House Tuesday. Since the first time zone bill was passed more than a year ago, various parts of the country have received names for their time zones. There is Eastern Standard Time, Central Standard Time, Mountain Standard Time and even Hawaii/Aleutians Standard Time. Guam is 14 hours ahead of Eastern Standard Time.

Congress seek oil export ban: Five congressmen from the Northeast called on President Clinton Tuesday to issue an executive order banning the export of heating oil, saying the fuel "should not be sent to Europe" when U.S. supplies are low. While statistics are scarce, there has been evidence that refineries stepped up exports of heating oil Tuesday.

**Indiana News Briefs**

Police arrest Elkhart gang: Nine heavily-armed Elkhart men who told police they intended to shoot members of a rival gang were arrested early Sunday in what police are calling an example of growing gang influence here. The men, ages 15 to 23, were armed with an assault rifle, three loaded handguns, 35 pounds of ammunition and various blunt weapons, said Goshen Detective Capt. Al Mackowiak. Police stopped the men because they had illegally-tinted windows and out-of-town license plates and were weaving on the city's side roads.

Thousands grieved for Bandaranaike, 84, who was the matriarch of the nation's politics. President Clinton was forced to call off the ceremony on the South Lawn by several members of the cabinet and about 50 Republican and Democratic lawmakers. The measure passed the House, 237-197 on May 24 after much arm-twisting by the White House. It easily passed the Senate, 83-15, on Sept. 19.

Not all Democrats agreed. "In case you've all forgotten, this thing was hard to pass," Clinton joked. "This was a lot of trouble." The measure establishes permanent trade relations with China. The United States had to scrap its annual review of China's trade privileges in order for U.S. exporters to gain the benefits of China's lower barriers. Labor, conservative groups and human rights campaigners argued that the annual review gave the United States a chance each year to pressure China on human rights, trade practices and weapons exports.

Clinton maintained that opening markets to U.S. goods and services and strengthening U.S.-China relations would ease the way toward economic freedom for China's more than 1 billion people. The bill still drew controversy Tuesday as Clinton signed.

**Pin forces shuttle launch delay**

Associated Press

CAPE CANAVERAL - NASA was forced to call off Tuesday night's planned launch of space shuttle Discovery because of a small metal pin found on a fuel line a few hours before liftoff.

The 4-inch pin was discovered after the seven astronauts had boarded Discovery and countdown was underway for NASA's 109th space shuttle launch. Workers conducting a routine inspection of the shuttle spotted the pin on the liquid-oxygen line between Discovery and its external fuel tank.

Engineers feared the pin could blow into Discovery during liftoff and possibly damage the shuttle.

"We just can't get comfortable with the pin," said launch director Mike Leinbach. He said another launch attempt would be made Wednesday evening — provided the pin can be removed by then.

It will be the fourth launch attempt in less than a week. The previous delays were caused by gusty wind and mechanical problems.

The pin, apparently a piece of ground-support equipment, weighs about 8 ounces, has a 3-inch handle across the top, and is attached to a 10-inch cord, said launch commentator Joel Wells.

NASA considered sending out a team to try to remove the pin, but did not have tools long enough to reach it, Wells said. Managers discussed the possibility of dislodging the pin with streams of water or air, but to no avail.

NASA must launch Discovery with two new segments for the space station, and the pieces must be installed before the outpost can be occupied full-time.
Professors: candidates’ tuition plans may not work

By COLLEEN MCDONALD
Associate News Editor

Questions have been raised as to whether the plans for helping families pay for college put forth by presidential candidates Al Gore and George W. Bush will really benefit those who need the aid most.

At the heart of his plan, Gore’s plan targets middle class families. His plan would allow people paying for college to deduct $10,000 a year in tuition from their taxable income or take a $40,000 tax credit. The plan would primarily help middle class families earning between $40,000 to $120,000. Families earning over that amount would not be eligible for his proposed plan.

While Gore calls for increased Pell grants, he doesn’t allow for funding of the grants in his budget. Bush’s plan focuses on funding Pell grants and giving merit-based scholarships to students but some wonder how much funding would be left for the grants after his proposed increases in defense spending.

Mary Nucciarone, director of financial aid at Saint Mary’s, deals with families who will be affected by these proposals and questions whether those who need aid most will benefit from the candidates’ proposals.

“When you look strictly at income, it makes sense that Gore would target those earning between $40,000 to $120,000 because if your objective is to target middle class families, those figures are high but if you ask people making, for example, $100,000 a year, they consider and see themselves as being middle income,” said Nucciarone.

At Saint Mary’s, based on 1,035 students (95 percent of the student body) who filed for financial aid this year, the median income in those students’ families was $68,900.

“If you are focusing on those families of Saint Mary’s students, those families would certainly fall in the group that Gore is talking about targeting in his proposal,” said Nucciarone. In many cases, tuition credits that the government now provides does not benefit lower income families because the credit can’t produce a refund for them based on their income so they don’t benefit from the credit, said Nucciarone.

“The idea of a tax credit that Gore proposes is a nice idea but I’m not sure if in terms of the cost of private education it would do much to decrease the cost and make it more affordable to more people,” said Nucciarone.

Gore may be missing the mark of those who really need aid for college by not funding more Pell grants and instead targeting the middle class, said Nucciarone. More Pell grants would certainly be more beneficial,” said Nucciarone. That would affect and help nearly 200 Saint Mary’s students. It would also give us [Saint Mary’s] relief on our institutional budget to direct that money that would have gone to students receiving the Pell grants to other students who don’t qualify for Pell grants.

Nucciarone was skeptical of the $1.5 billion in merit-based scholarships proposed by Bush.

“Aid programs tied to merit are not necessarily bad but they may not benefit those who truly need help,” said Nucciarone. Many times, merit-based scholarships are earned by students who attend more affluent schools or who are already getting scholarships from the college they have chosen to attend, said Nucciarone.

“As a matter of public policy, we need to ask if what we are trying to do through these proposals is to make education available to a wider range of students in terms of income or if the goal is to give more money to those who already have the means to go to college,” said Nucciarone.

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Jeb Bush: working hard for brother

Associated Press

Jeb Bush bristles at the notion that he hasn't campaigned hard enough for his brother, Republican presidential candidate George W. Bush.

"I'm busting my hump," the Florida governor said Tuesday. "I've raised a lot of money; I've campaigned when my brother has come in the state."

But he has also said he's got his own state to run. And that's something he has always clearly focused on more than the political aspects of his job, including campaigning.

Some Republicans, very quietly, have suggested that Jeb Bush has not done as much as many expected.

The responses he and his aides give boil down to people, time and money.

At least three of his staff members have signed on to work for the Bush presidential campaign in Florida, and the spokesman for the state lottery in the governor's administration, Leo DiBenigno, is working for George W. in Miami.

Jeb Bush campaigns whenever his brother or Republican running mate Dick Cheney are in the state — so far nine times since the Republican convention.

The governor said that just this week he also took personal time to go to Lakeland and Miami to campaign for his older brother. And he has gone outside Florida to campaign, too, especially during the primary season.

While the presidential campaign could not give a figure for how much money Jeb Bush had helped bring in, Florida — at about $5.6 million — is behind only Texas and California in the amount of money it has given to the campaign effort, according to the Center for Responsive Politics, based on the most recent Federal Elections Commission report.

Jeb Bush "has to walk a fine line," said Susan MacManus, a political science professor at the University of South Florida. "Too much and it looks like the older brother can't do it on his own. You little and he's not a committed younger brother."

Earlier this summer, Jeb Bush said he knows his brother's campaign is "taking friendly questions at every stop." He said that "I would never live it down if my brother didn't carry Florida. Imagine all the family gatherings for the next 20 years when he looked at me every time and said, 'What happened in Florida?'"

Jeb Bush Florida governor

Gore pushes college plan in the South

Associated Press

BRADENTON, Fla.

Al Gore said Tuesday his plan to encourage college tuition tax breaks would dramatically increase students' access to higher education.

"I've raised 20 million dollars so far in the three days I've been out here the last 20 years when he looked at me every time and said, 'What happened in Florida?'"

"It's inherently unstable," Gore added.

"I'd like to make the first two years of college pretty much an expectation," Gore said at Manatee Community College. "Education in this day and time should not stop with the 12th grade."

"The democrat was pushing his proposal to give families back 25 percent of up to $10,000 in college tuition, saying that students for too long have been forced to rely on loans that leave them saddled with debt upon graduation."

"We have overdone our reliance on student loans," Gore said. "By the time they graduate, they've got a huge debt."

"I don't think the answer is money alone," he said. "But because, you can get the results we need without more resources."

In addition to increasing deductions for tuition, Gore said he would bolster existing grant programs for youn

"They fit together like a hand and glove," he said. "The vice president was spending three days in Florida, mostly in private debate preparation with top aides. Still, he made a point of making a campaign appearance at the community college, hoping to make gains in Florida where the polls show the race is close."

With Bush's brother as his campaign adviser, Gore had been considered a strong state for the Republicans. But Gore is pushing hard for Tuesday's 25 electoral votes.

Federal regulatory officials showed off a new television commercial they are beginning to run in the wake of criticising Bush on environment issues. The spot spent $850,000 over the past 10 days showing the ad in virtually every market in the state.

FALL BREAK ALERT...

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Nader criticizes Firestone tire sales

Associated Press

DETROIT

Green Party presidential hopeful Ralph Nader criticized the auto industry on its own turf Tuesday, calling the Firestone tire recall "a classic cover-up" and saying automakers were lax in pushing to improve vehicle safety and fuel efficiency.

"The long-time consumer crusader also said federal traffic safety officials have been "unwilling" to criticize automakers who knowingly allowed defective products to stay on the market.

"We really have to have a little equity in law and order apply for the rich and powerful," Nader told the Economic Club of Detroit.

He accused Ford Motor Co. and Bridgestone/Firestone Inc. of covering up "inherently unstable" Ford Explorers and the Firestone tires supplied with them that have been linked to 151 deaths in the United States and more than 50 overseas.

"I think we really ought to raise our expectations really high in accuracy and what this industry can do when it's put under pressure," of federal regulation, Nader said.

Ford spokesman Ken Zino countered that the Explorer's track record "shows it to be one of the safest vehicles on the road." He added that Ford believes the information it has supplied federal investigators and Congress shows its actions in the tire recall "were in the best interest of our customers' safety."

"We feel we acted appropriately," Nader said. "But we have continued to fully cooperate with whatever government officials necessary to show that criminal charges do not apply to Ford Motor Co."

Using his book "Unsafe at Any Speed" that criticized automakers for putting profits ahead of safety, Nader opened Tuesday by joking that "invitations to the Detroit Economic Club do not come to me, for obvious reasons."

Associated Press

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Today is National Coming Out Day, which means that our community is once again being confronted with the issue of sexual orientation. It is not secret that this issue has been highly explosive on our campuses in the past and there is a great possibility that today will be no different. What I would like to suggest, however, is that it should be.

There are extremely strong opinions on all sides of this issue and it is necessary and good that there be an ongoing dialogue concerning them. Because this is such an emotional issue for so many people, discussion tends to emphasize areas of ideological disagreement. Lost in the debate over our differences are the important things we all have in common.

I didn’t go to the football games last year. I didn’t have any money when it was time to buy football tickets so I didn’t get tickets. I did, however, watch every game on TV and, I enjoyed that. I didn’t really feel like I was missing a big, particularly when the weather was bad and everybody else had to troop off to see the game in the freezing cold. I did go to football tickets this year, and I’ve been to three of our four home games so far. I’ve found that I did miss a lot of things at the games. I missed the marching band, the team running on the field, the excitement and electricity in the air. I say electricity and not voltage. They have never turned on the spot. Most of the guys I know aren’t really decent guys who realize that talking about women like they are nothing more than sex objects is just an excuse for being an offensive idiot. If these guys can’t control what they say when they are drunk, then maybe they shouldn’t get so drunk before the game.

I have a right to go to football games and not be subjected to some of the raunchiest discussions of sex I’ve ever heard. (Discussions where the word sex is never actually used but is referred to in the third person.) I want to leave the game feeling excited about winning, not nauseated by the guys around me. Otherwise, I might as well just watch it on television.

Marlayna Soeneneke

Scott Adams

Learn to accept differences

First and foremost I hope that we all agree that every person in our community deserves and needs respect, love and support. The fact of the matter is that there are people here who do not consider themselves heterosexual. Regardless of what each of us thinks about that fact, they are part of our community and as such we should all make them feel welcome. National Coming Out Day is a chance to acknowledge that someone you know and love (though you may not exactly know who is Gay) You may dispute their lifestyle, their actions, their choices but you cannot dispute their humanity. Contrary to its name, today is much more than a day to “come out.” It is a day to demonstrate solidarity with those who are struggling with this issue. Regardless of your personal stance, today is a day to acknowledge the presence of sexual diversity in our community.

Maryland VanBuren

first lady

Discussing the inappropriate

Marlayna Soeneneke is a sophomore psychology major. Her column appears every other Wednesday. The views expressed in this column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.
Taking action against world hunger

Oct. 16 is World Food Day. If someone asked you, “How many people are there in the world and how many of them are hungry?” or “How many people are there in the United States and how many of them are hungry?” what would you say?

The world population is more than six billion people. Globally, 30 years ago, there were close to one billion undernourished people in the developing world. Today there are about 800 million — in spite of a two billion rise in population.

The population of the United States is more than 260 million. We have seen a 12 percent drop since 1995 in the number of Americans facing hunger, but there are still 31 million people who grappled with hunger at or least the fear of it in 1999.

Why are people hungry? It’s not because there is not enough food. It’s not nature’s fault. It’s not because there are too many people. People are hungry for many reasons but the major ones include poverty and warfare.

There is hope. As the above data shows, we have made progress. We need to do more. There are strategies to end global and national hunger, including:
- Job growth to create jobs; debt cancellation to release funds for hunger and poverty reduction in the debt-ridden countries; education and health care programs to give people the skills and care they need to be active participants in their worlds; and an increase in opportunities for people to have a say in the decisions that affect their lives.

The United States can help. For an additional $5 billion a year ($18 a person) invested in nutrition programs, in only a few years the number of American people who are hungry or food insecure could be cut in half. For just $1 billion more, it could do its part to cut world hunger in half by 2015. That total — $6 billion — is less than one-third of one percent of the federal budget.

What can you do?
When it comes to ending hunger, most people think they can only make a temporary difference by working at food pantries or serving meals at a soup kitchen. And doing things like that is important. But, believe it or not, you can do more.

You can learn more about hunger problems through Bread for the World, a Christian citizen's movement dedicated to advocating specific policy changes to help overcome hunger in the United States and overseas.
Check out their website: http://www.bread.org.

Donating food is another way to help. “The Hunger Site” (http://www. thehungersite.com) is the world’s first “click-to-donate” site where more than $88 million visitors have donated more than 10,000 metric tons of free food to help feed the hungry. The donations are paid for by The Hunger Site’s sponsors and are distributed by the United Nations World Food Programme.

Without much effort or time you could easily become nationally involved. You could even act today! Set aside five minutes to write your members of Congress and ask them to cosponsor the Hunger Relief Act (H.R. 3192). This act includes provisions to restore food stamps to all low-income legal immigrants and increase funding for emergency food pantries. To look up the names of representatives or find tips on writing letters, you can visit http://www.bread.org/issues/index.html.

It’s important to act now because the congressional session is winding down!

Sponsors of the election draws closer, think about how you will vote. Include in your considerations what your local and national candidates are doing about hunger and poverty. Where is it on their priority list? Check out their records through Network: A National Catholic Social Justice Lobby (www.networklob­by.org or Common Cause, a nonprofit, nonpartisan citizen’s lobbying organization that promotes open, honest and accountable government (http://com­moncause.org).

You could become involved locally by signing up with the World Hunger Coalition to donate one meal each week from your food plan. E-mail Lisa Brintnall (Brintnall.1@nd.edu).

Notre Dame’s first ever “Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week” will be Nov. 13 through Nov. 17. If you’d like to get involved, e-mail either Rene Mulligan (Mulligan.124@nd.edu) or Meghan Gallagher (Gallagher.559@nd.edu).

As Pope John Paul II said, “With the means available today, poverty, hunger and ill health can no longer be regarded as either normal or inevitable.” Join in the movement to end hunger.

Together we can make a difference.

“For a More Just and Humane World” is a bi-weekly column in The Observer.

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table: Letters to the Editor

Supporting the right to express opinions

Before I begin, perhaps I should tell you that I am neither Catholic nor conservative. Nor am I pro-choice or pro-life. I don’t see that as an issue in black-and-white. And, so, this letter does not address the actual matter of abortion.

Reading Maribel Mercé’s article in The Observer on Monday, Oct. 9, I was reminded of a story my father would tell on some occasions when he returned from work. Across from his office was an abortion clinic. Every week, a lone man would stand outside of that clinic and beg each woman entering, “Please, Ma’am, don’t kill your baby.” That is all he would say. But I was struck cold by his words and felt very badly for the women who had to bear this even as they were making what must have been a profoundly difficult journey.

But as much as I care about the right of each woman to do what she was doing. And the Right to Life group that sponsors the “Innocents’ Cemetery” has the same right. Confessional speech is often the by-product of emotional debate. We do not lose our rights to freedom of speech or thought when we accept Notre Dame’s invitation.

Yes, we are a family. And we must support each other to the last breath. But being in a family does not mean that we turn a collective blind eye when we truly feel that one of our own is making a hurtful emotional debate. We do not lose our rights to freedom of speech or thought when we accept Notre Dame’s invitation.

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Finally, I note that Ms. Mercé bemoans the availability of University-sponsored Peace courses. Even as a Peace Studies student, I wondered why some of my classmates felt they had the right to suggest (demand) that Notre Dame change its policies to adopt new practices in contrast to the University’s official policies.

I know myself wondering that same thing right now. Out of step with my school. Out of step with the world. Out of step with the people you know you want to be going to school. That does not mean that you don’t have the right to disagree. Just don’t be shocked when “things” don’t change.

Peace, even argument, is healthy — even among members of our family.

Brant Beckett
Class of ’09
October 5, 2000

Questioning morality of embryo testing

In Response to Charles Rice concerning “Human embryo research destroys life,” Oct. 10, I have to ask myself this, is this guy for real? It seems as if this man is trying to bully and intimidate me with words seemingly copied from a bad science fiction novel. “In our pagan culture of death,” and with allusions to scenes from the Holocaust, “But how is killing them different from what the Nazis did in harvesting the organs of Jews.” He claims that research with human embryos is destroying a life, but what about those with Parkinson’s, Alzheimer’s, heart disease, diabetes, spinal cord injuries, burns and other ailments? Isn’t their life affected by their trauma? I doubt Mr. Rice would hardly take the same stance on this case if he was afflicted with one of these illnesses and was not allowed treatment because of lack of federal funding.

Peter Prima
Kenmore Hl
October 10, 2000
Proud Pangborn phoxes boast ‘Hall of the Year’

By SCOTT LITTLE
Scene Writer

Pangborn Phoxes: Hall of the Year 1999-2000.” The banner hangs proudly over the front doors of the odd-looking dorm at the end of South Quad.

Pangborn’s more than 200 residents are proud of their home, despite its less-than-appealing exterior. The location offers easy access to South Dining Hall, the Iock, CD, the golf course and the lakes.

Pangborn’s brother dorm, Fisher Hall, was remodeled during the summer of 2000, and Pangborn is slated for renovation at the end of this academic year.

Two lions guard the front of Pangborn, along with a 24-hour-a-day detox system designed to keep the Phoxes safe. Once escorted by a resident, one can find charm in Pangborn’s eccentric style of architecture. Recent additions to the dorm include throw blankets and pillows to compensate for not-so-attactive lounge furniture, and a smattering of plants to add warmth to the cinder-block construction.

The chapel, home to Sunday and Wednesday mass, is perhaps the most attractive aspect of the dorm. It features green enameled brick architecture with stained glass windows, one of which is featured in the “Windows of Notre Dame” poster.

The residents’ rooms are among the biggest on campus and boast triple-wide windows. The women of Pangborn take pride in making their own space comfortable and attractive. Each double room is furnished with plenty of overhead storage space, built-in closets, and a shared bathroom. With four singles, two triples, two “six-mans” and many quads, residents have many options when it comes to style of living.

Phoxes are never at a loss for a place to work, socialize or strengthen community. The dorm has an air-conditioned 24-hour space on the first floor; study lounges on the first and third floor and a social space with big screen television and a kitchen in the basement.

The Pangborn community considers Pangborn famous for its dances, which have been known to send boys to the groto, hoping to be invited. In the fall the Phoxes host the Phoenix which was cancelled this year due to weather conditions. In the spring, the Phoxes host the Spring Fling in conjunction with Fisher’s annual Fisher Regatta.

The phoxes of Pangborn are a close-knit and spirited group, but arguably the most famous of all Pangborn residents was George Wendi, of “Cheers” fame, who resided in 34-36. “If ‘Norm’ were a Phox today, he would surely be a proud resident of Pangborn Hall.”

Kate Steer contributed to this report.

De-stress during midterms with Web sites, joke

Uniform week 2000 is here. Many of us will work hard to get the grades we deserve. And in between working hard, many of us will be taking the all-important study break. This should never be underestimated. Resting up in between studying is comparable to playing MegaMan — if you want to shoot a big bullet, you have to save your power. So here are two suggestions to make the week easier, and then a joke to lighten things up.

Visit Uglypeople.com. This Web site has been in existence for quite some time now. But that doesn’t matter, because there are so many ugly people in the world. There will always be more pictures of newly-discovered ugly people to look at. What this site consists of is 13 galleries of ugly women and 13 galleries of ugly men, all for you to view and laugh at in the comfort of your own room or computer cluster space. This is a really great idea.

You will just feel sorry for some of the people featured. They probably don’t know they are on the Internet and being laughed at everyday, and they probably have had a hard enough life already — having to go through it being so ugly.

There are also some people that just don’t seem ugly enough to be on a Web site for ugly people. I feel sorry for them as well. There is this one guy with a cone-shaped head that has this sad look in his eyes, like he is saying, “I sure could use a friend instead of this cone-shaped head.” I feel bad for him and I want to be his friend.

Some of the thumbnail pictures are hard to see, and you can’t tell just how amazingly ugly the person is until you enlarge their picture. One warning — some of the people are naked. Their private parts are covered up, but the extra skin really lets you know that they are ugly all over their bodies.

All this site contains is ugly people. Go look at them, and laugh at them, and be glad you are not one of them. And if you are one of them, submit your picture so the rest of us can laugh at you. Or another option would be never to go outside and instead get a big mirror and laugh at yourself. You could keep your ugliness a secret, your very own funny ugly secret.

If ugly people aren’t your thing, then you may get a giggle at BullsSight.com. This site has a lot of cartoons, some of which are incredibly offensive, while others are pointless and complete wastes of time. The two I recommend are in the archives. “Hoolie-Goo’s Haikus” and “Episode 1 of Porkchups” ought to relax your overworked brain.

And finally, here is a joke for everyone who has a midterm. I did not write this joke. I am reypasting it for the joke’s reuse and enjoyment. I think it is a good joke for Notre Dame.

The time has come for St. Peter’s annual three-week vacation, and Jesus volunteers to fill in for him at the Pearly Gates. “It’s no big deal,” St. Peter explains to Jesus. “Just sit at the registration desk, and ask each person a little about his or her life. Then send them on to housekeeping to pick up their wings.” On the third day, Jesus looks up to see a bewildered old man standing in front of him.

“I’m a simple carpenter,” says the man. “And once I had a son. He was born in a very special way, and was unlike anyone else in this world. He went through a great transformation even though he had holes in his hands and feet. He was taken from me a long time ago, but his spirit lives on forever. All over the world people tell his story.”

By this time, Jesus is standing with his arms outstretched. There are tears in his eyes, and he embraces the old man. “Father,” he cries out. “It’s been so long!” The old man squints, stares for a moment, and says, “Pinocchio.”

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Spirited Cavanaugh dedicated to service, tradition

By LAURA KELLY
Assistant Scene Editor

Most students pass by the corner dorm on North Quad without realizing that chaos reigns inside. This is Cavanaugh Hall, home of the “Chaos” and 232 spirited Notre Dame women.

“The Naugh is known for not only its great location but for its unique, contagious spirit, which is captured in our mascot, the Cavanaugh Chaos,” said Sister Patricia Dearbaugh, four-year rector of the dorm.

Built in 1936, Cavanaugh was named after Father John Cavanaugh, the president of Notre Dame from 1905 to 1919. He was known as “Notre Dame’s ambassador” and according to Dearbaugh, “the women of Cavanaugh carry on his tradition of ambassadorship through service.”

Cavanaugh became a women’s dorm in 1994, and has been focused on establishing traditions ever since.

Among the activities that Cavanaugh is known for is the “Naugh Fest,” a spirit week held every spring that concludes with an SYR. Another Naugh dance is the Snowball, a winter formal held in the first week of February.

“The Snowball is our longest-standing tradition,” said Dearbaugh. “Almost everyone is involved in service of some kind,” said resident assistant Kathleen Fanning. “The girls of Cavanaugh are very generous with giving their time to the community.”

This service is often involved with spiritual concerns. “Spiritual life is very important at the ‘Naugh. We come together in many ways to share our faith, especially at Sunday night liturgies,” said Dearbaugh. Bible study and prayer services are offered and attended by many Cavanaugh women.

Another strength of Cavanaugh is the unity and closeness among its residents. “Each section is its own family and has a life of its own,” said Fanning. “We do lots of section events in addition to dorm activities.”

Cavanaugh’s efforts are clearly paying off as the dorm creates a name for itself. Others have recognized its spirit as well, since Cavanaugh has been runner-up for “Dorm of the Year” two years in a row.

“Community service is definitely the strength of this dorm,” said Fanning. “I think people are starting to recognize our dorm’s reputation for and commitment to service.”

It is clear that the “chaotic” women of North Quad are establishing a tradition of spirit and service in Cavanaugh Hall that will continue for years to come.
MEN'S INTERHALL BLUE LEAGUE

Stanford hopes to extend season, Morrissey hopes for first win

By Susie CARPENTER and KATIE HUGHES
Sports Writers

Two different mindsets will meet tonight in Stanford's game against Morrissey. At both close out their regular seasons, a win for Stanford is a necessity if they hope to play in the post season. At 1-2, a victory tonight will guarantee them a berth in the playoffs. Undiscounted about their loss last week, the Griffins are determined to clinch the win. Stanford coach Terrel Rice, is confident about his team's ability to perform.

"If we play the game we want to play, we should come out on top," Rice said. Rice says he hopes to maintain the same basic strategy for tonight's match-up but with some improvements on offense.

"We need to throw a lot more and see what we can get going on the running game," he said.

Rice expects to see some key performances from tailback JC Perez, running back Mike Froelten and quarterback Nick Becca. As a young team, he also will look to the freshmen to make a big impact.

The Manor has had a disappointing season thus far with a record of 0-3. With several close losses and with no chance of playoff action, Morrissey intends to finish the season strong.

"This year we just haven’t produced on offense and we gave up plays on defense," captain Edward Hernandez said. "We’re going to go out there and just play.

Contrary to Stanford, Morrissey has nothing to lose or gain.

"We’re going to play hard and play tough," Hernandez said of his strategy.

He will also look to the leadership of defensive end Joe Larson and tailback Josh Life to dominate on the field and to carry Morrissey to a win. "Joe Larson is an unstoppable defensive end. He’s a truck," Hernandez said. "And if Josh Life comes through with a solid game, it could be an exciting night."

Keough vs. O’Neill

Tonight Keough will be fighting for their last possible shut at the playoffs, while O’Neill will be trying to end a tough season with a victory. The Kangaroos lost to Alumni on Sunday, while the Angry Mob was shut out by Keenan.

“We're looking for our first win ever against Keough," O’Neill captain Josh Rich said. "We know that we can beat this team because we scrimmaged them this week and had a good look at their defense. We’re just as motivated as Keough. We’ve really improved this season and gotten a lot more organized."

The Angry Mob will depend on quarterback Phil Irvine and running back Alex Jackson to shut down the Kangaroos defense.

“We’re gonna pretty much take it to ’em," Keough captain Ryan York said. "This season we were pretty confident after our first win but our last two losses made our players a little less confident. We kept it pretty intense against Alumni, and we have to go out with that mentality again."

Keough will rely on quarterback Alex and fullback Kevin McCabe.

"We hope to come out with a solid victory," York said. "I know everyone would be pumped up if we made it to the playoffs. But it’s bad when it depends on the outcomes of other games."

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not that I'm courting

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First, thanks for the chair ballot E and knocking me down on my own phone book.

Kate and joie — had another great Omaha Monday.

hey kalie, good luck on your exams today and tomorrow!

for a good time, go 1 room 313 hall, that is, if you consider it a good time watching care bears and transformers!

hello markus dani!, hope that your day is a ball of fun.

so, are you thinking of lab jackets brothing duties that you can perform for your awesome adopted sister?

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kris and lauren, hope you all will have a fab break and don’t make me wait too much kitchenette have a good one just one more paper, i will surveil
The Notre Dame Center for Ethics and Culture invites you to its inaugural conference:

In Evangelium Vitae, Pope John Paul II argues that a pervasive culture of death threatens the sanctity and dignity of human life in contemporary society. At this conference, both scholars and public figures will gather to examine this claim.

Schedule of Presentations

Thursday, October 12, 2000
7:30 am • Concurrent Sessions
- Judge John T. Noonan, Jr.
  Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit
  "Cooperation in Intentionally Inflicting Death"
  CCE Auditorium

Friday, October 13, 2000
9:00 am • Alasdair MacIntyre
  University of Notre Dame
  "A Culture of Choices and Compartmentalization"
  CCE Auditorium

10:30 am • Concurrent Sessions
  (A) Legislative and Judicial Issues at the Beginning of Life • CCE Auditorium
  Helen Alvare, Columbus School of Law, Catholic University of America
  Gerald Bradley, Notre Dame Law School
  Hans Reinders, Vrije Universiteit Amsterdam
  "The Future of the Disabled in Liberal Society: Further Thoughts"
  Commentators:
  Moira Walsh, University of Notre Dame
  E. Russell Hittinger, University of Utah
  John W. Carlson, Creighton University
  Richard Garnett, Catholic University of America
  Vincent F. Salmone, University of Notre Dame

1:30 pm • H. Tristram Engelhardt, Jr.
  Rice University
  "After Christendom: The Moralization of Religion and the Culture of Death"
  CCE Auditorium

3:15 pm • Concurrent Sessions
  (A) The Concept of Culture • CCE Auditorium
  E. Jane Deuring, University of Notre Dame
  "Simone Weil and the Death of Cultures"
  John W. Carroll, Creighton University
  "The Paradox of a 'Culture of Death': An Eluciation in Light of Karl Wojtyla/John Paul II’s Philosophy of Culture"
  J. Daryl Charles, Taylor University
  "Obfuscating Orwell: The Collapse of Communication as a Prelude to Political Tyranny"
  (B) Capital Punishment • CCE, Rm 210-214
  Philip E. Devine, Providence College
  "Capital Punishment: The Paradoxes of Abolitionism"
  Richard Garnett, Notre Dame Law School
  "Volunteering for Capital Punishment"
  Steven Long, University of St. Thomas
  "Evangelium Vitae, St. Thomas Aquinas, and the Death Penalty"
  (C) Virtue and the Culture of Death • CCE, Rm 112-114
  Rebecca Kunydyk DeYoung, Calvin College
  "Aquinas’s Paradigm of Courage: Power Made Perfect in Weakness"
  Robert C. Minar, Boston College
  "Avaricious Subversions of Human Dignity: The ‘Culture of Death’ as a Return to Barbarism"
  Moira Walsh, Boston College
  "Vulnerability and Freedom"
  (D) Political Theory and the Culture of Death • CCE, Rm 202
  Donald P. Verbrugge, University of Notre Dame
  "The Culture of Death and the City of Man: A Comparison Between Evangelium Vitae and De Causa Devi"
  Benjamin J. Bruyvoort Lipscomb, University of Notre Dame
  "Get Big or Get Out: The Culture of Death as a Problem of Scale"
  Travis White, St. John University
  "John Paul II and MacIntyre on Human Rights"

Saturday, October 14, 2000
9:00 am • Concurrent Sessions
  (A) Sidney Callahan, Mercy College • CCE, Rm 210-214
  "Isolation and Indifference: The Legacy Path to A Culture of Death"
  (B) Paul E. Sigmund, Princeton University • CCE Auditorium
  "Judicial 2006, Debts Forgiven, and Third World Poverty"

10:30 am • Concurrent Sessions
  (A) Catholic Feminism and the Culture of Death • CCE Auditorium
  Panelists:
  Helen Alvare, Columbus School of Law, Catholic University of America
  Margaret Monahan Hogan, King’s College
  Maura Ryan, University of Notre Dame
  (B) Bioethical Dilemmas • CCE, Rm 210-214
  Gilbert Meilaender, Valdese University
  "Stem Cell Research: Probing the Limits of Compassion"

1:30 pm • The Culture of Death and the Arts
  Ralph McInerny, University of Notre Dame
  "The Death of Culture and the Culture of Death"
  Thomas Hibbs, Boston College
  "Free to Choose: Hollywood Nihilism and Mainstream America"
  CCE Auditorium

3:15 pm • Concurrent Group Sessions
  (A) Capital Punishment • CCE, Rm 210-214
  Joseph Capistran, Catholic University of America
  "The Authority in Pains"
  Christian Brugger, Loyola University
  "Capital Punishment and the Catechism of the Catholic Church: The Teaching of the Magisterium Interpreted"
  Vincent D. Rougeau, Notre Dame Law School
  "The Role of Catholic Social Teaching in Containing Individualism"
  Christian E. Illies, University of Evanston
  "Death in the Time of Cinema"
  (B) Social Aspects of the Culture of Death • CCE, Rm 112-114
  Scott Moore, Baylor University
  "Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Happiness: The Culture of Conveniences as a Culture of Death"
  Terence Piel, Center for Individual Rights
  "Racial Preferences and the Culture of Death"
  Randall K. O'Bannon, National Right to Life Educational Trust Fund
  "Postmodernism and the Politics of Partial Birth Abortion"
  (D) Political and Biological Aspects of the Culture of Death • CCE, Rm 202
  Jeffrey Langan, University of Notre Dame
  "The Place of Evangelium Vitae in Democratic Theory"
  Christopher Mira, University of Notre Dame
  "The Human Person as Organism"
  Sean Rajnis, S.J., Gonzaga Jesuit Community
  "Strange Bedfellows: Pre-Choice Catholics and the Evil of Legal Abortion"

5:00 pm • Mass
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The Notre Dame Center for Ethics and Culture
Zahm, Siegfried hold on with strong defense for 7-7 tie

By JOHNNY LEITNER
Sports Writer

Zahm and Siegfried both approached their game on Sunday as a must-win, make-or-break affair that could secure or elaborate their playoff ambitions. After four quarters of grueling, defense-dominated play, little had been decided, as the Rabid Bats and Hamblers duelled to a 7-7 tie.

The game began as a battle between punters. Neither offense was able to make much headway on their opening drives. Zahm was frequently pinned inside its own 20-yard line, although Siegfried started several drives at midfield, it failed to capitalize against Zahm's tenacious defensive front. At the end of the second quarter, however, it appeared Siegfried was poised to claim a lead.

After starting at the Zahm 35, the Siegfried offense advanced the ball, relying on a power rushing game featuring captain running back Travis Smith. After being tackled at the line, Smith burst a hole in the defense that ensued, the Ramslayers were unable to run another play before time expired in the first half.

"It was tough to keep track of time," Siegfried captain and quarterback Rob Plumbly said. "We just ran out."

Siegfried came out in the second half eager to alone for its lost opportunities. On their first drive, amidst a stiff wind and frigid drizzle, wide receiver T.J. Fontana took the ball on an end around and then threw 25-yard pass to Pete Aguilar. Quarterback Rob Plumbly then found Aguilar for a 15-yard connection, and the Ramslayers found themselves at the Zahm 25. After converting

Brian Zant said. With this match in the books, the playoff picture is a bit unclear. Zahm ends its regular season with a 2-1-1 record, while Siegfried, currently 1-1-1, will play a decisive fourth game next week against Sorin Hall. The outcome of that critical game will figure heavily into the playoff destinies of both of these squads.

"All of our guys know that it is a must-win game," Zant said. "But this game was important for us. We played hard and didn't make any mistakes. We're confident against Sorin."

For the Rabid Bats, little of the regular season remains except biding their time and hoping that the pieces fall into place for a playoff spot. "We haven't hit on all cylinders in a single game set," Zant said. "With the year reaching its dramatic playoff finale, the Bats hope that they will have another chance to hit that mark.

Zahm players run the ball earlier in the season. The Rabid Bats needed a win against Siegfried to secure a spot in playoff action.

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program. "We have to go out there and show what we can do," Murphy said. "It's nice to be one of the top teams, but we have to go out there and prove it on the court." Notre Dame's schedule won't make success easy. Its nonconference slate includes road games at Kentucky and Vanderbuilt, a matchup with Cincinnati in the John Wooden Classic and a home date with Marquette in Branman's debut season.

But the Irish boast six legitimate starters — captains Murphy and Ingebo, along with Carroll, Graves, Humphrey and Swanagan — and several key reserves. "Not everybody's going to play as much as they want," said Brey. "Is everybody still going to be on board with two feet? That's our big challenge." The team averaged 22.7 points and 10.3 rebounds a game last season, Murphy turned down a chance to play for the NBA. The 6-foot-10 player is a preseason All-American candidate for the Wooden Award.

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**Club Sports**

**Water polo extends winning streak to 20**

The men's water polo club's winning streak in Midwest Division play reached 20 this weekend, but not without a couple of very stiff challenges. The Kalamazoo Invitational. The 10-2 Irish opened play with a convincing 13-6 win against Toledo. The second round against host Kalamazoo was played before an overflow crowd as the Irish held on to claim an 8-5 decision that was close throughout the match.

The semifinals pitted the Irish against Western Michigan and the club coasted to a 17-9 victory to set up the championship contest with Grand Valley State. With less than a minute remaining, and the Irish trailing 10-8, goalie Eric Baul was called upon to stop a penalty shot. His save and the ensuing goals by Matt McNicholas forced overtime.

After a scoreless first overtime, the Irish again found themselves down a goal with 20 seconds on the clock in the second overtime. John Penilla provided the next heroes, firing the tying goal as time expired. With a huge crowd wildly cheering on both teams, Peter Asmuth came through in sudden death overtime, scoring the championship goal for the Irish. The club will next host the Collegiate Water Polo Championships Oct. 22-23 at Rolfs Aquatics.

**Ultimate**

The ultimate club earned its way to the semifinals of the Michigan Wolverines Invitational this weekend. Stanford and Mike Shiel spearheaded an attack that scored quickly and often in defeating Michigan 13-2 and Ohio State, 13-5, in early round action. The club hosts the Illinois Invite, Saturday, Oct. 22, at Rolfs Aquatics.

With a 7-6 lead at the half, the Irish switched to a zone defense and limited the Mustangs to a single second half point while posting a 13-9 victory. In the quarters, another Michigan team was the opponent, and Bell 3-0. Fatigue caught up with the short handed Irish squad in the semis as they lost to Ohio State in the rematch, 13-10. Next up for the Irish will be the Nov. 4-5 Volunteer Invitational at Tennessee.

**Bowling**

Led by veterans Jason Pawlak and Darren Kraft, the bowling club placed 34 at the Midwest Collegiates in Madison, Wis., competing against all the top teams in this section of the country. Pawlak's had a 201 average and Kraft's managed a 188. The Irish will return to the lanes next week for the Eblen Heisser Classic at Indianapolis.

**Field Hockey**

Incentive weather and poor travel conditions in Chicago forced the postponement of Sunday's scheduled match with the University of Chicago. A make-up date has not been finalized.

**Men's Rowing**

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"We had a package that we came into summer camp with that we're now able to do again (with a mobile quarter­back)," Davie said. "The package of Purdue and Michigan State, that's gone now, just trying to buckle it up and hammer people and play so ultraconservative. But we do have to get some consistency where we're not everything every week. There's no way you can survive doing that."

Davie stressed Navy's offense could present problems.

"I don't think the fact that Navy has not won a game has a whole lot to do with this," Davie said. "You look at their schedule. They've played some good teams ... Obviously it's a big challenge with the wish-bone schemes ... when you look at the formations, it doesn't make sense to your players. They're different formations than you see. There's such a period of just getting players comfortable with. "What do we call this? What is this formation? Who are the eligible guys in this formation?" You're out of your comfort zone. They have you out of your comfort zone. That's probably the biggest thing."

Anthony Denman (39) and Clifford Jefferson (15) tackle a Stanford back in the Irish's 20-14 victory over the Cardinal Saturday. The Irish hope to stay focused throughout the remainder of the season and take care of the last six games.

On the occasion of National Coming Out Day, October 11, 2000, we, the Standing Committee on Gay and Lesbian Student Needs, join Notre Dame's gay, lesbian, and bisexual students in gratitude for the love and support they have received from family and friends.

As a Committee, we recommit ourselves to providing educational opportunities for the entire Notre Dame community. We will continue the NETWORK initiative begun three years ago. NETWORK prepares and educates individuals on campus who are willing to offer a confidential and respectful place of dialogue and encouragement regarding gay and lesbian issues. A number of students, faculty, and staff have already participated in NETWORK sessions. Other educational initiatives will include speakers and opportunities for discussion on issues related to sexual orientation.

We urge all members of our community to redouble our efforts to make our campus a safe and welcoming place free from harassment of any kind.

The Standing Committee on Gay and Lesbian Student Needs

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Irish look to stay undefeated on the road against Illinois

By RACHAEL PROTZMAN
Sports Writer

The Notre Dame volleyball team will look to remain undefeated on the road against Illinois State today.

The 20-ranked Irish have posted a 6-0 record on the road while standing at 13-4 on the season.

"I think that we're a pretty good team this year and we focus on one game at a time," junior Kristy Kreher said. "We don't think about the fact that we have a winning streak on the road when we play. We just go out and play our game."

Today marks the 13th meeting between the teams. The Irish hope to earn the series lead which currently stands at 6-6. The Redbirds are 8-5 in the 2000 season, coming off a battle against Witchita State in which Illinois State was able to capture the match in five games.

"We play Illinois State every year," Kreher said. "It's always a good competition between teams. We have fun with it."

Kendra Haselhorst will look to pose an Irish threat with 210 kills this year. Notre Dame topped West Virginia and Pittsburgh this weekend in its first conference games outside of the Joyce Center to improve to 4-0 in the Big East.

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Marcie Bomhack, above, serves in a recent game. Bomhack and the Irish hope to earn their seventh win on the road today.
**Women's Soccer**

Belles fall to Olivet 3-2 in final moments of game

By SARAH RYKOWSKI
Sports Writer

In their first home contest since a series of devastating losses, the Belles came out roaring, only to fall to the Olivet Lady Comets 3-2 after a late goal by Olivet's Doris Sullivan.

"It was a great individual effort on the part of Doris Sullivan," Belles head coach Jasmin Milligan said. "She's a great player. She's been a pain in our neck for years."

Sullivan scored all three goals for the Comets, and took seven of Olivet's eight shots on Belles goalie Tia Kauffman. Lori Lucas had the only other shot for the Comets.

For the most part, however, the Belles dominated the game, keeping the ball in the Comets' zone and taking 31 shots.

"I thought [the Belles] looked a lot better," Comets head coach Hans Morgan said. "They improved quite a bit. They looked a lot more organized. They looked more dangerous offensively."

Heather Muth scored first for the Belles 20 minutes into the game to put them up 1-0. Muth's goal was unassisted, making a breakaway and dodging Olivet's defense to put the ball in the net, high and to the right. Just out of Olivet goalie Tanja Rupert's hands. Muth had seven shots for the match.

"We scored goals today," Milligan said. "That was definitely something to put a smile on our faces."

Stephanie Artman, who along with Muth leads the Belles in scoring this season, put the ball in the net again to give the Belles a 2-0 lead. It was Artman's first regular action goal, after her first three came on penalty kicks. Then the tide of the game turned against the Belles. Sullivan scored her first goal less than a minute after Artman's off an assist by Laura Fertino.

Sullivan scored again to tie the game with 17 minutes to go, and then cemented the victory for the Comets with her third goal with six minutes remaining in regulation.

The Belles did not stop their offensive efforts. Artman and Kristen Greenwood led the team with eight shots each. Laura Paulen and Wendy Irvine each had two attempts, while Lynn Taylor, Adrian Kirby, Shawna Jiannoni and Katie Green each got off one. "We moved the ball real well," Milligan said. "We continue to improve."

Kapphahn made two saves, seeing little action on her end of the field except for Sullivan's breakaways. Rupert held the Comets in the game with 17 saves.

"This was definitely the best I've seen a lot of the team play," Milligan said. "We're getting there slowly but surely. We feel positive about today's game."

The Belles face Alma on Oct. 15.

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**Interhall Soccer**

Stanford upsets Knott for championship

By MICHAEL RAMPOLLA
Sports Writer

"Night and day," was how senior captain Kelechi Ndikwe compared the regular season play of Stanford Hall's soccer team to its performance in the playoffs that ended in a 2-0 win in the championship against defending champion Knott.

Coming off a lackluster 1-3-1 season, the Stanford team was seeded 12th out of the 12 teams that entered the playoffs.

For the first 25 minutes, the ball spent equal time on both halves of the field, with neither team able to gain a clear edge. At halftime, the game remained scoreless, due mostly to the physical and tenu­cious defense displayed by both teams.

After the second half, the offense was on the attack, hardly letting up on Knott and forcing its defense to make consistent plays. But the North Quad men proved too much for the Mud Quaddlers, as a centering pass from Ndikwe was struck home by junior Kevin Muempfer to put Stanford ahead 1-0.

Later in the half, a tripping call inside the box set up a penalty kick, which was driven past the keeper by Muempfer.

"In our first game against Keenan we were unorganized. We had the talent and experience, but we couldn't put it together," said Ndikwe. "Four top-five wins in the play-offs was a definite change of pace. We started moving the ball, spreading it out, and really played Stanford soccer."

"Defense was our heart and soul, both in league play and the play-offs," Ndikwe added.

Stanford Hall's first game in the playoffs against No. 5 O'Neill Hall ended in a 1-0 win, moving the Griffins into the quarterfinals against No. 4 Keenan Hall.

The 2-1 win landed them in the final four round, where they faced No. 1 Dillon Hall Monday night. A long and hard-fought 50 minutes gained them a 2-0 win against Dillon and a place in the championship game.

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BY BILL AMEND

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LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): You want to experience exciting new scenes this weekend. Take advantage of making investments. Fix up your yard. Your numbers: 5, 14, 23, 32, 41, 50.


LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22): You will feel great pride when the decisions you make are close to achieve their goals. Your positive support will help improve the climate in those you help.

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CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Your change of attitude may benefit family and friends. Try to explain your actions and listen to the advice given by those who love you. Communication will be important.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Don't hold yourself back. Your lack of confidence will be your downfall. An opportunity for career advancement will be with you if you're willing to take a chance. Your numbers: 7, 16, 25, 34, 43, 52.

PISCES (Feb. 19-Mar. 20): You will experience something new. Activities allowing your creativity to flow may be beneficial. You need stimulating friends who will be supportive of your endeavors. Your numbers: 8, 17, 26, 35, 44, 53.

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Irish hope to return in 2000 as 'kings of the court'

By KATHLEEN O'BRIEN
Associated Sports Writer

They're all grown up. Now all they need is a coming out party.

Last season, the Irish were left out of the NCAA Tournament like high school students too young to attend the senior prom. This year, they're hoping not only to attend the Big Dance, but to be kings of the court.

"I knew this group had the chance to take the next step," first-year coach Bob Davie said.

Media Day on Tuesday was the debut for the 2000-01 Notre Dame men's basketball team, a squad that returns four starters from last year's NIT runners-up contingent, including All-American forward Troy Murphy, post player Harold Humphrey, and guards David Graves and Matt Carroll. Also on the roster are seniors Martin Ingelsby, who started at point guard his first two seasons and All-Big 12 transfer Ryan Humphrey in the front court.

"Practice doesn't officially get underway until Saturday, but the players are ready to go. All 12 players passed a pre-season conditioning test Tuesday with each in less than 22 seconds.

"We're in great shape," Ingelsby said. "We're ready for the season.

Now they want to pass a bigger exam - the entrance requirements for the NCAA tournament. Something Notre Dame hasn't accomplished since 1990.

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