Student government report claims little funds spent on financial aid

By PAUL PEARSON
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Notre Dame commits too little funds to student financial aid, according to a student government report presented yesterday to the Board of Trustees. The report, prepared by a student government committee, said that the University's financial aid situation drives many prospective students away.

"Like it or not," the report says, "Notre Dame is in danger of losing potential students because of financial aid." The report outlined the following problems:

• The Board of Trustees "does not provide adequate financial aid to students who are not from well-off backgrounds, particularly minority students who don't have substantial savings and scholarships.

• The Board fails to take full advantage of alumni financial aid programs.

• The University underfunds the Office of Financial Aid.

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• The University's financial aid policies are "out of sync" with those of other major research universities.

To help gauge student opinion, the committee sent out a survey to students about their financial situations. According to the report, when asked to characterize financial aid at ND, 41.38 percent of the respondents called it "poor," and another 34.48 percent described it as "below average."

The survey also asked students what forms of financial aid they received. While more than 75 percent of the respondents said they receive either a Stafford or a Perkins Loan, less than 25 percent said they have a University scholarship, the report said. This survey, according to the report, "demonstrates the belief that financial aid at Notre Dame is simply not what it should be."

Notre Dame relies too heavily on student loans in its financial aid packages, said the report. "The first-year students (ND student aid packages) are two loans and a job, enabling the University to spread its scarce resources further," the report said.

The Office of Financial Aid estimated last January that $26.8 million of the University's 1991-92 undergraduate packages are scholarships or grants; $13.5 million are loans and $3.3 million are work-study programs, the report said.

According to the report, this forces the University to devote its scholarships to two groups: Notre Dame Scholars, which are given to outstanding incoming students based on merit and need, and Holy Cross packages, which are given to minority students based on financial need.

"This policy, according to the report, "annually eliminates hundreds of outstanding students who deserve scholarship consideration."

The report also says that recent University fundraising efforts have not put enough emphasis on scholarship funds. As evidence for this, the report lists the recent "Great Notre Dame Moment" campaign. Although the campaign set its goal was exceeded by $136 million, only $13.5 million went to scholarship funds, the report said.

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THIS COLUMN

Why not a Christian Notre Dame?

This column is three years in the making. In three years I’ve come to know Notre Dame is a way few students do—from the inside and out. My “inside” perspective comes from a working knowledge of the administration, faculty, staff and students of what many call the nation’s last truly Catholic university.

My “outside” perspective comes at the expense of my being one of a small number of Protestants at that university.

Much has been said in recent months about Notre Dame’s fear of losing its “Catholic Character.” Through all of it, one feeling remains unshakable: That Notre Dame must take a step back, and focus on being a Christian university again.

As Christians we are taught to respect one another and place the highest value on human dignity. Christians of all denominations are schooled to be honest, forthright and open-minded. We are urged to serve our communities and we are shown that coming together in times of crisis is often the best, and only, remedy for our pain.

The past year has given Notre Dame many opportunities to exercise these fundamentally Christian tendencies. And how did the school perform?

• It kept remarkably quiet when Father James Burgtheil resigned amid charges of sexual misconduct with male undergraduate students. The University chose to communicate to the community the one thing it usually calls upon to engage in honest dialogue: That the “Notre Dame Family” wasn’t worthy of knowing the story, let alone the truth.
• It acted only when forced to in two circumstances. When students seeking respect and answers to questions about cultural diversity at Notre Dame were forced to take their cause to extreme measures, and when a disgruntled faculty member took an historic vote of no-confidence in University President Father Edward Malloy.

In both cases, Notre Dame should have seen the storm brewing in the horizon. A Christian institution must be proactive, willing to communicate and collaborate to avert 11th hour situations.

In both cases, Notre Dame was reactive, and then only when the administration had been forced against a wall with no other choice.

It is disturbing to note that perhaps the best example of Notre Dame acting as a truly Catholic institution occurred when a force greater than multiculturalism or incessant faculty necessitated it. Watching the University come together during the tragic events of September 11 was a win in his crash which claimed the lives of Margaret “Meghan” Beaver and Colleen Hipp was witnessing a Christian community at its best.

But this was an outpouring from bottom up, a coming together of mind and spirit starting with students and working its way upward through the University hierarchy. The administration could take a cue from the way its children rise in times of crisis.

Conveniently Catholic or consistently Christian? Notre Dame, make the choice.

The essays expressed in the Inside Column are those of the author and not necessarily those of The Observer.
Trustees’ reaction encourages government report committee

By ALICIA REALE
Assistant News Editor

The Board of Trustees’ reaction to yesterday’s student govern­ment report has encouraged the committee, according to co­chairman Bong Miquiabas.

“The purpose of the report was to substantiate that it (financial aid) is necessary so as to move toward the actual construction of the effort,” said Miquiabas in an interview.

“It wasn’t as if we had to convince them (the Board of Trustees). With the report we were taking a pro­active stance,” he said.

“The trustees understand that financial aid is a problem. The report is to help them understand how big a problem it is,” said Michael Hobbs, committee member. “There was a strong reception but the question is how they go about taking the next step,” he said.

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“Many are left unable to attend graduate schools (for financial reasons),” said a board member. “Notre Dame cannot continue to compete with other schools who can give more.”

The determination of who receives financial aid “is not a perfect science, there is a lot of judgement involved. The results are adjusted through common sense,” said a member of the administration.

“I would certainly endorse everything in the report. I have the sincerest consideration for what the trustees have done. The issue of financial aid is the most visible ever.”

“The problem lies in the competing needs of financial aid and the operating budget of the University,” said a member of the administration. “It is difficult to increase financial aid and lower tuition”, the two are difficult to balance.

“As an undergraduate student we see the new quad, the Strategic Moment campaign, we see the money going to everything except financial aid,” said Kimes. “We ask for the best faculty but we also ask the board to publicize our concerns because this is a pertinent concern to us.”

The NRC contract will contribute $20 million to financial aid in the next five years, according to a member of the administration.

About $75 million is received in aid by Notre Dame each year. Over 60 percent of the current student population receives aid in some form but it is not all need-based. Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC), athletic and staff-child scholarships are some exceptions.

“I am very optimistic about the future of the University,” said a member of the administration. “Good things will happen due to the high visibility of the financial aid issue. We are in as good of shape as we have ever been.”

Faculty Senate endorses GLND/SMC application

By BECKY BARNES
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The student affairs committee of the Faculty Senate will propose a resolution endorsing the application of Gays and Lesbians at Notre Dame and Saint Mary’s (GLND/SMC) for recognition as an official University organization, according to committee member Clark Power.

Power, an associate professor in the Program of Liberal Studies, said that the resolution originated because the committee was approached by members of GLND/SMC, who asked for their support. To his knowledge, the Senate has never endorsed another group seeking recognition.

He expects the Senate to pass the resolution with some objection "may be more helpful than if the Senate just gave approval,” he said.

If passed by the Senate, Power hopes that the resolution "would be taken into consideration by Vice President (Patty) O’Hara.

Michael Vore, GLND/SMC spokesperson, expressed pleasure that the faculty decided to consider their request and hopes they will support it.

If passed, “We hope that the (resolution) sends a strong message to the Administration,” he said.

Vore also asked that support­ers write letters to O’Hara. "We want as many people to be involved as possible,” he said.

The Senate resolution was written before the group was denied recognition by Student Affairs, said Power, and he does not know if the wording of the resolution will be changed.
Malloy to speak at Catholic U.

Special to The Observer

Father Edward Malloy, president of the University of Notre Dame, will return to his hometown to address the graduating class at The Catholic University of America's 103rd commencement exercises May 9, in Washington.

Malloy, in his fifth year as Notre Dame president, will also receive an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree in ceremonies at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception.

Sister Alice Gallin, a member of the Notre Dame Board of Trustees and executive director of the Association of Catholic Colleges and Universities, will join Malloy and three others as honorary degree recipients. Gallin will also receive an honorary degree at Notre Dame's Sesquicentennial Year commencement exercises May 17.

Malloy is a member of President Bush's Advisory Council on Drugs, is a founding director of the Points of Light Initiative, and is vice chair and chair-elect of the American Council on Education.

The Catholic University of America, founded in 1887, will confer degrees on more than 900 undergraduate and 600 graduate students at this year's commencement.

COLUMBUS, Ohio (AP) — President Bush on Thursday gave states and cities greater freedom to sell to private investors many public facilities built with federal help — including airports, bridges, roads and sewage treatment plants.

Bush said that in many cases, private companies can provide public services "more fairly and more efficiently" than governments.

"The move was promoted as a revenue raiser for cash-starved states and communities. However, it was opposed wary by the National Governors' Association, the U.S. Conference of Mayors and others.

"We're somewhat skeptical of this thing," said Tom Cochrane, executive director of the mayors' organization. Similarly, Rae Bond, public affairs director of the governors' association, said "This has not been on the governors' main agenda."

Airlines expressed concern that private ownership of airports would bring higher operating costs for the carriers.

And Walter Shea, president of the AFL-CIO's Transportation Trades Department, complained, "For America's transportation workers, this call for privatization carries with it the frightening prospect that their jobs may soon be parceled out to the highest bidder.

Bush announced his action on an abbreviated trip to Ohio. He cut back his appearances to consult with Attorney General William Barr, after violence flared in Los Angeles following the acquittal of four police officers in the videotaped beating of black motorist Rodney King.

After canceling an appearance at Bluffsvie Elementary School, Bush addressed the Ohio Association of Broadasters convention. He also attended a dinner to help Ohio's Republicans raise $600,000 for his own campaign and state GOP races.

He called the violence in Los Angeles "mob brutality of the ugliest kind." He pledged to "do my level best to heal the wounds and to bring people together in aftermath of the ugliness that we witnessed last night. A president should do no less."

The dinner has caused a stir, with Democrats filing a complaint with the Ohio Elections Commission claiming the state GOP strong-armed lobbyists and others to buy tickets costing up to $10,000. Although Republicans denied the charges, GOP Gov. George Voinovich reprimanded his chief of staff last week for sending out a letter on the governor's stationery soliciting the purchase of tickets.

It was Bush's second trip to Columbus in just 11 days, underscoring the importance of the Midwestern industrial state in the presidential campaign.

The privatization announcement was the latest step in Bush's recent conversion to a campaign for deregulation, following a growth in federal red tape in the first three years of his administration.

In an executive order, Bush directed that states and local governments may be allowed to keep a larger share of the profits from the sale of facilities built with the help of federal funds. Traditionally, Washington has demanded a hefty share of the proceeds.

The order said assets that could be sold include — but are not limited to — roads, tunnels, bridges, electric plants, mass transit and rail facilities, airports, ports, waterways, water supply facilities, recycling and wastewater treatment facilities, solid waste disposal facilities, public housing, schools, prisons and hospitals.

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Top 10 News Stories of 1991-92

1. "Swim team bus crashes" 
   Two members of the Notre Dame women's swim team were killed early Jan. 24 when a United Limo bus carrying the team overturned on the Indiana Toll Road. Freshmen Colleen Hipp and Margaret "Meghan" Beeler died and over 30 other were injured, including freshman Haley Scott, who remained in the hospital with serious back injuries for six weeks. 
   January 24, 1992

2. "Burtchaell to resign amid sexual misconduct charges"
   ND Theology Professor James Burtchaell agreed to resign amid charges of sexual misconduct with male undergraduates, according to an article in the National Catholic Reporter. 
   December 3, 1991

3. "Faculty, administration negotiating agreement"
   Amid calls for a no-confidence vote, faculty and administration representatives agreed on a compromise to help resolve faculty concerns about their role in academic governance. 
   April 22, 1992

4. "Temporary hiring freeze now in effect in Arts and Letters"
   A $425,000 "budgetary glitch" caused a temporary hiring freeze in the College of Arts and Letters. The freeze targeted the five-to-ten new faculty positions anticipated for the 1992-93 academic year. 
   October 29, 1991

5. "Pangborn Hall chosen to house women"
   Pangborn Hall was selected to be converted to a women's residence hall next year to accommodate an increase in female students at the University. 
   December 4, 1991

6. "Malloy reelected University President"
   University President Father Edward Malloy was elected to a second five-year term by the Board of Trustees. He lauded alumni as instrumental to the success of his first term. 
   October 30, 1991

7. "Loretto renovation certain; SMC community divided"
   The Church of Loretto at Saint Mary's will be renovated in order to correct a number of structural deficiencies. Many at Saint Mary’s are opposed to the changes. 
   November 20, 1991

8. "Bush will speak at graduation"
   President George Bush will address 1992 Notre Dame graduates. Senator Daniel Patrick Moynihan will receive the Laetare Medal at commencement exercises. 
   March 30, 1992

9. "Task Force chair discusses new smoking policy"
   Out of concern for the health and well-being of the Notre Dame community, smoking was prohibited in all buildings, stadiums or vehicles owned, leased or operated by the University. 
   March 19, 1992

10. "Butrus/O'Neill winners of presidential race"
    Greg Butrus and Molly O'Neill won the election for student body president and vice president receiving 50.8 percent of the votes cast in the four-ticket race. 
    February 11, 1992

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Students on Friday.

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Undergrad education addressed

By COLLEEN KNIGHT
News Writer

As Notre Dame becomes a "National Catholic Research University," concerned students, faculty and administrators are working together to ensure that the quality of undergraduate education will not suffer.

In February, student government presented the Board of Trustees with an extensive report on the issue. In the "Back to Basics" report, they revealed that undergraduate education was indeed suffering in the transition to a research university, proven by larger classes, lower course availability, and less student-faculty interaction.

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S. Africa struggles amidst unrest

By SARAH DORAN

South Africa, in its ongoing state of unrest, raises the issue of how to put together a legitimate government in the twenty-first century because the country represents a microcosm of the universe, according to Peter Walše, professor of government.

"South Africa is the most polarized society on the planet with the top five percent of the population owning 88 percent of the country," said Walše in his lecture "South Africa in Transition: Political Values and Legitimate Government."

The 36 million inhabitants of the country are composed of 27 million Africans and three million whites while the other six million are from mixed races, he said.

The country that has been running under its modern political structure since it was set up in 1910 by the British Parliament, has been experiencing heavy government turmoil since the 1950s. The turmoil is rooted in the segregation of land that occurred in 1913 which allotted 87 percent of the country to the white minority and the other 13 percent to blacks, Walše said.

After the country was segregated, an industrial revolution occurred, but only within the white population, which was built upon black labor, he said.

Three periods of unrest have occurred in the history of the current South African government, Walše said.

The first period of unrest was during the 1950s with the defiance campaign. The Black Consciousness Movement led by Stephen Biko, whose story was recently made into a movie, "Cry Freedom," was the second period of unrest in the 1970s, he said.

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I Corinthians 12:26

Introduction

Much has been written about demographic shifts currently taking place in the United States. It is projected that by the year 2000 one-third of all high school aged youth will be African American, Asian American, Latino or Native American. The much debated implications of these shifts are far reaching. The University of Notre Dame stands at a crossroad on the question of its role in this regard, as the nation prepares for these demographic changes in the 21st century. The first road involves cosmetic changes or tinkering. The second road—that preferred by the Task Force—involves building on what has been achieved by virtue of the 1987 Provost's Committee on Minority Students Report, by undergraduate groups including Student Government and the Faculty and by the commitments and accomplishments of Father Edward A. Malloy's first five years, and charts a course which can be distinctively Notre Dame.

The higher education community has a vital role to play as acknowledged by national associations including the American Council on Education, the American Association of Higher Education, and the National Association of Independent Colleges and Universities. Each of these organizations has devoted considerable effort to issues of cultural diversity through conferences, publications, and other forums. In fact, 40% of colleges and universities nationwide have already developed programs and academic initiatives under the rubric of cultural diversity. The visibility of form and substance, however, varies widely. Notre Dame is certainly counted among the universities that have taken such steps. The steps, however, represent only the beginning of where we need to go.

Cultural Diversity at Notre Dame, From 1988 to the Present

Increase in minority presence

On February 22, 1988, Father Edward A. Malloy, C.S.C., president of the University of Notre Dame, announced a University-wide plan to increase minorities at Notre Dame. The University recognized a pattern of decreasing minority enrollment in higher education, particularly among African Americans and Hispanics, as a national problem with far reaching consequences. The administration expressed its desire to create a University community enriched by increased minority presence among students, faculty and administrators.

The plan was comprehensive, and included provisions for the appointment of a senior administrator responsible for its general implementation, the designation of contacts with special responsibilities in specific areas, the recruitment and retention of significant numbers of minority undergraduate students, the development of an environment supportive and friendly to increased minority presence on campus, and the dedication of special funds to achieve these goals (Cultural Minority Report press release, February 22, 1988).

What were the results?

The goal of a 15% of minority presence was reached for the incoming freshman class in 1989. Twelve million dollars was added to the eight million dollars then available in a special endowment fund set aside for minority scholarship aid. A total of fifteen minority faculty for the four colleges and the Law School was met, though in some cases, and according to the proviso of the appointment through the selection of women. Cultural celebrations and a "Year of Cultural Diversity" were planned and took place in support of this effort.

Two events took place in the 1990-1991 academic year which captured the attention of the University community. The first was the mobilization of the Students United for Respect (SURF). SURF publicized issues which, from their perspective, if left unchecked, would impair the broader University goals of cultural diversity. The second event was Father Malloy's open letter on cultural diversity to the Notre Dame Community.

Students United for Respect (SURF)

During the 1990-1991 academic year, a group of minority students formed an organization called "Students United for Respect," to publicize what they perceived to be a lack of commitment on the part of the University to their special situation. They included among their demands the granting of assurance to current minority faculty and additional minority faculty hiring, the construction of a multicultural center, and, additional and enhanced financial aid packages for minority students. SURF's activities for the academic year included a one day occupation of the Office of the Registrar.

In April, 1991, SURF sought and received official recognition as a student organization. Improvements were made in financial aid need-based packages including assistance with travel expenses, books and related expenditures. As a result of the financial assistance application fees. Administration commitments included the issuance of a special letter to the community on the status of cultural diversity on the Notre Dame campus and the establishment of a Task Force on cultural diversity to study the situation and make recommendations.

Father Malloy's Letter to the University Community

Father Malloy's April, 1991 letter referred to achievements in the area of cultural diversity during the first four years of his administration, including an increase from 4% to 15% of minority faculty in the endowment funds for financial aid to minority students, a minority faculty development program, a summer faculty conference on diversity, and revisions to broaden the cultural diversity of the curriculum, the setting and achievement of a goal of minority recruitment among incoming students of 15%, and the development of the Black Alumni of Notre Dame.

Father Malloy also indicated areas of concern in his letter, including dispelling the notion that ethnic minority students are at Notre Dame under "false pretenses' rather than to develop their potential, the development and promotion of lasting friendships across ethnic lines, and the differences in recognition and acceptance afforded students from ethnic minorities as opposed to their ethnic peers.

Membership on the Task Force

In selecting membership for the task force, Father Malloy solicited recommendations from minority undergraduate student groups and organizations, including SURF, the officers and the deans.

The task force was comprised of the following persons:

Roland B. Smith, Jr. and Richard V. Warner, C.S.C., co-chairs; from the administration and staff; Angie J. Chamberlin, Maria M. Fuentes, Demetrious H. Marlowe, Thomas H. McDermott, C.S.C., Roger Mullins and Kevin M. Rooney; from the faculty, Sharon L. O'Brien, Patricia A. O'Hara, Jean M. A. Porter, F. Clark Power, Thomas O. Smith and Arvind Varma; from the students, Michael E. Allen, Joseph O. Blanot, Deswood C. Elstify, Nicole J. Farmer, Mari Ishibashi, Yolanda Knight, Richard D. Ruiz, Max L. Siegel and Joseph R. Wilson; student research, John D. Kuo.

Definition of Terms

It is clear that there is a varying understanding and use of the terms "minority" and "cultural diversity" throughout the University community. A prevalent interpretation of "cultural diversity" and "affirmative action" on campus is that it means African American. As indicated by the questionnaire sent to all faculty, the diversity of "minority" which would include those groups traditionally underrepresented within American society.

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The Mission Statement

We reviewed various mission statements throughout the University, including those found in undergraduate and graduate bulletins, academic departmental descriptions as they appear in the undergraduate and graduate bulletins, brochures from admissions and student affairs offices. The PAGE report included a mission statement obvious in the various University self-descriptions and bulletins which makes clear the commitment to cultural diversity. In order to assist the University in its desire to build a culturally diverse community, Father Malloy recommended that the University's mission statement(s) should include specific reference to the importance of developing an environment that promotes and upholds values of cultural diversity among the students, faculty and staff. Such an environment should extend not only to the educational or academic aspects of the University but should also include its traditions and receive preferential attention in the allocation of resources.

We believe that it is imperative that the University's commitment to cultural diversity be well enumerated in all mission statements, and offer the following suggestion to the University and the Comity for the Year 2000:

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Curriculum

Members of the task force spoke with the liaison with the Arts and Letters committee which is looking into the issue of an Arts and Letters requirement on cultural diversity. There was also an analysis of general questions sent to all units, including departments, and meetings with the dean of the Freshman Year Studies and others.

The offering of courses pertinent to cultural diversity cannot be accomplished without the hiring of more minority faculty, in particular, and the hiring of more faculty in general as is to allow the University to teach in these areas the time to teach such courses.

We recommend:

- that every department/unit in the University rewrite bulletins and procedures to reflect this commitment;
- that the University adopt a universal definition of "minority" which would include those groups traditionally underrepresented within American society.

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Recruitment of a More Culturally Diverse Undergraduate Student Body

Admissions

Task force members interviewed the director of undergraduate admissions and reviewed the 1991-92 minority recruitment plan. The University has met and exceeded its established goal, set in 1988, of recruiting an entering class in which 15% were students of color. Minority students represent 14% of the student body in 1991-92. We believe the University is hampered in attracting and retaining a greater minority student enrollment by its lack of funding resources and support services.

It is imperative for the success of this effort that increased financial resources be allocated to assist in recruiting and retaining socio-economically disadvantaged students. In an effort to provide an aid package competitive with peer institutions, the University has increased its financial aid resources and improved its academic and non-academic support services.

We recommend:
- that the Office of Undergraduate Admissions continue its current effort to recruit a diverse student body;
- that the University establish enrollment goals and provide the financial resources necessary to reach the goals while developing strategies to maintain the enrollment of ethnic minorities who have been traditionally and historically disadvantaged economically and underrepresented.

Financial aid

We reflected upon information received from interviews with the director of financial aid and the director of undergraduate admissions, and from surveys completed by the commanders of the ROTC units.

There has been clear progress in the area of enhancing financial aid since the proclamation of the 1988 plan. The task force recognizes the clear priority of the Office of University Relations and of certain donors in support of these concerns. Since 1990, a new financial aid plan designed for freshmen in which 15% are students of color. Minority students represent 14% of the student body in 1991-92. We believe the University is hampered in attracting and retaining a greater minority student enrollment by its lack of funding resources and support services.

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Recruitment of a More Culturally Diverse Faculty

Task force members reviewed the 1990-91 Academic Affirmative Action Report, and studied an analysis of faculty positions by ethnicity for 1991-92, provided by Office of Institutional Research. We also interviewed the associate provost responsible for the office of social and cultural diversity, and the chair of the Academic Affirmative Action Committee.

Affirmative action seems to be a genuine priority for the individual colleges, as expressed by the deans, and for the University as a whole, as stated by the provost.

We recommend:
- that the University continue to maintain as a priority the securing of funds for scholarships, particularly as an essential component of aggressive minority recruitment, and that the present system of providing reliable financial packages over the entire four years of need be maintained;
- that financial resources be sought to complete the funding of ROTC scholarships for some minority students who demonstrate unmet financial need.

Undergraduate Support Services - Academic

Members of the task force interviewed and surveyed the deans of the Colleges and of Freshman Year about the various support services in place for undergraduates.

The Balfour-Hesburgh Scholars program, which has been in existence for five years has been effective in assisting students in their overall adjustment to college life and has had a positive influence in retention rates in the College of Science. Retention efforts are not as effective in the College of Engineering. The AETNA Summer program has only been in existence for one year, and will continue for two more years. Future funding for the AETNA program is currently unsecured.

No formal support or mentoring programs currently exist in the Colleges of Science, Business Administration or Arts and Letters. Such programs would be beneficial to all students, including minority undergraduates.

CANDAX McNair is the short designation for the cooperative structure which includes Clark Atlanta University, Notre Dame, and Xavier University. Its purpose is to identify, encourage and prepare current undergraduates from underrepresented groups to pursue doctoral degrees.

An interview was conducted with the associate provost who serves as director of International Programs. Programs are available in fifteen countries for undergraduates and three for graduate students, with a total of 500 students participating.

Participation by African American students in overseas programs is limited due to financial and cultural reasons. Hispanic students are particularly attracted to the programs in Toledo, Spain and Mexico City, and also participate in the full variety of other programs.

There are currently only three programs in Third World countries (Chile, Egypt and Mexico). Some of the reasons for this are because it is difficult to organize programs in the developing world due to worries about political instability, living conditions, and standards of participating schools.

We recommend:
- that the Minority Engineering Program offerings, which are running on soft money, be closely monitored for their success and possible imitation in other colleges;
- that there be an enhancement of academic support, particularly funding for the AETNA program and summer funding for course development in culturally diverse courses in Freshman seminar and writing courses;
- that the curriculum of the College of Engineering be examined in order to provide more flexibility (i.e., offer more off sequence courses);
- that each of the colleges designate a representative group of faculty to serve as resources for the CANDAX McNair and other programs;
- that each college formalize its efforts to identify summer research and graduate student opportunities for promising minority students;

Undergraduate Support Services - Residentiality

A data gathering process took place which included 25...
Affairs, develop strategies and methods for recruiting ethnic minorities for the Office of Student Affairs; and with several students of color, about recruiting ethnic minorities for the Office of Student Affairs, as well as with the rectors and the Office of Minority Student Administrative staff; Interviews were conducted with the director and the other activities that will assist in creating an environment within the residence halls that promotes and upholds cultural diversity values. 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The University currently has seven hundred culturally diverse students. More workshops to educate all counselors on the needs and cultures of all students; with the cooperation of the University Counseling Center than the percentage of other comparable groups. The University Counseling Center is more focused on providing services to minority students, as compared to the University Counseling Center as a whole. The University Counseling Center, however, does feel that this is an important issue and one that merits further in depth study before a recommendation can be made to the appropriate authorities. We recommend: - that the Office of Student Residences continue to manage diversity in freshman housing assignments so as to maximize the opportunity for inter-racial room assignments; - that the Office of Student Affairs review on a regular basis the system by which rooms are assigned to incoming students; - that the Office of Student Affairs, in cooperation with all rectors, develop policies, programs, and activities that will assist in creating an environment within the residence halls that promotes and upholds cultural diversity values. 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Interviews were conducted with the director and the assistant director of the Office of Minority Student Affairs, as well as with several students of color, about the goals, activities and difficulties experienced in the office. Both the director, an African American, and the assistant director, a Hispanic, are new this year, so this has been a period of learning about the job and its possibilities. The Office of Student Affairs added a new assistant vice president to its senior staff in the fall of 1991. An African American was hired to fill this position. Among other responsibilities, this person supervises the Office of Minority Student Affairs. There is a perceived reality on campus that the issues of minority affairs and cultural diversity are basically about African American issues, and the Office is seeking to respond to this perception. The basic concern is that, with approximately 1,100 students to attend to, there is not yet adequate funding for equipment and supplies, and there is a need for expansion of staff. One of the areas which the task force intended to study was the advisability and possibility of establishing a multicultural center at Notre Dame. Because of time constraints and the complexity of the issues, and because there are so many different and even opposing viewpoints with regard to this matter, it was not possible for this study to be completed in time for inclusion in this report. The members of the task force, however, do feel that this is an important issue and one that merits further in depth study before a recommendation can be made to the appropriate authorities. We recommend: - that the Office of Minority Student Affairs receive the level of funding required to adequately expand the population for which it is responsible; - that the Office of Minority Student Affairs work closely with the Office of Student Affairs in further development of programs to enhance the atmosphere on campus in relation to cultural diversity; - that the Office of Minority Student Affairs be a critical component of the Lilly Programming; - that a special ad hoc committee be appointed to study the advisability and feasibility of establishing a "multicultural center." The University Counseling Center Cultural diversity amongst African Americans, Native Americans, Hispanics, Asian Americans and international students is sufficiently complex to suggest the need for counselors of color. Recent experience has indicated that a higher percentage of minority students tend to use the services of the University Counseling Center than the percentage of other comparable groups. This usage increases when counselors of color are available at the University Counseling Center. We recommend: - that the University Counseling Center hire more minority counselors; - that the University Counseling Center utilize more workshops to educate all counselors on the needs and cultures of all students; - that greater outreach be done to encourage greater use of the University Counseling Center by culturally diverse students. Campus Ministry Campus Ministry has made an attempt in recent years to be more attentive to the concerns of students of faith traditions other than Catholic. Ecumenical prayer services are held five or six times a year. Lists of local churches are made available to students of other faith traditions and transportation is provided by many churches. Regular contact and support is maintained with the several congregations, and a retreat opportunity for non-Catholic Christians was provided this past year. The Campus Ministry staff includes two Asian Americans and one African American. The University currently has seven hundred international students from seventy countries. These and U.S. born students (and faculty and staff) represent many faiths and traditions, including Buddhist, Hindu, Moslem, Jewish, and Protestant. We recommend: - that consideration ought to be given again to providing space for worship for students of other faith traditions. Office of Career Placement Services The Office of Career Placement Services has integrated into its mission statement the goals of cultural diversity. To date, the office has undertaken four initiatives including interviewing at Notre Dame because of their failure to uphold the office's standards in this regard. The office has also sponsored in-house training sessions. Graduate Program: Recruitment, Financial Aid, Support Services Interviews were conducted with the director of admissions of the Graduate School, the Law School, and with the director of M.B.A. program. Between 1986 and 1991, 3.5% of the doctorate degrees awarded at Notre Dame went to minorities - one African American, one American Indian, four Asian Americans, and nine Hispanics. Receiving degrees at Notre Dame is due in large part to the Patricia Roberts Harris Fellowships Program. Funded by the United States Department of Education, the program was designed by Notre Dame to provide assistance to Hispanic graduate students. The University has accomplished little in the area of graduate student recruitment, due to the illness of the graduate school minority recruitment officer. The Graduate School has informal links with Xavier and Clark Atlanta, but no formal links with any college for graduating large numbers of minority students. Outside of this, however, there is no network to bring minority students to Notre Dame. The lack of minority faculty has inhibited recruitment and retention of minority graduate students. This is rhetoric, but no directives from the top administration for departments to recruit minority graduate students seriously. This is important because more departments make their own admission decisions. The Graduate School currently maintains no statistics on the retention rates of minority graduate students, thereby making it very difficult to assess the problem. The lack of data on graduate students from faith traditions other than Catholicism make it difficult to assess the religious needs of post-baccalaureate students. There is also no clear definition of "minority graduate student." We believe that the commitment to increasing and retaining minority enrollment at the graduate level must come from the top down and be communicated throughout the institution. We recommend: - that the Graduate School work more closely with individual departments in the recruitment and retention of minority graduate students; - that the Graduate School increase the number of fellowships funded at a competitive amount for minority graduate students; - that the University adopt a clear and consistent definition of "minority" for use in graduate school funding procedures; - that the University maintain adequate statistics on retention rates of minority graduate students; - that the University continue to support the International Institute of Peace Studies Program. University Committees which Review Affirmative Action Issues Academic Affirmative Action Committee Members of the task force interviewed the liaison with the Office of the Provost and the chair of the Academic Affirmative Action Committee, and reviewed reports of the past five years. In the last three years, the committee has become much more proactive than previously when it functioned as simply to convey status to the Office of the Provost. There was a request from the committee, supported by the Office of the Provost, that each department formulate its own goals. The committee is working under a vague and undefined
identification of responsibility within the University for cultural diversity issues

the task force attempted to determine current practices and solicit recommendations by sending an open-ended questionnaire to approximately 150 departments and units throughout the University.

the questions asked were:
1) Please list, and briefly explain, current policies relating to issues of cultural diversity and affirmative action within your department/area; and
2) Please list, and briefly explain, any future plans or suggested policies which you intend to implement, or would recommend to the Committee on Cultural Diversity for follow-up.

seventy-four of 146 departments/units responded.

procedures for handling complaints concerning cultural diversity

there are no procedures for handling disputes between faculty and staff which arise on issues of cultural diversity. the grievance procedure for staff members has been distributed to department heads and supervisors, but it is not clear how widely the policy is known to staff.

a policy for reporting grievances currently exists. alleged incidents involving students or a student and a faculty or staff member are reported to the office of residence life, and alleged incidents by faculty members are reported to the chair of the academic department. alleged incidents by staff members are reported to the director of human resources. specific mention of remedies or procedures for discriminatory harassment are lacking.

we recommend:
1) that the current grievance procedure for faculty and staff be expanded to include language that addresses discriminatory harassment and that the possibility of a peer review panel be studied. this new policy should be made available in clear language to all present employees and to all new employees as a part of their orientation;
2) that the University appoint an ombudsperson to handle complaints in the area of cultural diversity and affirmative action, with a high priority of each of the colleges. the ombudsperson should be clearly defined and be part of all appointment and promotion considerations.
3) that a staff affirmative action report similar to that for the faculty be published annually;
4) that the Academic Affirmative Action Committee and the Academic Affirmative Action Committee meet periodically to coordinate their efforts.
5) that the University designate specific individuals at all appropriate levels with responsibility for attaining cultural diversity objectives. this responsibility must be an integral part of each job description with an annual review of performance in this area;
6) that the Office of Institutional Research be adequately staffed and funded to provide appropriate data on a timely basis so that better statistics can be maintained on issues related to cultural diversity and affirmative action, and so that decisions can be made more effectively on the basis of adequate information.

transitional recommendation

an implementation committee selected from among the members of the task force, will develop an action plan based on the recommendations contained in this report. this action plan will be completed and presented to Father Edward Malloy before September 1, 1992.

respectfully submitted,
the task force on cultural diversity
May 1, 1992

APPENDIX

recommendations of the academic affirmative action committee

1. the goal of achieving a truly diverse faculty is too important to be sacrificed to short term financial considerations.
2. it is essential to recognize that quality, the maintenance of a Catholic identity, and cultural diversity are co-equal priorities of the University. they must not be seen as in conflict with one another, or used as excuses for lack of progress in one area or another.

3. the University needs to acknowledge that the creation of a truly diverse faculty is not simply a matter of achieving percentages. it also entails the creation of an atmosphere in which women and members of all ethnic groups feel welcome and part of the academic community.
4. the University needs to reaffirm on a regular basis its commitment to affirmative action and to state publicly that it is one of the highest priorities of the institution.
5. the administration should clarify its procedures and funding methods for implementing and improving affirmative action hires and retention.
6. achieving faculty diversity should be carefully factored into the University's larger allocation of budgetary resources, both for the hiring of new faculty and the retention of existing faculty.
7. deans and departments should continue to be pressed administratively to maintain diversity as a high priority in hiring decisions.
8. in order to develop and recruit women and minority candidates, special fellowships, post-doctoral appointments, and visiting faculty positions should be targeted at these underrepresented groups.
9. issues of family, particularly as they affect the retention of women, continue to be a pressing concern. areas which still need attention include a spousal hiring policy and the provision of child care facilities.
10. the creation of a truly diverse faculty should be regularly and publicly reasserted as a high priority of each of the colleges. departmental chairs and appointment and promotion committees should be regularly reminded of the importance of generating a list of candidates which reflects the diversity of the availability pool.
11. departments should be encouraged to show a certain amount of flexibility in respect to defining their particular sub-disciplinary needs when these needs act as impediments to the achievement of affirmative action goals.
12. economic resources in the form of faculty lines and visiting positions should be allocated so as to encourage and assist departments in achieving affirmative action goals.
13. affirmative action goals and strategies should be clearly defined and be part of all appointment and promotion considerations.
14. actions should be taken to insure that, whenever a search is conducted, the candidate list reflects the diversity of the larger population. networking and the consultation of minority vita data banks should be used to expand the candidate pool to include women and minorities.
15. an effort should be made to incorporate women and minority faculty into departmental governance, including participation in searches, curriculum development, and appointment and promotion decisions.
16. efforts should be made to provide faculty guidance and resources to encourage and support promising female and minority undergraduates to pursue an academic career.
Diversity continued from page 1

providing a selection of courses pertinent to Cultural Diversity.

That the support services include the opportunity for greater inter-racial residentially, a greater number of minority counselors for the counseling office, and the Office of Minority Affairs receives greater financial support.

That each department adapt their own policy for obtaining Cultural Diversity objectives.

The information included in the report was compiled by bearings in residence halls, and surveys issued to department heads and other officials on campus.

We wanted to find out what kind of policies were in place at the departmental level and also to give people the opportunity to give suggestions about what might be done in the future," he said.

Smith said that he was disappointed with the responses given to the solicitations because many suggestions were not given compared to the number of surveys that were sent out.

"Other than those that responded, people simply just didn't have a sense of kinds things they could have said," Smith added.

The implementation committee assigned by the Task Force will continue to work through the summer in order to get the approved plans finalized for presentation to Malloy by September 1.

Warner realizes that this Task Force has a long way ahead of them, but thinks they have a good foundation and a tradition of openness and concern.

"We have to learn together how to live together," said Warner, "and if we don't then all the task forces in the world can't help us."
Happy 21st Birthday BRY!

May 14th

Love, Mom, Dad, Kevin & Amy

Clarissa Dalloway THANKS Th Saint Mary's Community especially

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Mary was warm, sunny and sunny striking down into the bowls of the earth, pouring more deliciousness between me and the universe

in the star chamber under the dome.
young wishing, hurtful, that's all you seem to do

in the attic department. your time is gonna come

throughout the year. I'm so glad you have kept all

a creeping disease!!

are the best!!!!!!!!! I love you!!!!

HAPPY 21st BIRTHDAY

Good luck on your finals.

Congratulations to the Walsh soccer team for a season well done!

Mary has been great. You guys are the best roommates ever! From "emergency plumbers" to my wigging out to awesome 21st day parties, this has been a ton of fun. Get ready for the Annex and Marion Street. Girls, it's gonna be even better! Love, Nelding

SZA—just keeping looking... I bet you find your own "fame." (long silence)

Dear Kate,
Happy Belated Birthday!!!!

[Long silence]

Love,

Mike B.

Dear friend of the LoBack, don't eat the tv, I give you my beautiful Mrs. Purple Shoes with Crimson Soles and Crimson Lining!!

Lady, let me take a look at you now.

Meredith McCullough:

Have an incredibly awesome time in London next semester. Drink lots of French wine, German beer and English ale. And, when you wonder what you wanted to use the U.S. for a while, just think about all of us. Love (and other indoor sports). The Observer News and Account departments. P.S. Can we get the queen's autograph?

Michael, your last personal of the year, I'm glad you have kept all of them. I hope they brought you laughter and some happiness! You are the best!!! I love you!!!

Renee

Happy 22nd birthday Chris!!! I collect on the pitcher of beer later

[Long silence]

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HELP! HELP! HELP! HELP!

You are finally 21! It's about time the Mexican can be useful for something!!! But really, HAPPY BIRTHDAY FABIAN!!!

from your roommates

SAINT MARY SPORTS WRITERS

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HAPPY 21st BIRTHDAY

Wishing you a world of love and happiness.

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Happy 22nd birthday Chris!!

Sarah, good luck in Texas!

[Long silence]

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King verdict sparks nationwide protests

(AP) — Protesters rallied nationwide Wednesday to denounce the verdict in the Rodney King beating case, and blacks attacked white leaders demanded federal civil rights charges against the white Los Angeles officers who beat the black motorist.

"There were rioters not only in Los Angeles. The anger is all over this country," said a lawyer of New York said at a news conference by black lawmakers at the U.S. Capitol. "The Rodney King was on the ground getting beat, we were all on the ground getting beat."

Demonstrations were held in cities throughout the nation. In contrast to the deadly scene in Los Angeles, most of the demonstrations elsewhere were peaceful. But in Atlanta, young blacks left a peaceful demonstration at City Hall and attacked whites at a downtown subway station. Windows were smashed and passersby were beaten. A shopping and entertainment complex was ransacked, bus service to downtown was suspended and police made numerous arrests.

"This is how Rodney King felt," rioters yelled as they stomped on a white man and ripped off his shirt. About 15 blacks beat a white newspaper photographer and a white woman who had driven past in her car. Another white woman was beaten and kicked on the steps of a state office building. About 100 young black protesters hurled rocks at buildings and cars. Twenty people were hurt, at least one seriously, hospital officials said.

In Northern California, several hundred demonstrators marched from the campus of the University of California at Berkeley across the Bay Bridge to San Francisco, blocking access to Interstate 80, a key commuter route.

And protesters in San Francisco blocked the northbound lanes of Interstate 280, another commuter route, causing traffic jams. Protesters in San Jose, Calif., smashed downtown shop windows during an early morning march.

Two students were arrested for fighting during a demonstration at a high school in Odenton, Md., where about 75 students protested by refusing to go to class.

Fights erupted between black and white students at a Tennessee high school. Students said the fights appeared to be in response to the verdict.

Cleveland police arrested a man who disrupted a peaceful rally by twice driving by in a van while waving a flag showing a swastika. "Part of the crowd chased the van, but it sped away in the wrong lane of a road.

And in Madison, Wis., some­one shattered the windshields of 24 police squad cars parked at a garage. A note at the scene said "Justice for King" and "All pigs must die."

Few court decisions have prompted such nationwide out­pourings. Those denouncing Wednesday's verdict included black leaders, police chiefs, civil libertarians and ordinary citi­zens, all of whom said what they saw on video didn't square with the jury's decision.

Jury: King testimony might have altered verdict

SIMI VALLEY, Calif. (AP) — Members of the jury that ac­quitted four white Los Angeles policemen in the beating of a black motorist said race played on part, but the verdict might have been different if the man had testified.

One juror said she had held out for convictions.

Juries were interviewed by various news organizations on conditions they not be identi­fied, so it was unclear how many jurors talked about the verdict.

"In my opinion, based on all of the evidence that was pre­sented to us, it is not a racial thing," one juror said Thursday on CNN. "I am not unhappy with the verdict, that's the only verdict that could have been reached."

The jury that acquitted the officers of assaulting Rodney King was made up of 10 whites, one Asian and one Hispanic. There were expressions of hor­ror Thursday at the rioting that followed the verdicts.

A juror interviewed by tele­phone on the "Today" show said race "had absolutely nothing to do with the incident. Had the man been white, had he been of Oriental descent, had he been anything and acted as Rodney King did, he would have been given the same treatment."

A juror was quoted on ABC's "Nightline" as saying: "Had King been able to talk to us, the video might have been looked at differently."

King's lawyer said the mo­torist didn't testify because he had nothing to add to the video. A prosecutor said he didn't call King because King's memory would have been clouded by the beating and by his drinking that night.

The juror interviewed by ABC said the verdict was influenced by all the evidence, not just the videotape of the beating. "I have no regrets about the verdict," the juror said. A juror on CNN also said he had no second thoughts.

At least one juror was quoted as saying the trial had reached decisions to acquit on 10 of 11 counts the first day and spent the rest of its six days on the final count.

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"I feel safer with aerials," he said. "The video is less likely to incite an angry reaction as opposed to a tight shot. Also, the ground camera opens up a possibility of people doing things for the camera."

News coverage boosted late night ratings Wednesday for ABC, which said its "Nightline" had a 10.5 rating and a 25 share in 25 overnight markets. NBC, by comparison, had a 7.8 rating, 19 share and CBS followed with a 4.6 rating, 13 share. Both NBC and CBS stuck to their regular programs.

One ratings point equals 921,000 TV homes; a share is the percentage of TV sets in use that are tuned to a show in its time period.

CNN more than tripled its ratings for the evening. In the cable universe where one ratings point equals 590,000 homes, CNN's coverage peaked at a 3.1 rating and a 5.0 share at 10:45 p.m. EDT.

On a "typical" news day, CNN would average a .6 rating for that time period. For the night, CNN averaged a 1.8 rating, compared with an ordinary night's 4 to .5 average.

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Dear Editor:

On January 2, 1992, our daughter Julie committed suicide at the age of 18. She had attended Notre Dame for the first two months of the fall semester, after which she was hospitalized for major depression. The problem, we thought, had been identified and professional assistance was being sought. It was the most heart- 
churning time of our lives. The loss of Julie was the beginning of devastating confusion and perplexity.

Julie's vibrant, unselfish life was cut short by an agonizing terminal illness, an illness which can go beyond the bounds of the rational mind and turn against it. Sufferers of the chemical imbalance, a brain disease, created by clinical depression must fight, like cancer victims, not to be consumed by their nemesis. But, unlike victims of cancer and other terminal illnesses, termin-

PARENTS OF SUICIDE VICTIM DESCRIBE PAIN

Parents of suicide victim describe pain

nal victims of major depression die by suicide. And suicide, throughout history, has been surrounded by myths which leave a permanent and unremoving stigma on those who must confront it. In order for progressive insight toward the treatment of this illness to oc-
cur, the myths must be questioned and the stigma resisted. It is estimated that as many as 90,000 persons die in the United States annually as a result of suicide. Most of what we know about depression and other mental illnesses which cause these deaths has been discovered only in the past decade. And regardless of the growing statistics, dying by death is still a highly stigmatized and traumatic experience. Indeed, there are a very few, if any, an-
wswers when coming to terms with the suicide of a loved one. But regarding the death in an altogether removed and iso-
lated way only perpetuates the stigma and does little to stop the numbers from rising.

Our daughter, whom we loved dearly and unconditionally, was very sick and died. Coming to terms with the illness of major depression and the stigma res-
sponsible for the ruins of so many lives confronts us. To do so is to call desperately for open minds, an ability to listen—really listen—to ourselves and others and a responsibility to talk and communicate.

We would like to thank the Notre Dame community for your support and compassion in these most difficult times. The Memorial Service was beautiful and comforting. We will never forget all you've done for us.

Tom and Gloria Ganther
Oshkosh, WI
April 29, 1992

BOOKSTORE REFEREE RESPONSES TO CRITICISM

Bookstore referee responds to criticism

Dear Editor:

I would like to respond briefly to the comments made by Mark McGrath regarding the Bookstore Basketball tourna-
ment, specifically the officiating ("Bookstore Basketball," April 27, 1992). Having had offici-
ated the last six Bookstore tournaments, and the finals of the past three, I have developed a thick skin when it comes to criticism of my officiating. Sometimes it seems like entire 
droms show up just to give the ref ruff. But that's ok, it's part of the territory. So if Mr. McGrath felt that we "did not call things consistently" this year, despite far more positive

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Pain anger brought on by Rodney King verdict

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Today my African American history professor stopped in the middle of class and said, "Rodney King is dead." My head went down, took a deep breath, and fought back the tears welling up. I looked her in the eye. She had been discussing the acquittal of police officers, who in my opinion were not guilty of wrongdoing, and I was having trouble rationalizing her views. She mentioned that the acquittal of the police officers would leave some students feeling confident and others feeling upset and angry. I asked her why they felt that way. She told me that the acquittal of the police officers would leave some students feeling confident that they are doing the right thing and others feeling upset and angry. I asked her why they feel that way. She told me that the acquittal of the police officers would leave some students feeling confident that they are doing the right thing and others feeling upset and angry. I asked her why they feel that way. 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Viewpoint

Monday, May 1, 1992

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Dear Editor:

Noire Dame—a "National Catholic Research University." What do these words mean to you? I think you may be surprised by what I thought about it. Your eyes may slide over that phrase when it appears in the classified section of the University publications. But what, you may say. Why should you be paying very close attention to the future of this University—a mission of this University—a change which is being brought about at a serious cost to undergraduate education.

For those of you who are unaware of this transition, Notre Dame is incurring desperately needed funds to acquire a National Catholic Research University. That relatively recent claim signifies a fundamental change in the mission of this University—a change which is being brought about at a serious cost to undergraduate education.

Four years ago, a University-appointed panel prepared a comprehensive study of the quality of teaching at a regionally accredited university. The panel found evidence of serious and fundamental problems with teaching and undergraduate education at Notre Dame, but their recommendations were not heeded and were overridden by the University administrators.

Other studies have reached nearly identical conclusions. In February, Student Government presented a 7-page report on the ranking of this University by U.S. News and World Report's list of the top 25 national universities. In their report, the students claimed that Notre Dame has concentrated an increasing proportion of its resources on graduate programs and research activities. Meanwhile, we are continually reminded that undergraduate education is as important to the mission of this University as ever.

If you read enough University propaganda, you might even get the impression that undergraduate education is suffering enormously from the privilege of studying at a "National Catholic Research University." Wrong, wrong, wrong. These are classic symptoms of problems inherent in this new title.

First, it is not clear that Notre Dame can follow in the footsteps of research universities and maintain its Catholic identity. If a large secular and Notre Dame may itself finding have to compete at a level. Second, undergraduate education is quite a bit of importance for this "National Catholic Research University." It is the cornerstone of the education that we wish to address here.

No one denies that undergradaute education is important. No one denies the absurdity of focusing student interest in getting classes in their majors. Most of all, no one denies that these conditions are detrimental to the missions of this University. It is not that undergraduate administrators are able to deny that anything they do is important. The findings can be summarized in this way:

For those of you who are interested in teaching excellence. A full 55 percent of faculty members surveyed agree with this statement. Rhetoric about the importance of research is not matched by tangible efforts to support and improve teaching skills.

There can be no doubt that undergraduate education at this campus is suffering as a result of this transition to a "National Catholic Research University." Numerous faculty members and administrators have reported incidents of administration's failure to hire enough faculty to compensate for this loss. undergraduates feel this transition affects them. Administrators at Notre Dame seem to imply that they have a research University and a high-quality undergraduate education. Unfortunately, the only way to gauge levels of dissatisfaction is to hire enough faculty to compensate for this.

No one denies that undergraduate education on this campus is suffering as a result of this transition to a "National Catholic Research University." Fewer students are considering this University as a result of the transition to a "National Catholic Research University." Notre Dame's mission comes with a price. Third, the University does not spend enough faculty to meet these obligations. After reducing teaching loads, the administration failed to hire enough faculty to compensate for the lost graduates.

Inevitably, administrators must be hired to replace the graduate students who have left. This is simply not only a problem. The one thing that increases in the face of these changes is the number of students who leave. A full 55 percent of faculty members have hired enough faculty to meet these obligations.

What can you do about it? First, the University does not spend on undergraduate education. The April 28 letter about the potential hirings, the Provost, the Board of Trustees, and the faculty-student interaction. The faculty have the right to bring these issues to us.

Will the media report this heterogeneous transmission breakthrough? July 21 in the works.

For elaboration on the racial and social factors that come into play, I refer you to Fumento's book. He devotes a chapter in explaining why the frightening numbers coming out of Africa are more myth than fact. Africa is still a continent that needs to be explored. In America, respectively, and perhaps most intriguing, he points out that the cancer death rate for African Americans has been so poorly covered and distorted by the media and government.

To relate one last comparison Fumento gives us of how the imagemakers in America have dealt with AIDS. Imagine that the government was running a campaign against cancer, a disease which strikes, with the exception of 900, and the increased awareness of only women. If the government targeted their lives, it would be providing us with Ads we would see featuring men saying things like, "I used to think breast cancer only struck women..."

For every one featuring a woman. Let that sink in.

If you are still feeling scared about your past behavior, do not hesitate to get tested. An AIDS screening kit comes up positive within a few weeks of the virus and in the vast majority of cases, within six months. The results will bear out what I cannot say in public.

The bottom line is that there are plenty of great reasons to hold off on or abstain from heterosexual intercourse, but under scrutiny fear of AIDS makes it even scarier than it is for them. And with apologies to ACT-UP—the AIDS Coalition to Unleash Power—"Silence = Scared to Death (for no good reason.)

Frank T. Fumento
Law Student
April 27, 1992
**Students prepare to a variety of summer opportunities**

By JAHNELLE HARRIGAN

Accent Editor

It's that time of year again. Some will travel. Others will work. And some have no idea.

It's almost summer, and with finals soon approaching, many Notre Dame and Saint Mary's students have made solid plans for the next three months. But others are still waiting for something to turn up. "I have no clue what I'm doing this summer," said Notre Dame sophomore Heidi Toboni.

Pursuing the possibilities for summer employment, Toboni has sent out 32 letters inquiring about job applications and information to businesses in her home state of New Hampshire. She's had only five responses.

"I have to earn money in a big way because I'm going to London in the fall," she explained.

Toboni is now looking into doing some kind of volunteer work this summer. "I looked into staying here (in South Bend) and working and going to summer school, but you can't live here (on campus) the whole summer and I don't think employers are interested in hiring someone for only a few weeks," said Toboni.

Laura Plouts has also had a hard time finding a summer job.

"I was looking for a job at home in hospitals because I'm Pre-med, but they're just not hiring college kids. At least not this college kid," said the Notre Dame junior from Greensburg, PA.

"It's hard being from a small town. There's not a lot of job opportunities for college kids," she added. "Also, I really haven't been home this semester. That makes it hard (to find a job)."

Pfouts is now thinking about staying in South Bend and attending summer school because of the lack of jobs at home. "I'm trying to find a job here before I decide what to do," she said. Kiddy Arnold understands students' needs for summer employment. As the Director of Career and Placement Services at ND, she handles student resumes and career-related questions on a daily basis.

There are ups and downs to the lack of job opportunities. "I'm very impressed with the seriousness our students take that family obligation," she said.

Chad Sutcliffe, a Notre Dame sophomore from Kennebunk, Maine has three different jobs lined up for this summer. He cites making money as his primary objective for working.

"Part of it goes to tuition. Part of it goes to spending money. Also, I want to buy a car this summer," he said.

Sutcliffe, an engineering major, will gain career-related experience this summer by working 40 hours per week at Costar, a plant in his hometown that produces medical products for labs. "I'm not exactly sure what I'll be doing. It's not very well defined," he explained.

He will also coach a track team of five to 12-year-olds for approximately 10 hours a week, and will wait tables at an area restaurant for 10-20 hours per week.

Saint Mary's freshman Molly Ryan will spend this summer working in construction. "Basically I put up walls and insulation. But I don't get paid a lot," stressed Ryan, from Deephaven, Minn.

Oppontunities

**Students prepare to a variety of summer opportunities**

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I'll be participating in a summer service project in Virginia Beach, VA, at a shelter for battered women and children.

-Andrea Topash  
(freshman)

'Still looking...'

-Steve Franklin  
(freshman)

For this poll, we randomly selected 10 Notre Dame and Saint Mary's freshmen for a poll. All information was compiled and

I'm going on a cruise this summer. (Charlotte singin' girl, dancing, waitin' on a date.)

-John Doe  
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On graduation weekend, I tend to have a field day, behaving like an S.O.B., side-stepping the members of the graduating class who want to see me sad when they say goodbye. Meeting them in the hallways, I skillfully elude the outstretched hands. When anyone says, "I would like you to come to my parents," I answer, "In a minute, but first I need to attend this call of nature."

The student thinks I mean the bathroom, but the call of nature I have in mind is an urge to go birdwatching, preferably on an overnight trip.

What the students don't realize is that by graduation weekend, the fellowship in Middle-earth has already come to an end. The snippets of time devoted to acting a little longer like ball fellows, well met, for the sake of auld lang syne, can be full of pain.

Why hold a wake for a dying school year that could leave you with tears on your face? Why allow some wiz kid on his way out the door to demand a pound of flesh from you as though it were a fringe benefit that came with the scholarship? "It's no skin off your nose if the schlump gets the scholarship?"

For many years, I have gone on graduation Saturday to WSNF-FM for my weekly radio program for children. Some years I play a recording of Peter Ustinov or Richard Burton reading prefatory remarks. "The Little Prince," highlights are the closing of the Mole, and the final, wonderfully lyrical section which describes the ringing of bells all over the night sky and the sound of laughter coming down from that star that F.T. could be living on.

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I remember one old grad whom I house broked as a freshman, studying me as though I were the worn-out couch from Good Will which he carried out to the dumpster as he was getting ready to move out of the dorm.

Finally he said, "Get some new clothes," and he threw a one hundred dollar bill at my feet. "Michael," I said, embarrassed to have money flung at me as though I were an organ-grinder's monkey, "This is the first time I've worn the coat and pants I have on."

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They're surprised to hear me say they could be making better use of their time, of course what they really expect from me is Applause! Applause! Young people let time pour through their fingers as though it were beach sand; they have so much of it available, they think, in the decades ahead, and I hope that they do.

But the young years are so priceless. Yeats wrote: "The years like great black cattle tread the world. And I am broken by their passing feet. But of course this was middle age that Yeats was speaking of, all of us would like a time out or two when we're that far along. After forty, the years can be interchangable in the way they leave us bored.

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L.A. riots affect two games
Clippers, Dodgers contests postponed due to threats

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Thursday night's game between the Los Angeles Dodgers and Philadelphia Phillies was postponed because of the civic unrest that began a day earlier.

The Montreal Expos are scheduled to play a three-game series at Dodger Stadium starting Friday, but some Montreal players were hoping for additional postponements.

"I don't want to go there," Expos second baseman Delino DeShields said Thursday after the Expos beat San Diego 9-3 at Jack Murphy Stadium. "There's no need for us to go there when things are crazy. It'd be better off for everybody, not just us. This game isn't very important. That stuff is a lot more important than a baseball game.

The postponed Phillies-Dodgers game will be rescheduled at a later date. It would have been the finale of a two-game series.

Mobs ignited fires, beat motorists and looted stores throughout Los Angeles after Wednesday's acquittal of four white police officers in the beating of black motorist Rodney King. It was centered in South Central Los Angeles, several miles away from Dodger Stadium, but there were disturbances within a few miles of the ballpark.

The unrest continued Thursday, and a dusk-to-dawn curfew was imposed by Mayor Tom Bradley. The California National Guard and the Los Angeles Fire Department were using the Dodger Stadium parking lot as an emergency staging area.

Earlier in the day, the Los Angeles Clippers' NBA playoff game against the Utah Jazz at the Los Angeles Sports Arena was postponed until Saturday, and Hollywood Park's thoroughbred racing programs of Thursday afternoon and Friday night were canceled.

Tom Candiotti (3-0), scheduled to pitch Thursday night against the Phillies, will pitch against Montreal's Chris Haney (2-1) Friday night, if the game isn't postponed.

Philadelphia will open a three-game series at Candlestick Park against the San Francisco Giants with Kyle Abbott (10-4) scheduled to pitch for the Phillies against Bill Swift (4-0).

Expos spokesman Richard Griffin said the team was spending Thursday night in San Diego and would leave at 1:30 p.m. Friday and travel directly to Dodger Stadium by bus if there is a game.

Griffin said the National League would inform the team at 1 p.m. Friday whether or not to make the trip.

"There's no use taking any chances," Expos shortstop Spike Owen said. "My feeling is there's no use in endangering anybody's safety — the players, the fans, or everybody who works at the stadium."

I don't want to go," said Expos outfielder Larry Walker, who is Canadian. "I'd rather go back to my beautiful country. We don't need to go up there and take the risk of playing some games when they're calling in the National Guard."

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**Mats**

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along with Iowa."

Heavyweight junior Steve King, a potential All-American who was redshirted the past season, flew the coup to the University of Michigan like hot shrimp.

"Coming from Notre Dame, I've always hated Michigan," said King, a native of Janesville, Minn. "But academically, they're actually ranked ahead of Notre Dame."

Like McGrew, King will have an Olympic to train with in 26-year-old assistant coach Curt Tristem, a national champion in 1987.

Sophomore Chris Jensen is due to land on the west coast, perhaps.

"It's close to home (a four hour drive) and they've been in the top-20 the last three years," said the 118-pounder who held a 6-6 mark with the Irish the past season.

Jensen expressed the predicament all the varsity wrestlers faced.

"They gave me two choices—stay and don't wrestle or leave to somewhere to fulfill my goals as a wrestler." Other hot rocks will remain at the site of the explosion, including freshmen Matt Beaupre and Mike Fox, both starters, and the very promising Brian Murphy (10-5).

Said Fox, a walk-on who earned the 142-pound starting job somewhat unexpectedly, "I knew my wrestling career would end sometime, but I never expected to have the rug pulled out from under me."

"The sport's been a huge part of my life," said Fox who, along with a few other former wrestlers, may consider walking on for the Irish football team.

Those definitely leaving but uncertain about their destination include freshmen Jamie Downey and Harris Brumer. Both are considering Michigan, Northwestern and Wisconsin among other schools.

"I've got mixed emotions," said Brumer, who finished with a 10-2 mark at 167. "I'm just getting to like this place, but I know I'm doing the right thing; I'm just not ready just yet to quit sport right now."

Junior Jamie Boyd will stay put, but plans to use his final year of eligibility elsewhere during graduate school.

The Chicago Tribune and Joseph Tybor contributed to this report.

**Lax**

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Villanova topped both the Irish and Spartans, but the difference appears in competitiveness, where Michigan State fell 11-2 and Notre Dame lost 14-10. Following that same trend is the Ohio-Wesleyan matchups. Notre Dame came out on top 11-5, while Michigan State squeaked out an 8-7 win.

Yet, the Spartans would like nothing more than to reverse their losing ways against Notre Dame. Leading the charge will be midfielder Bobby Robertson and attacker Andy Hilgartner. Robertson has a team 39 points, including 30 goals, and Hilgartner boasts a team high 22 assists and 33 points.

On defense, the Spartans rely on their strength to thwart opponents. This may be to the advantage of Notre Dame who, like Ohio State, use quickness and ball control to victimize opposing defenses.

The Irish have had the benefit of a week off to prepare for Michigan State, something the Irish have used to their advantage.

"We used the week to really know what they like to do," said defender Petey Senger. "I feel we have the personnel to stop them on defense and be successful on offense."

"Also, Mike Iorio has had time to rest and should be ready for Michigan State," continued Senger referring to the concussion Iorio suffered against Ohio State.

The group had been one of the most productive senior classes in Notre Dame history. Sullivan is the most obvious example, participating in more games than any Irish player (57) and finishing as the school's all-time scoring leader.

Nelson should be well rested after sitting out the Ohio State game. An ejection he received in the April 20 game against Denver drew a one-game suspension.

"We really want the seniors to make the tournament," said Senger. "We don't want their last game to be against Michigan State."

Joining the seniors as on-field leaders will be the usual names. Brian Maycolding leads the midfield attack, while attacker Randy Colley gets most of the attention at that position. If the Irish pull out the win against the Spartans, it will be the second trip to the NCAA tournament in the past three seasons. In 1990, coach Kevin Corrigan took a young Irish squad to the tournament, where they bowed out to Harvard in the first round.

The first 600 people to arrive at the stadium will receive ice cream, and a "Study Break" raffle will be held at halftime. The game set to begin at 7:30 p.m.

**Grace captures lax title**

Observer Staff Report

Last night, Grace Hall beat Stanford Hall 4-0 to claim victory in the Interhall Latrosse Championshio. Grace was paced by Mike McMahon, who scored two goals and also dished out an assist. Joe Martinez and Chris Rosen also had a goal apiece and Sean Hyer preserved the shutout in the goal.
An Open Letter to the University of Notre Dame Community Concerning Child Care

The Give Kids a Chance Coalition is an informal group of faculty, staff and students interested in making Notre Dame truly a family university. This group recently sponsored a signature drive to ascertain the university community support for a child care facility on campus. The response was overwhelmingly positive.

“We, the undersigned, believe that the University of Notre Dame should make broad-based and inclusive child care (for faculty, staff, and students) part of our fundamental mission as a nationally known Catholic institution. The University has no child care policy at the present time. We urge the administration to immediately establish a child care center on campus with operating costs paid by user fees.

Such a center would serve the child care needs of the Notre Dame family.

This facility would assist the University in recruiting and retaining its employees and students.”

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The members of the Give Kids a Chance Coalition are gratified by the strong support of undergraduate students who sponsored a petition campaign in Farley and Siegfried Halls. The following individuals signed a document supporting the establishment of a child care facility on campus.

A Special Note:

The participants in the Give Kids a Chance Coalition wish to express our appreciation for the generosity of the many individuals who donated money to defray the cost of this ad and to the Graduate Student Union for their financial support. We apologize for any misspelling and for the omission over one hundred individuals whose signatures arrived after the creation of this ad.
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Connor defeated; Italy's II Moro beats New Zealand

SAN DIEGO (AP) — Dennis Conner talks a lot about the luck of the Irish. But there's something else that has kept his career alive in the 1992 America's Cup regatta against tough odds, mostly financial.

"I like competing at anything, whether it's sailing or Space Invaders," Conner said Thursday morning before sailing Stars & Stripes against Bill Koch's America's Cup in the defender finals.

"This is my chance to compete against the world's best, most powerful guys," said Conner, skipper of Stars & Stripes. "Everyone's out there against a billionaire — (Raul) Gardini, Koch, (Sir Michael) Fay, who's merely a multi-millionaire, heads the New Zealand challenge.

Conner has some serious competing to do. America's best Stars & Stripes on Thursday to competing to do. America's Cup campaign. America's best, most powerful guys," said Conner, a San Diego native who has been developing sailing intangibles since he was 11. "That's why we've hung in there, probably because of the people. It's certainly not because of the boat.

"People made this," he said. "People made the sails, people fixed the mast. It's a small group of very determined, ex-perienced, dedicated, loyal people." Conner didn't panic through the disasters, Trenkle said.

"People made this," he said. "It was just trying to figure out what to do to go faster," Trenkle recalled. "He was going to people in their respective areas, looking for better sails, a better keel, a lighter mast. He was always saying, 'Let's solve the problem. Let's not die here.'"

Jerry La Dow, executive direc-tor of Team Dennis Conner, agrees. "He's maintained a balanced stability," La Dow said. "He's recognized that we've been operating under certain economic handicaps. He's worked like hell to obtain resources, and accepted what came. He's worked within that framework, as has the whole team."

Conner joined the San Diego Yacht Club at age 11. Besides the America's Cup, he has won several single-design world championships. La Dow remembers the young Conner.

"He gravitated toward the best sailors and was constantly asking them questions and press-ing them," La Dow recalled. "He somehow got on the boat. He was also competitive and dedicated even at the early stage of his life."

Sandy Purdon, the immediate past commodore of the SDYC, which is trustee of the America's Cup, has sailed with and against Conner.

"Dennis just doesn't quit," Purdon said. "He has a tremendous ability to hang in there and do the right thing. He's just a hell of a good sailor." Conner "seems to be able to take a lot of information and assimilate it and come out with the best decision," Purdon said. "Whether it's for a world championship or a local club regatta, he just prepares better than anybody else I've ever known."

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The Sonics appeared to have the game under control with a 105-96 lead. But Golden State, which won 55 games during the regular season, fought back.

The Warriors scored the next 10 points for a 106-105 lead with 3:54 to go. Hardaway broke a 112-112 tie with a free throw with 31.5 seconds remaining, but missed his second free-throw attempt. Kemp scored 21 points for the Sonics, 19 in the first half. Elie added 22 for the Warriors.

The Sonics won their first playoff series since 1995. Golden State scored eight of the last 10 points of the second half, but Seattle came back to take the lead at 78-77 on Johnson's baseline jumper.

SuperSonics knock out Golden State, 119-116

SEATTLE (AP) — Ricky Pierce scored 27 points, and Gary Payton sank three free throws in the final 40 seconds as the Seattle SuperSonics edged Golden State 119-116 to capture their first-round playoff series 3-1 Thursday night.

The Sonics will play the winner of the Utah-Los Angeles Clippers series in the Western Conference semifinals.

Reserve Eddie Johnson added 26 points for Seattle, while Tim Hardaway had 27 points for Golden State.

Pierce made a layup to give the Sonics a 114-113 lead with 39.2 seconds left. After Hardaway missed a short jumper, Payton rebounded and was fouled. Sarunas Marciulionis with 25.9 seconds remaining. Payton made both free throws to give Seattle a 116-113 lead. After Hardaway missed a 3-point shot and Mario Elie missed a 20-footer, Shawn Kemp rebounded the ball for Seattle with 8.5 seconds left and Payton was fouled. Payton made the second of two free-throw attempts, but Marciulionis pulled the Warriors to within a point when he sank a 3-pointer with 4.6 seconds left.

After Hardaway fouled Pierce, he made both free throws for a 119-116 lead with 2.8 seconds to go. Hardaway missed a desperation 3-point shot just in front of the half-court line as the game ended.

RENO, Nev. (AP) — The athletic directors of the Big West Conference have unanimously endorsed adding four independent schools as associate members to strengthen the league's fledgling football program.

The addition of Southeastern Louisiana, Louisiana Tech, Northern Illinois and Arkansas State was approved 6-0 in a conference call on Wednesday and will be acted on formally at the league's meetings May 11-15 in Las Vegas.

"This definitely will strengthen the league," Nevada athletic director Chris Ault said. "It's going to happen. We'll definitely finalize it in Las Vegas. It's just a matter of ironing out a few items."
Larry Nance, shown here against Miami's Ronny Seikaly, scored 16 points for the Cavaliers as they eliminated the Nets from the playoffs.

**Chicagoland Derailed Ryan Express**

Chicago (AP) — Nolan Ryan was wild in his return from leg injuries, allowing seven runs, five hits and five walks in 2 1-3 innings Thursday night as the Texas Rangers lost to a Chicago White Sox 12-1. Ryan, activated from the disabled list on Thursday and making his first appearance since opening day, also struck out three, raising his record career total to 5,519.

The runs were the most Ryan had given up since July 25, 1990, against the New York Yankees. He made 64 pitches, just 28 for strikes.

Ryan, 45, has been recovering from a strained left calf muscle, but a sore right calf muscle and a sore right Achilles tendon. "I feel great," he said before the game. "I'm sure they'll be a pitching limitation, but it will vary if I have a long inning against any easy innings." But he didn't have any easy innings. The Indians tripled in the first and scored on Steve Sax's grounder for a 1-0 lead.

Ryan allowed two runs in the second when George Bell singled and stole second, Ron Karkovice walked and Ryan hit him run-scoring singles.

Ryan walked Robin Ventura and Frank Thomas in the third, and Bell's single loaded the bases. Ventura scored for a 4-1 lead when Pat Paqua singled out on a wild pitch, and Ryan reloaded the bases by walking Karkovice.

Floyd Bannister then relieved and got Lance Johnson to ground back to the mound, but Grebeck hit a three-run double, and Karkovice scored on a wild pitch.

After the Mets regained the lead at 79-78, Cleveland took the lead for good with six consecutive points, including two jumpers by Nance. The closest the Nets came after that was 84-82, and the Cavs ended the game by scoring eight of the last 12 points.

New Jersey led by 10 in the first minute of the second half before Daugherty scored nine points during a 22-13 spurt that pulled the Cavaliers to 63-62, the closest they got in the first three periods after the Nets started the game with an 8-0 run.

But Coleman, who scored nine of his 11 third-quarter points in a span of 2:42, helped New Jersey rebuild the margin to eight before Nance's rebound dunk made it 73-67 with 34 seconds left.

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Ariazi given tough position at Derby

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (AP) — Now there's another reason to call Ariazi a superhorse if he wins the Kentucky Derby on Saturday.

Ariazi drew the 18th post position in a 19-horse field in Thursday's entries, and only one horse, a longshot Gato Del Sol in 1982 — has ever won from that spot.

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   Notre Dame Athletic Director Dick Rosenthal announced that wrestling is being discontinued as a varsity sports offering at the University effective with the end of the 1991-1992 season. April 13, 1992

2. "Irish get in finale, upset Gators, 39-28"
   The green-clad and underdog Notre Dame football team upset the third-ranked Florida Gators in the USF&G Sugar Bowl, 39-28. Game MVP Jerome Bettis scored three touchdowns to lead the Irish. January 15, 1992

3. "DiLucia climbs to Volvo rankings' summit"
   After being ranked in every Volvo Tennis/Collegiate Ranking during his four years at Notre Dame, Irish senior David DiLucia finally became the top-ranked collegiate tennis player. April 22, 1992

4. "Irish, Cavs to battle for NIT title"
   The Notre Dame men's basketball team concluded its unlikely march in post-season play, reaching the finals of the NIT where they eventually fell to Virginia in overtime. April 1, 1992

5. "Irish teams ready for post-season"
   Both the men's and women's basketball teams prepared for post-season play. The 14-14 men received an NIT berth, while the women won the MCC title and received an automatic NCAA bid. March 17, 1992

6. "Women booters gain first national ranking at 16th"
   The Notre Dame women's soccer team opened the season with a 10-0-2 record and gained their first ever national ranking. October 15, 1991

7. "Notre Dame's Mike McWilliams named All-American"
   Sophomore Mike McWilliams placed 17th at the NCAA Championship Cross Country meet to earn all American honors. November 26, 1991

8. "Notre Dame plays host to NCAAs"
   Notre Dame hosted the NCAA Fencing Championships for the seventh time. The Irish placed fourth overall at the meet and Notre Dame's James Talaferso was named to the All-American team. March 20, 1992

9. "Women's hoops loses top freshmen"
   Freshmen Michelle Marciniak and Audrey Gomez announced they were transferring from the University. Marciniak decided to go to Tennessee, while Gomez reversed her decision and will stay at Notre Dame. March 25, 1992

10. "Men shock #2 UCLA in thriller"
    The Notre Dame men's basketball team pulled off one of the biggest upsets in the history of the Joyce ACC, knocking off previously unbeaten UCLA, 84-71. February 24, 1992

Editor's Note: Mike Scrudato and John Rock served as editors for this section. Selections were made by members of The Observer Sports department.
Softball splits two with tough Blue Demons

By JIM VOGL
Assistant Sports Editor

Winless in their last five games, the Notre Dame softball team finally gained some momentum before defending their Midwestern Collegiate Conference championship crown.

The Irish broke out of a hitting slump, pounding out ten hits against DePaul starter Kim Blackmore, to get the 2-0 win in the Windy City.

The Blue Demons took the first game, 1-0, on a shutout by Suzanne Wiegnar, who allowed just two hits.

"DePaul's one of the best teams in the Midwest," said Notre Dame coach Brian Boulac. "For us to go in and split two, that's a big boost for us. We haven't been winning those one-run games."

Notre Dame, currently 5-3 in the MCC, will need to win both games against conference foe Dayton, today at 3:30 at Alumni Stadium, to get the 2-0 win on the season against seven losses, while entering the contest with a tiny 1.26 ERA.

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The Irish best in last year's finals, stands on top of the conference at 7-3.

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Irish first baseman Stephanie Pinter collected two RBI's as the Irish salvaged a split in Thursday's games against the DePaul Blue Demons.

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Irish baseball triumphs over E. Michigan, 6-1

BY JENNY MARTEN
Associate Sports Editor

On a perfect afternoon for baseball, the 24th-ranked Notre Dame baseball team (30-12) extended its win streak to six games with a 6-1 win over Eastern Michigan (15-23) yesterday at Jake Kline Field.

"It was a good win," said Notre Dame coach Pat Murphy. "Our pitching has kept us in every game so far. Tom Price was throwing strikes. He has rebounded after struggling early in the season."

Price (5-1) earned the victory on the mound with 7 2/3 innings of work giving up one earned run on five hits. The lefty struck out four Eagle batters in the game while only walking one.

"It was a pretty good outing for me," said Price. "I was able to get ahead on batters all day."

Big hitters Eric Danapilis and Joe Binkiewicz only had one hit apiece, but scored all six of the Irish runs. Eastern Michigan pitchers Matt Hammett (3-4) and Shawn Winston served up twelve walks collectively; Danapilis and Binkiewicz collected three walks apiece in the game.

In the first inning, Danapilis singled and Binkiewicz took a Hammett fastball deep to right for the two-run homer. The Irish added another run in the third when Binkiewicz and Danapilis walked. Cory Mee advanced both into scoring position with a sacrifice to set up Steve Verduzco's RBI. Verduzco hit a grounder that Danapilis beat out for the run.

Notre Dame increased its lead to five in the sixth as the Eagle offense faltered.

"Tom pitched a great game, but it makes it easier when the other team’s not scoring," said Mee.

In the sixth, Danapilis and Binkiewicz walked again this time setting up Mee’s run-scoring single which brought Danapilis across the plate. Pinch hitter Adam Maisano’s long drive was snagged by centerfielder Mike Wosley, but the Eagles couldn’t touch Bob Lisanti’s double which scored Binkiewicz.

Freshman Bob Lisanti had an RBI single to help the Irish to a 6-1 win over E. Michigan at Jake Kline Field and this weekend Notre Dame travels to Detroit Mercy for a four-game Midwestern Collegiate Conference series. The Irish will be lucky to keep the win streak alive through the weekend.

“Detroit-Mercy always plays tough,” said Murphy. “And the conditions will be adverse.”

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Red Wings Cap Big Comeback

DETROIT (AP) — The Detroit Red Wings, behind the dramatic goaltending of Tim Cheveldae, became only the ninth team in NHL history to overcome a 3-1 deficit when they eliminated the Minnesota North Stars with a 5-2 victory in the seventh game of the Norris Division semifinals Thursday night.

Detroit will open a best-of-seven series against the Chicago Blackhaws on Saturday night at Joe Louis Arena for the division title.

It was the second time the Red Wings had overcome a 3-1 deficit to win a playoff series. They rallied to oust Toronto in the 1978 division finals.

Sergei Fedorov, Alan Kerr and Gerard Gallant each scored in the second period to take the Red Wings to a 3-0 lead. Bob Probert and Shawn Burr scored in the third period.

Brian Bellows stopped Cheveldae's string of scoreless playoff minutes, which included shutouts in Games 5 and 6, at 1:48:36 with a third-period power play. Minnesota's Mike Craig closed out the scoring with 51 seconds left in the game.

Minnesota goalie Jon Casey, whose hot hand took the surprising North Stars all the way to the Stanley Cup finals a year ago, also played well. But he was no match for the determined Red Wings, who finished first in the division.

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**ND lax seeks NCAA berth vs. Michigan St.**

**By GEORGE DOHRMANN**

Sports Writer

All eyes will be on Moose Krause Stadium this evening as the Notre Dame and Michigan State lacrosse teams square off to determine the NCAA tournament West Regional bid.

The winner of the matchup received the automatic bid to the tournament, which carries an automatic 12th seed.

The Irish are riding a nine-game win streak, dating back to a March 18 win over Lake Forest. The Spartans haven’t been as successful, losing four straight including 12-11 setback at the hands of Big 10 rival Ohio State on Wednesday, four days after the Irish manhandled the Buckeyes, 12-6.

The Irish and Spartans have shared numerous opponents other than the Buckeyes this season. Two of the most highly regarded being Ohio-Wesleyan and Villanova.

**Women head to Muncie again**

**By JOSEF EVANS**

Sports Writer

The Notre Dame women’s track and field team heads back to familiar ground this weekend.

For the second week in a row they will be competing at Ball State University in Muncie.

The competition will be strong, with four other area conferences competing — Miami (Ohio), Indiana State, Western Michigan and host Ball State.

“It will be competitive,” assured freshman Stefanie Jensen, but she was confident that the Irish could perform well.

Surprisingly enough, in a sport which stresses individual accomplishment, she felt teamwork was the key to success this weekend.

“There are four Irish (runners) in my event. If we all run together and set a quick pace, we have a good chance to dominate the race.”

The Irish are seeking their first Final Four appearance in the 3000 meter race, along with Diana Bradley, Lisa Gorski, and Maureen Kelly.

Jensen will be leading the way for these women, as she competed in the first-place showing in the event at last week’s invitationals. However, she felt her performance was not all that it seemed.

“My time wasn’t that great. Everyone was holding back because of the weather, so people were just running for a good place.”

Indeed, the most important factor in the women’s success at this meet may be beyond their... see TRACK/page 35

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Captain Ryan Mihalco will lead the men’s track team at the Central Collegiate Conference meet at Krause Stadium on Saturday.

**Men host Cent. Collegiates**

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After a seven-weeks on the road, it included stops in Florida, Texas and Iowa, the Notre Dame men’s track team will find itself in a special place for this weekend’s meet — home.

Notre Dame plays host to the Central Collegiate Conference Championships this Saturday, and the Irish are happy to be there.

Head coach Joe Piane discussed the advantages of running at home.

“It’s a real positive for the kids to run in front of their friends, and, in some cases, their parents. Plus, there’s the added fact that we don’t have to travel.”

Senior co-captain Brian Peppard added another plus to the Irish list.

“Since it’s the last home meet it will help motivate the seniors, it’s kind of exciting. They will want to run their last meet at Notre Dame the best they possibly can.”

Hosting the Central Collegiates has its disadvantages, however. These include running against nine-time defending champions Eastern Michigan.

“Wrestle the Hurons beatement”

“I’m not sure if they can,” mused Coach Piane. “They’re like competing against the Chinese Army. They have so many good kids.”

Other teams to watch out for, according to Piane, are Michigan and Michigan State.

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**Alleged NCAA violations hit regrouping wrestlers**

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A bombshell hit the Notre Dame wrestling team on April 10th, and just as its fragments were finally beginning to settle in, another hit. One big piece, 177-pound sophomore J.J. McGrew was involved in the latest development.

According to the Chicago Tribune, McGrew, who will most likely land at Oklahoma State, about an hour away from his hometown of Cleveland, Okla., was allegedly involved in NCAA violations when he was being recruited out of high school in 1988.

The accusations were by former Irish wrestler Mark Moore, who said McGrew used University facilities while attending Holy Cross College in 1989-90, and lived with an assistant coach Rick Stewart for several months, a charge which Stewart denied.

According to the Tribune, Notre Dame Athletic Director Dick Rosenthal said the University investigated the matter, found violations NCAA rules by doing so, but the workouts did not occur during formal practices.

No evidence was found that McGrew lived with Stewart. McGrew could not be reached to comment on the allegations, but was contacted earlier about his move to Oklahoma State.

“I’m looking forward to the warm weather and seeing some old faces,” said McGrew, already a two-time NCAA finalist participant.

Two of those, coaches John Smith and Kenny Monday, are Olympic champs who will be going for the gold this summer in Barcelona, Spain.

“The hardest thing is leaving my friends here,” said McGrew, who will now settle for his second choice out of high school. “Oklahoma State is one of the two best programs in the country... see MATS/page 28